

STATE OF TEXAS	§	CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
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COUNTY OF BEXAR	§	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This Agreement is entered into by and between the City of San Antonio, a Texas Municipal Corporation (hereinafter referred to as “City”), acting by and through the Health Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (“Metro Health”) and San Antonio Nexus Connection, (hereinafter referred to as “CONTRACTOR”), both of which may be referred to herein collectively as the “Parties.”

The Parties hereto severally and collectively agree, and by the execution hereof are bound, to the mutual obligations herein contained and to the performance and accomplishment of the tasks hereinafter described.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Policy and Civic Engagement (PaCE) Office supports cross-sector partnerships and promotes equitable health outcomes through policy and systems change initiatives; and

WHEREAS, in alignment with Metro Health's SA Forward priorities and the Public Health Accreditation Board requirements (PHAB), the Health Equity Network was established to transform unfit and fractured systems to achieve equitable health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, this is done by fostering collaboration and accountability with people who have lived experience in the system, people implementing practices within the system, and people who lend their influence to shift resources, policy, and power within and across systems; and

WHEREAS, recently, the opioid crisis came into sharp focus within the City of San Antonio as the region’s overdose rate began to increase; and

WHEREAS, in a significant move to combat this epidemic, the City of San Antonio and Bexar County have secured unprecedented funding from pharmaceutical companies' settlements for their part in fueling the opioid crisis; and

WHEREAS, these funds are earmarked for a comprehensive approach to tackle opioid misuse, supporting prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery efforts (the Project); and

WHEREAS, the City believes it is in the best interest of the City for CONTRACTOR to provide services critical to the success of the Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements stated herein, the Parties agree as follows:

I. PURPOSE/DEFINITIONS

The purpose of this Agreement is to establish the terms and conditions under which CONTRACTOR will provide City with certain specified services. This Agreement shall also establish the City's and CONTRACTOR's obligations, costs, and the manner and method of payment for provided services.

As used in this Agreement, the following terms shall have meanings as set out below:

“City” is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors and assigns.

“CONTRACTOR” is defined in the preamble of this Agreement and includes its successors.

“Director” shall mean the director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (“Metro Health”).

“Project or Program” shall mean the general scope of services of this Agreement as well as the overall objectives and goal of the City’s use of Opioid Settlement Funds.

“Opioid Settlement Funds” (Settlement Funds) shall mean funds the City of San Antonio has secured from unprecedented funding from pharmaceutical companies' settlements for their part in fueling the opioid crisis

II. TERM

2.1 Unless sooner terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the term of this Agreement shall commence on August 1, 2025 and shall terminate on July 31, 2026. At City’s option, this Agreement may be renewed under the same terms and conditions for two (2) additional one-year period(s). Renewals shall be in writing and signed by Director or designee, without further action by the San Antonio City Council, subject to and contingent upon appropriation of funding, therefor.

2.2 CONTRACTOR further agrees and understands that the City expects to pay all obligations of this Agreement from the City’s Settlement Funds. Accordingly, if funding is not received by City in a sufficient amount to pay any of City’s obligations under the terms of this Agreement, then upon written notice by City to CONTRACTOR of such lack of funding, this Agreement will terminate and neither City nor CONTRACTOR will have any further obligations hereunder. Lack of funding is not and shall not be considered a breach of this Agreement. Payment for services performed by CONTRACTOR through the effective date of termination shall be made pursuant to Article VII herein.

III. CONTRACTOR SERVICES

3.1 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide the services described in this Article III entitled Scope of Services in exchange for the compensation described in Article IV. Compensation. CONTRACTOR agrees to perform the following services:

3.1.1 Crafting SUD Outreach and Engagement Guidelines: CONTRACTOR shall conduct an outreach and engagement practices scan via a needs assessment within San Antonio and the state, including the following stakeholders: 1) individuals engaging in outreach and engagement (i.e., recovery support specialists, street outreach workers, harm reduction workers, community engagement workers); 2) leadership in organizations and individuals in local government who will be implementing standardized guidelines; and 3) funders and payors who fund outreach and engagement.

a. By January 31, 2026, CONTRACTOR shall submit a final report identifying gaps in training, standardization needs, professional development opportunities, areas for service improvement, best practices and guidelines in usage in other localities and cities.

b. By April 30, 2026, CONTRACTOR shall finalize Outreach and Engagement Toolkit providing standardized certification, training, and best practice recommendations.

3.1.2 Lead Implementation: CONTRACTOR shall design workshops, technical assistance protocols, a partnership plan with Outreach and Engagement Coalition. Certification courses and trainings to be facilitated by either 1) existing courses and trainings, such as the Recovery Service Peer Support Certification offered by Perforce; 2) CONTRACTOR as the subject matter experts; or 3) created/sourced from existing offerings.

a. By April 30, 2026, CONTRACTOR shall submit a plan for workshops, training sessions, and technical assistance to support local agencies in implementing the standardized outreach and engagement guidelines.

b. By July 31, 2026, CONTRACTOR shall host at least 1 workshop, training sessions, and/or technical assistance to support local agencies in implementing the standardized outreach and engagement guidelines.

3.1.3 Formative evaluation: CONTRACTOR shall design a tool to assess the implementation, effectiveness, and efficiency of outreach and engagement guidelines and training and education.

a. By July 31, 2026, CONTRACTOR shall submit a report on finalized evaluation tool and plan for engaging with organizations contacted across the life of the project to conduct needs assessment.

b. CONTRACTOR shall disseminate findings and share progress through presentations at two major conferences within the contract term to share success stories, best practices, and future goals.

3.1.4 Substance Use Symposium: CONTRACTOR shall organize and host a HIV / Substance Use syndemic symposium highlighting the progress, outcomes, and guidelines of the proposed project. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate the inclusion of the Outreach and Engagement Coalition by organizing listening sessions, focus groups and presentations by the organizations.

a. By July 31, 2026, CONTRACTOR shall organize and conduct an in-person event for all individuals and organizations involved in outreach and engagement including but not limited to; local city/county government officials, first responders, substance use/mental health treatment providers, to disseminate project outcomes and recommendations and coalition building.

3.1.5 Utilize current infrastructure: CONTRACTOR shall participate and co-facilitate quarterly meetings backboned by Metro Health dedicated to the exchange of best practices and data collection techniques for harm reduction and substance use disorder. These meetings will be utilized to support them in carrying out deliverables outlined above.

- a. CONTRACTOR shall contribute to strengthening de-identified aggregate data collection and sharing efforts.
- b. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that all relevant data submissions to Metro Health backboned community of practice are completed in accordance with the dates co-created at meetings.
- c. CONTRACTOR shall utilize recognized platforms for data submission.

3.1.6 Monthly Check-ins: CONTRACTOR shall meet monthly with Metro Health staff to ensure contract compliance and for Metro Health staff to provide technical assistance/coaching support related to strengthening referral systems.

- a. CONTRACTOR shall complete onboarding packet and participate in quarterly End Stigma End HIV Alliance meetings to ensure syndemic alignment.

3.1.7 Renewal due dates. If this Agreement is renewed, the deliverable month/day due dates set out above shall be the same during a renewal term.

3.2 All work performed by CONTRACTOR hereunder shall be performed to the satisfaction of City, as determined by the Director. The determination made by Director shall be final, binding and conclusive on all Parties hereto. City shall be under no obligation to pay for any work performed by CONTRACTOR, which is not satisfactory to Director. City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement, in accordance with Article VII. Termination, in whole or in part, should CONTRACTOR's work not be satisfactory to Director; however, City shall have no obligation to terminate and may, withhold payment for any unsatisfactory work, as stated herein, even should City elect not to terminate. All scope of services and work to be performed by CONTRACTOR hereunder is outlined hereinabove and no additional work or services other than described herein shall be requested or expected by the City, without prior approval and agreement of all Parties, as evidenced in writing and approved by CONTRACTOR.

IV. COMPENSATION TO CONTRACTOR

4.1 In consideration of CONTRACTOR's performance in a satisfactory and efficient manner, as determined solely by the Director, of all services, activities, duties and responsibilities set forth in this agreement, City agrees to pay CONTRACTOR an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 as set out in section 4.2.

4.2 CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices for \$25,000.00 each during the term of the Agreement on October 31st, January 31st, April 30th and July 31st with detailed description of services rendered consistent with the schedule for payment. City shall pay CONTRACTOR within thirty days of receipt of the invoice.

4.3 Invoices shall be submitted to: Accounts.Payable@sanantonio.gov and copy to SAMHD.Invoices@sanantonio.gov to City of San Antonio, Accounts Payable, P.O. Box 839976, San Antonio, Texas 78283-3976, with a copy to City of San Antonio, San Antonio Metropolitan Health District, P.O. Box 839966, San Antonio, Texas 78283-3966.

4.4 No additional fees or expenses of CONTRACTOR shall be charged by CONTRACTOR nor be payable by City. The Parties hereby agree that all compensable expenses of CONTRACTOR have been provided for in the total payment to CONTRACTOR as specified in Section 4.1 above. Total payments to CONTRACTOR cannot exceed that amount set forth in Section 4.1 above, without prior approval and agreement of all Parties.

4.5 Final acceptance of work products and services require written approval by City, as determined by the Director as the City's approval official. Payment will be made to CONTRACTOR following written approval of the final work products and services by Director. City shall not be obligated or liable under this Agreement to any party, other than CONTRACTOR, for the payment of any monies or the provision of any goods or services.

4.6 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide any and all documentation required for inclusion in any report concerning the use of Settlement funds. All services required under this Agreement will be performed to City's satisfaction, and City will not be liable for any payment under this Agreement for services which are unsatisfactory and which have not been approved by City. The payment for services provided hereunder will not be paid until required reports, data, and documentation have been received and approved by the City, as determined by the Director as the City's approval official.

V. OWNERSHIP OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DOCUMENTS

5.1 Any and all writings, documents or information in whatsoever form and character produced by CONTRACTOR pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement is the exclusive property of CITY; and no such writing, document or information shall be the subject of any copyright or proprietary claim by CONTRACTOR.

5.2 CONTRACTOR understands and acknowledges that as the exclusive owner of any and all such writings, documents and information, CITY has the right to use all such writings, documents and information as CITY desires, without restriction.

5.3 Any and all work product that is copyrightable under United States copyright law is deemed to be "work made for hire" owned by City, as provided by Title 17 of the United States Code. To the extent that work product does not qualify as a "work made for hire" under applicable federal law, CONTRACTOR hereby irrevocably assigns and transfers to City, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the work product, including any and all intellectual property rights embodied therein or associated therewith, and in and to all works based upon, derived from, or incorporating the work product, and in and to all income, royalties, damages, claims and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect thereto, and in and to all causes of action, either in law or in equity for past, present or future infringement based on the copyrights, and in and to all rights corresponding to the foregoing. CONTRACTOR agrees to execute all papers and to perform such other acts as City may deem necessary to secure for City

or its designee the rights herein assigned.

5.4 In accordance with Texas law, CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that all local government records as defined in Chapter 201, Section 201.003 (8) of the Texas Local Government Code created or received in the transaction of official business or the creation or maintenance of which were paid for with public funds are declared to be public property and subject to the provisions of Chapter 201 of the Texas Local Government Code and Subchapter J, Chapter 441 of the Texas Government Code.

The term “local government record” as used in this document means any document, paper, letter, book, map, photograph, sound or video recording, microfilm, magnetic tape, electronic medium, or other information recording medium, regardless of physical form or characteristic and regardless of whether public access to it is open or restricted under the laws of the state, created or received by local government or any of its officials or employees pursuant to law including an ordinance, or in the transaction of official business.

5.5 Thus, CONTRACTOR agrees that no such local government records produced by or on the behalf of CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract shall be the subject of any copyright or proprietary claim by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that all local government records, as described herein, produced in the course of the work required by this Agreement, shall belong to and be the property of City and shall be made available to the City at any time. CONTRACTOR further agrees to make such records available to City at any time and to turn over all such records to City upon termination of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR agrees that it shall not, under any circumstances, release any records created during the course of performance of this Agreement to any entity without the written permission of the Director, unless required to do so by a court of competent jurisdiction. CONTRACTOR shall notify City of such request as set forth in Article VIII, of this Agreement.

5.6 CONTRACTOR shall comply with the City’s Data Governance Administrative Directive 7.12 and Data Security Administrative Directive 7.3a in the same manner required of City employees, interns, volunteers and trainees, for City Data arising out of, resulting from or related to Vendor’s activities under such contract. As between City and CONTRACTOR, City is and will remain the sole and exclusive owner of all right, title, and interest in and to all City Data, including all intellectual property rights relating thereto, subject only to any limited license expressly granted to CONTRACTOR, and CONTRACTOR is and will remain the sole and exclusive owner of all right, title, and interest in and to the CONTRACTOR materials, including all intellectual property rights relating thereto, subject only to the authorization and license granted to City.

5.7 CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations governing documents and ownership, access and retention.

VI. REQUESTS FOR AND RETENTION OF RECORDS

6.1 CONTRACTOR and its subcontractors, if any, shall properly, accurately and completely maintain all documents, papers, and records, and other evidence pertaining to the services rendered hereunder (hereafter referred to as “documents”), and shall make such materials available to the

City at their respective offices, at all reasonable times and as often as City may deem necessary during the Agreement period, including any extension or renewal hereof, and the record retention period established herein, for purposes of audit, inspection, examination, and making excerpts or copies of same by City and any of its authorized representatives.

6.2 CONTRACTOR shall retain any and all documents produced as a result of services provided hereunder for a period of four (4) years (hereafter referred to as "retention period") from the date of termination of the Agreement, or as may be required by the grantor of funds. If, at the end of the retention period, there is litigation or other questions arising from, involving or concerning this documentation or the services provided hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall retain the records until the resolution of such litigation or other such questions. CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that City shall have access to any and all such documents at any and all times, as deemed necessary by City, during said retention period. City may, at its election, require CONTRACTOR to return said documents to City prior to or at the conclusion of said retention.

6.3 The Public Information Act, Government Code Section 552.021, requires the City to make public information available to the public. Under Government Code Section 552.002(a), public information means information that is collected, assembled or maintained under a law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business: 1) by a governmental body; or 2) for a governmental body and the governmental body owns the information or has a right of access to it. Therefore, if CONTRACTOR receives inquiries regarding documents within its possession pursuant to this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the requests forward such requests to City for disposition. If the requested information is confidential pursuant to state or federal law, the CONTRACTOR shall submit to City the list of specific statutory authority mandating confidentiality no later than three (3) business days of CONTRACTOR's receipt of such request. For the purposes of communicating and coordinating with regard to public information requests, all communications shall be made to the designated public information liaison for each Party. Each Party shall designate in writing to the other Party the public information liaison for its organization and notice of a change in the designated liaison shall be made promptly to the other Party.

VII. TERMINATION

7.1 For purposes of this Agreement, "termination" of this Agreement shall mean termination by expiration of the Agreement term as stated in Article II. Term, or earlier termination pursuant to any of the provisions hereof.

7.2 Termination Without Cause. This Agreement may be terminated by City upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice, which notice shall be provided in accordance with Article VIII. Notice.

7.3 Termination For Cause. Upon written notice, which notice shall be provided in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, City may terminate this Agreement as of the date provided in the notice, in whole or in part, upon the occurrence of one (1) or more of the following events, each of which shall constitute an Event for Cause under this Agreement:

7.3.1 The sale, transfer, pledge, conveyance or assignment of this Agreement without prior approval, as provided in Article XII. Assignment and Subcontracting; or

7.3.2 Any material breach of the terms of this Agreement as determined solely by City.

7.4 Defaults With Opportunity for Cure. Should CONTRACTOR default in the performance of this Agreement in a manner stated in this section 7.4 below, same shall be considered an event of default. City shall deliver written notice of said default specifying such matter(s) in default. CONTRACTOR shall have ten (10) business days after receipt of the written notice, in accordance with Article VIII. Notice, to cure such default. If CONTRACTOR fails to cure the default within such ten-day cure period, City shall have the right, without further notice, to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part as City deems appropriate, and to contract with another contractor to complete the work required in this Agreement. City shall also have the right to offset the cost of said new Agreement with a new contractor against CONTRACTOR's future or unpaid invoice(s), subject to the duty on the part of City to mitigate its losses to the extent required by law. Any one or more of the following events shall be deemed an "event of default" hereunder:

7.4.1 The sale, transfer, pledge, conveyance or assignment of this Agreement without prior approval, as provided in Article XV. Assignment and Subcontracting;

7.4.2 Bankruptcy or selling substantially all of Contractor's assets;

7.4.3 Failing to perform or failing to comply with any material covenant herein required;

7.4.4 Performing the services unsatisfactorily, as determined by the Director;

7.4.5 The failure to meet reporting requirements regarding the use of the Settlement funds requirements as set out and determined by City; or

7.4.6 Notification of any investigation, claim or charge by a local, state or federal agency involving fraud, theft or the commission of a felony.

7.5 Termination By Law. If any state or federal law or regulation is enacted or promulgated which prohibits the performance of any of the duties herein, or, if any law is interpreted to prohibit such performance, this Agreement shall automatically terminate as of the effective date of such prohibition.

7.6 Regardless of how this Agreement is terminated, CONTRACTOR shall affect an orderly transfer to City or to such person(s) or firm(s) as the City may designate, at no additional cost to City, all completed or partially completed documents, papers, records, charts, reports, and any other materials or information produced as a result of or pertaining to the services rendered by CONTRACTOR, or provided to CONTRACTOR, hereunder, regardless of storage medium, if so requested by City, or shall otherwise be retained by CONTRACTOR in accordance with Article VI. Requests for and Retention of Records. Any record transfer shall be completed within thirty (30) calendar days of a written request by City and shall be completed at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense. Payment of compensation due or to become due to CONTRACTOR is conditioned upon delivery of all such documents, if requested by City.

7.7 Within thirty (30) calendar days of the earlier of the following: the effective date of completion, or termination or expiration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall submit to City its claims, in detail, for the monies owed by City for services performed under this Agreement through the effective date of termination. Failure by CONTRACTOR to submit its claims within

said thirty (30) calendar days shall negate any liability on the part of City and constitute a Waiver by CONTRACTOR of any and all right or claims to collect moneys that CONTRACTOR may rightfully be otherwise entitled to for services performed pursuant to this Agreement.

7.8 Upon the effective date of expiration or termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall cease all operations of work being performed by CONTRACTOR or any of its subcontractors pursuant to this Agreement.

7.9 Termination not sole remedy. In no event shall City's action of terminating this Agreement, whether for cause or otherwise, be deemed an election of City's remedies, nor shall such termination limit, in any way, at law or at equity, City's right to seek damages from or otherwise pursue CONTRACTOR for any default hereunder or other action.

7.10 City shall pay CONTRACTOR for conforming goods delivered and services provided prior to the date of termination, offset by any amounts due and owing from the CONTRACTOR to the City.

VIII. NOTICE

8.1 Except where the terms of this Agreement expressly provide otherwise, any election, notice or communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and deemed to have been duly given if and when delivered personally (with receipt acknowledged), or three (3) days after depositing same in the U.S. mail, first class, with proper postage prepaid, or upon receipt if sending the same by certified mail, return receipt requested, or upon receipt when sent by a commercial courier service (such as Federal Express or DHL Worldwide Express) for expedited delivery to be confirmed in writing by such courier, at the addresses set forth below or to such other address as either party may from time to time designate in writing.

If to City, to:

City of San Antonio
Attn: Director
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District
100 W. Houston, 14th floor
San Antonio, Texas 78205

If intended for CONTRACTOR, to:

San Antonio Nexus Connection
Attn: Kyle Lozada, Operations Manager
8527 Village Dr. Ste 212
San Antonio, TX 78207

IX. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

9.1 CONTRACTOR acknowledges that funds for this Agreement are from funds provided to

the City through the Settlement funds. CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all terms and conditions associated with said funds as directed by the City in order to enable City to comply with its obligations related to the use of such funds.

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XI. CONFIDENTIALITY

11.1 CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain in confidence all information pertaining to the Project or other information and materials prepared for, provided by, or obtained from City including, without limitation, reports, information, project evaluation, project designs, data, other related information (collectively, the “Confidential Information”) and to use the Confidential Information for the sole purpose of performing its obligations pursuant to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall protect the Confidential Information and shall take all reasonable steps to prevent the unauthorized disclosure, dissemination, or publication of the Confidential Information. If disclosure is required (i) by law or (ii) by order of a governmental agency or court of competent jurisdiction, CONTRACTOR shall give the Director prior written notice that such disclosure is required with a full and complete description regarding such requirement. CONTRACTOR shall establish specific procedures designed to meet the obligations of this Article, including, but not limited to execution of confidential disclosure agreements, regarding the Confidential Information with CONTRACTOR’s employees and subcontractors prior to any disclosure of the Confidential Information. This Article shall not be construed to limit the City’s or its authorized representatives’ right to obtain copies, review and audit records or other information, confidential or otherwise, under this Agreement. Upon termination or expiration of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall return to City all copies of materials related to the Project, including the Confidential Information. All confidential obligations contained herein (including those pertaining to information transmitted orally) shall survive the termination of this Agreement. The Parties shall ensure that their respective employees, agents, and contractors are aware of and shall comply with the aforementioned obligations.

11.2 In addition, CONTRACTOR must take reasonable measures to safeguard protected personally identifiable information and other information the funding agency or City designates as sensitive or the City considers sensitive consistent with applicable Federal, state, local, and tribal laws regarding privacy and obligations of confidentiality.

XII. INSURANCE

12.1 No later than 30 days before the scheduled services, CONTRACTOR must provide a completed Certificate(s) of Insurance to Metro Health. The certificate must be:

- clearly labeled with the legal name of the contract in the Description of Operations block;
- completed by an agent and signed by a person authorized by the insurer to bind coverage on its behalf (CITY will not accept Memorandum of Insurance or Binders as proof of insurance);
- properly endorsed and have the agent’s signature, and phone number.

12.2 Certificates may be mailed or sent via email, directly from the insurer's authorized representative. CITY shall have no duty to pay or perform under this Agreement until such certificate and endorsements have been received and approved by Metro Health. No officer or employee, other than CITY'S Risk Manager, shall have authority to waive this requirement.

12.3 If the City does not receive copies of insurance endorsement, then by executing this Agreement, CONTRACTOR certifies and represents that its endorsements do not materially alter or diminish the insurance coverage for the Contract.

12.4 The City's Risk Manager reserves the right to modify the insurance coverages, their limits, and deductibles prior to the scheduled event or during the effective period of this Agreement based on changes in statutory law, court decisions, and changes in the insurance market which presents an increased risk exposure.

12.5 CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect for the duration of this Agreement, at CONTRACTOR's sole expense, insurance coverage written on an occurrence basis, by companies authorized and admitted to do business in the State of Texas and with an A.M. Best's rating of no less than A- (VII), in the following types and for an amount not less than the amount listed below. If the CONTRACTOR claims to be self-insured, they must provide a copy of their declaration page so the CITY can review their deductibles:

<i>INSURANCE TYPE</i>	<i>LIMITS</i>
*1. Workers' Compensation *2. Employers' Liability	Statutory \$500,000/\$500,000/\$500,000
Commercial General Liability Insurance to include coverage for the following: Premises/Operations Products/Completed Operations Personal/Advertising Injury *d. Independent Contractors	For Bodily Injury and Property Damage \$500,000 per occurrence; \$1,000,000 general aggregate
*If Applicable	

12.6 CONTRACTOR must require, by written contract, that all subcontractors providing goods or services under this Agreement obtain the same insurance coverages required of CONTRACTOR and provide a certificate of insurance and endorsement that names CONTRACTOR and CITY as additional insureds. CONTRACTOR shall provide CITY with subcontractor certificates and endorsements the subcontractor starts work.

12.7 If a loss results in litigation, then the CITY is entitled, upon request and without expense to the City, to receive copies of the policies, declaration page and all endorsements. CONTRACTOR must comply with such requests within 10 days by submitting the requested insurance documents to the CITY at the following address:

City of San Antonio

ATTN: San Antonio Metropolitan Health District
P.O. Box 839966
San Antonio, TX 78283-3966

12.8 CONTRACTOR's insurance policies must contain or be endorsed to contain the following provisions:

- Name CITY and its officers, officials, employees, volunteers, and elected representatives as additional insureds by endorsement, as respects operations and activities of, or on behalf of, the named insured performed under contract with CITY. The endorsement requirement is not applicable for workers' compensation and professional liability policies.
- Endorsement that the "other insurance" clause shall not apply to CITY where CITY is an additional insured shown on the policy. CITY's insurance is not applicable in the event of a claim.
- Contractor shall submit a waiver of subrogation to include, workers' compensation, employers' liability, general liability and auto liability policies in favor of CITY; and
- Provide 30 days advance written notice directly to CITY of any suspension, cancellation, non-renewal or materials change in coverage, and not less than ten (10) calendar days advance written notice for nonpayment of premium.

12.9 Within five (5) calendar days of a suspension, cancellation, material change in coverage, or non-renewal of coverage, CONTRACTOR shall provide a replacement Certificate of Insurance and applicable endorsements to CITY. CITY shall have the option to suspend CONTRACTOR's performance should there be a lapse in coverage at any time during this Agreement. Failure to provide and to maintain the required insurance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement.

12.10 In addition to any other remedies CITY may have upon CONTRACTOR's failure to provide and maintain any insurance or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time required, CITY may order CONTRACTOR to stop work and/or withhold any payment(s) which become due to CONTRACTOR under this Agreement until CONTRACTOR demonstrates compliance with requirements.

12.11 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as limiting the extent to which CONTRACTOR may be held responsible for payments of damages to persons or property resulting from CONTRACTOR's or its subcontractors' performance of the work covered under this Agreement.

12.12 CONTRACTOR's insurance shall be deemed primary and non-contributory with respect to any insurance or self-insurance carried by City for liability arising out of operations under this Agreement.

12.13 The insurance required is in addition to and separate from any other obligation contained in this Agreement and no claim or action by or on behalf of City shall be limited to insurance coverage provided.

12.14 CONTRACTOR and any subcontractor are responsible for all damage to their own equipment and/or property result from their own negligence.

XIII. INDEMNIFICATION

13.1 CONTRACTOR covenants and agrees to FULLY INDEMNIFY, DEFEND and HOLD HARMLESS, the CITY and the elected officials, employees, officers, directors, volunteers and representatives of the CITY, individually and collectively, from and against any and all costs, claims, liens, damages, losses, expenses, fees, fines, penalties, proceedings, actions, demands, causes of action, liability and suits of any kind and nature, including but not limited to, personal or bodily injury, death and property damage, made upon the CITY directly or indirectly arising out of, resulting from or related to CONTRACTOR'S activities under this Agreement, including any acts or omissions of CONTRACTOR, any agent, officer, director, representative, employee, consultant or subcontractor of CONTRACTOR, and their respective officers, agents employees, directors and representatives while in the exercise of the rights or performance of the duties under this Agreement. The indemnity provided for in this paragraph shall not apply to any liability resulting from the negligence of CITY, its officers or employees, in instances where such negligence causes personal injury, death, or property damage. IN THE EVENT CONTRACTOR AND CITY ARE FOUND JOINTLY LIABLE BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, LIABILITY SHALL BE APPORTIONED COMPARATIVELY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS, WITHOUT, HOWEVER, WAIVING ANY GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AVAILABLE TO THE CITY UNDER TEXAS LAW AND WITHOUT WAIVING ANY DEFENSES OF THE PARTIES UNDER TEXAS LAW.

13.2 The provisions of this INDEMNITY are solely for the benefit of the parties hereto and not intended to create or grant any rights, contractual or otherwise, to any other person or entity. CONTRACTOR shall advise the CITY in writing within 24 hours of any claim or demand against the CITY or CONTRACTOR known to CONTRACTOR related to or arising out of CONTRACTOR's activities under this AGREEMENT and shall see to the investigation and defense of such claim or demand at CONTRACTOR's cost. The CITY shall have the right, at its option and at its own expense, to participate in such defense without relieving CONTRACTOR of any of its obligations under this paragraph.

13.3 Defense Counsel - City shall have the right to select or to approve defense counsel to be retained by CONTRACTOR in fulfilling its obligation hereunder to defend and indemnify City, unless such right is expressly waived by City in writing. CONTRACTOR shall retain City approved defense counsel within seven (7) business days of City's written notice that City is invoking its right to indemnification under this Agreement. If CONTRACTOR fails to retain Counsel within such time period, City shall have the right to retain defense counsel on its own behalf, and CONTRACTOR shall be liable for all costs incurred by City. City shall also have the right, at its option, to be represented by advisory counsel of its own selection and at its own expense, without waiving the foregoing.

13.4 Employee Litigation – In any and all claims against any party indemnified hereunder by any employee of CONTRACTOR, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by

any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation herein provided shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for CONTRACTOR or any subcontractor under worker's compensation or other employee benefit acts.

XIV. SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (SBEDA)

14.1 The City has adopted a Small Business Economic Development Advocacy Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2016-05-19-0367 and as amended, also referred to as "SBEDA" or "the SBEDA Program"), which is posted on the City's Economic Development Department (EDD) website page and is also available in hard copy format upon request to the City. Contractor agrees to comply with the applicable SBEDA Ordinance Compliance Provisions attached and incorporated in this Agreement as **Exhibit I**, which Contractor understands are governed by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance, as well as by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance Policy & Procedure Manual established by the CITY pursuant to this Ordinance, and any subsequent amendments to this referenced SBEDA Ordinance and SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual. Unless defined in a contrary manner herein, terms used in the SBEDA provisions shall be subject to the same expanded definitions and meanings as given those terms in the SBEDA Ordinance and as further interpreted in the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual.

XV. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING

15.1 CONTRACTOR shall supply qualified personnel as may be necessary to complete the work to be performed under this Agreement. Persons retained to perform work pursuant to this Agreement shall be the employees or subcontractors of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR, its employees or its subcontractors shall perform all necessary work.

15.2 Any work or services approved for subcontracting hereunder shall be subcontracted only by written contract and, unless specific waiver is granted in writing by the City, shall be subject by its terms to each and every provision of this Agreement. Compliance by subcontractors with this Agreement shall be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. City shall in no event be obligated to any third party, including any subcontractor of CONTRACTOR, for performance of services or payment of fees. Any references in this Agreement to an assignee, transferee, or subcontractor, indicate only such an entity as has been approved by the Director.

15.3 Except as otherwise stated herein, CONTRACTOR may not sell, assign, pledge, transfer or convey any interest in this Agreement, nor delegate the performance of any duties hereunder, by transfer, by subcontracting or any other means, without the consent of the Director. As a condition of such consent, if such consent is granted, CONTRACTOR shall remain liable for completion of the services outlined in this Agreement in the event of default by the successor CONTRACTOR, assignee, transferee or subcontractor.

15.4 Any attempt to transfer, pledge or otherwise assign this Agreement without said written approval, shall be void ab initio and shall confer no rights upon any third person. Should CONTRACTOR assign, transfer, convey, delegate, or otherwise dispose of any part of all or any part of its right, title or interest in this Agreement, City may, at its option, cancel this Agreement

and all rights, titles and interest of CONTRACTOR shall thereupon cease and terminate, in accordance with Article VII. Termination, notwithstanding any other remedy available to City under this Agreement. The violation of this provision by CONTRACTOR shall in no event release CONTRACTOR from any obligation under the terms of this Agreement, nor shall it relieve or release CONTRACTOR from the payment of any damages to City, which City sustains as a result of such violation.

XVI. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

16.1 CONTRACTOR covenants and agrees that it is an independent contractor and not an officer, agent, servant or employee of City; that CONTRACTOR shall have exclusive control of and exclusive right to control the details of the work performed hereunder and all persons performing same, and shall be responsible for the acts and omissions of its officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants; that the doctrine of *respondeat superior* shall not apply as between City and CONTRACTOR, its officers, agents, employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants, and nothing herein shall be construed as creating the relationship of employer-employee, principal-agent, collaborators or joint venturers between City and CONTRACTOR. The parties hereto understand and agree that the City shall not be liable for any claims which may be asserted by any third party occurring in connection with the services to be performed by the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement and that the CONTRACTOR has no authority to bind the City.

XVII. NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

17.1 Non-Discrimination. As a party to this contract, CONTRACTOR understands and agrees to comply with the Non-Discrimination Policy of the City of San Antonio contained in Chapter 2, Article X. of the City Code and further, shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status, age or disability, unless exempted by state or federal law, or as otherwise established herein.

17.2 The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all federal, State, or local laws, rules, and orders prohibiting discrimination, and shall not engage in employment practices which have the effect of discriminating against any employee or applicant for employment, and will take affirmative steps to ensure that applicants are employed and employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, handicap, or political belief or affiliation. Consistent with the foregoing, CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity", as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented by regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 60. Additionally, CONTRACTOR certifies that it will comply fully with the following nondiscrimination, minimum wage and equal opportunity provisions, including but not limited to:

- a) Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended;
- b) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended;
- c) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended;
- d) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended; (Title 20 USC sections 1681-1688);

- e) Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended;
- f) Equal Pay Act of 1963, P.L. 88-38;
- g) American with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq. as amended;
- h) Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. section 8102); and
- i) All applicable regulations implementing the above laws.

XVIII. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

18.1 The Charter of the City of San Antonio and the City of San Antonio Code of Ethics prohibit a City officer or employee, as those terms are defined in Section 2-52 of the Code of Ethics, from having a direct or indirect financial interest in any contract with the City. An officer or employee has a “prohibited financial interest” in a contract with the City or in the sale to the City of land, materials, supplies or service, if any of the following individual(s) or entities is a party to the contract or sale:

- a City officer or employee; his or her spouse, sibling, parent, child or other family member within the first degree of consanguinity or affinity;
- an entity in which the officer or employee, or his or her parent, child or spouse directly or indirectly owns (i) 10 percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the entity, or (ii) 10 percent or more of the fair market value of the entity; or
- an entity in which any individual or entity listed above is (i) a subcontractor on a City contract, (ii) a partner or (iii) a parent or subsidiary entity.

18.2 Pursuant to the subsection above, CONTRACTOR warrants and certifies, and this Agreement is made in reliance thereon, that by contracting with the City, CONTRACTOR does not cause a City employee or officer to have a prohibited financial interest in the Contract. CONTRACTOR further warrants and certifies that it has tendered to the City a Contracts Disclosure Statement in compliance with the City’s Ethics Code.

XIX. AMENDMENTS

19.1 Except where the terms of this Agreement expressly provide otherwise, any alterations, additions or deletions to the terms hereof, shall be effected by amendment, in writing, executed by both City and CONTRACTOR. The Director may execute contract amendments on behalf of the City without further action by the San Antonio City Council, in the following circumstances: (A) an increase in contract funding in an amount not exceeding (a) twenty-five percent (25%) of the total amount of this contract or (b) \$25,000.00 , whichever is the lesser amount: provided, however, that the cumulative total of all amendments increasing funding and executed without City Council approval pursuant to this subsection during the term of this contract shall not exceed the foregoing amount; (B) no cost extensions up to two years; (C) budget adjustments authorized by the funding agency so long as the total dollar amount of the budget remains unchanged; (D) modifications to the Scope of Work due to the adjustment described in subsection (A) of this Section or for any other reason, so long as the terms of the amendment are reasonably within the parameters set forth in the original Scope of Work; and (E) changes in state or federal regulations mandated by the funding agency.

XX. SEVERABILITY

20.1 If any clause or provision of this Agreement is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable under present or future federal, state or local laws, including but not limited to the City Charter, City Code, or ordinances of the City of San Antonio, Texas, then and in that event it is the intention of the parties hereto that such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other clause or provision hereof and that the remainder of this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision was never contained herein; it is also the intention of the parties hereto that in lieu of each clause or provision of this Agreement that is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, there be added as a part of the Agreement a clause or provision as similar in terms to such invalid, illegal or unenforceable clause or provision as may be possible, legal, valid and enforceable.

XXI. LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS

21.1 CONTRACTOR warrants and certifies that CONTRACTOR and any other person designated to provide services hereunder has the requisite training, license and/or certification to provide said services, and meets all competence standards promulgated by all other authoritative bodies, as applicable to the services provided herein.

XXII. COMPLIANCE

22.1 CONTRACTOR shall provide and perform all services required under this Agreement in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

XXIII. NONWAIVER OF PERFORMANCE

23.1 Unless otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, a waiver by either Party of a breach of any of the terms, conditions, covenants or guarantees of this Agreement shall not be construed or held to be a waiver of any succeeding or preceding breach of the same or any other term, condition, covenant or guarantee herein contained. Further, any failure of either Party to insist in any one or more cases upon the strict performance of any of the covenants of this Agreement, or to exercise any option herein contained, shall in no event be construed as a waiver or relinquishment for the future of such covenant or option. In fact, no waiver, change, modification or discharge by either party hereto of any provision of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been made or shall be effective unless expressed in writing and signed by the party to be charged. In case of City, such changes must be approved by the City Council, as described in Article XIX. Amendments. No act or omission by a Party shall in any manner impair or prejudice any right, power, privilege, or remedy available to that Party hereunder or by law or in equity, such rights, powers, privileges, or remedies to be always specifically preserved hereby.

XXIV. LAW APPLICABLE

24.1 **THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE CONSTRUED UNDER AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS AND ALL OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES CREATED HEREUNDER ARE PERFORMABLE IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS.**

24.2 Unless this Agreement provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between City and CONTRACTOR arising out of or relating to this Agreement or its breach will be decided in a court of competent jurisdiction. Venue of any court action brought directly or indirectly as a result of this Agreement shall be in Bexar County, Texas.

24.3 The Parties hereto expressly agree that, in the event of litigation, each party hereby waives its right to payment of attorneys' fees.

XXV. LEGAL AUTHORITY

25.1 The signer of this Agreement for CONTRACTOR represents, warrants, assures and guarantees that he has full legal authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of CONTRACTOR and to bind CONTRACTOR to all of the terms, conditions, provisions and obligations herein contained.

XXVI. PARTIES BOUND

26.1 This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and successors and assigns, except as otherwise expressly provided for herein.

XXVII. CAPTIONS

27.1 The captions contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, and in no way limit or enlarge the terms and/or conditions of this Agreement.

XXVIII. PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES BOYCOTTING ISRAEL

28.1 Texas Government Code §2271.002 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it:

- (1) does not boycott Israel; and
- (2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract.

This section only applies to a contract that:

- (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and
- (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the

governmental entity.

"Boycott Israel" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

"Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit. This term does not include a sole proprietorship.

28.2 By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not boycott Israel, and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. City hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

XXIX.

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES ENGAGED IN BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION

29.1 Texas Government Code §2252.152 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code §§2270.0201 or 2252.153. Contractor hereby certifies that it is not identified on such a list and that it will notify City should it be placed on such a list while under contract with City. City hereby relies on Contractor's certification. If found to be false, or if Contractor is identified on such list during the course of its contract with City, City may terminate this Agreement for material breach.

XXX.

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES BOYCOTTING CERTAIN ENERGY COMPANIES

30.1 This section only applies to a contract that:

- (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees;
and
- (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity.

"Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit. This term does not include a sole proprietorship.

"Boycott energy company" means, without an ordinary business purpose, refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations with a company because the company: (A) engages in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and does not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law; or (B) does business with a company described in (A).

30.2 Texas Government Code §2274 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not boycott energy companies; and (2) will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract.

30.3 By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract. City hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

XXXI.

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTS WITH COMPANIES THAT DISCRIMINATE AGAINST FIREARM AND AMMUNITION INDUSTRIES

31.1 This section only applies to a contract that:

- (1) is between a governmental entity and a company with 10 or more full-time employees; and
- (2) has a value of \$100,000 or more that is to be paid wholly or partly from public funds of the governmental entity.

"Company" means a for-profit organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, or limited liability company, including a wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company, or affiliate of those entities or business associations that exists to make a profit. This term does not include a sole proprietorship.

"Discriminate against a firearm entity or firearm trade association": (A) means, with respect to the entity or association, to: (i) refuse to engage in the trade of any goods or services with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; (ii) refrain from continuing an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association; or (iii) terminate an existing business relationship with the entity or association based solely on its status as a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

31.2 Texas Government Code §2274 provides that a governmental entity may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services, unless the contract contains a written verification from the company that it: (1) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and (2) will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association.

31.3 By submitting an offer to or executing contract documents with the City of San Antonio, Company hereby verifies that it does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association; and will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. City hereby relies on Company's verification. If found to be false, City may terminate the contract for material breach.

XXXII.
ENTIRE AGREEMENT

32.1 This Agreement, together with its authorizing ordinance and its exhibits, if any, constitute the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto and contain all of the terms and conditions agreed upon. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind the parties hereto, unless same be in writing, dated subsequent to the date hereto, and duly executed by the parties, in accordance with Article XIX. Amendments.

EXECUTED and **AGREED** to this the _____ day of _____, 2025.

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

**SAN ANTONIO NEXUS
CONNECTION**



Claude A. Jacob, DrPH, MPH
Health Director
San Antonio Metropolitan Health District

Frederic Courtois
San Antonio Nexus Connection
Executive Director

Date

04/10/2025

Approved as to Form:

City Attorney

**SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ADVOCACY (SBEDA) PROGRAM
Opioid Settlement - Development of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Harm Reduction
Guidelines
Exhibit 1**

A. SBEDA Program

The CITY has adopted a Small Business Economic Development Advocacy Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2016-05-19-0367 and as amended, also referred to as “SBEDA” or “the SBEDA Program”), which is posted on the City’s Economic Development Department (EDD) website page and is also available in hard copy format upon request to the CITY. The SBEDA Ordinance Compliance Provisions contained in this section of the Agreement are governed by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance, as well as by the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance Policy & Procedure Manual established by the CITY pursuant to this Ordinance, and any subsequent amendments to this referenced SBEDA Ordinance and SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual that are effective as of the date of the execution of this Agreement. Unless defined in a contrary manner herein, terms used in this section of the Agreement shall be subject to the same expanded definitions and meanings as given those terms in the SBEDA Ordinance and as further interpreted in the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual.

B. SBEDA Program Compliance – Affirmative Procurement Initiatives

The CITY has applied the following contract-specific Affirmative Procurement Initiatives (API) to this contract. CONTRACTOR hereby acknowledges and agrees that the selected API requirement shall also be extended to any change order or subsequent contract modification and, absent SBO’s granting of a waiver, that its full compliance with the following API terms and conditions are necessary to attain satisfactory performance under this Agreement:

Please note that failure to meet the subcontracting API requirements (when applicable) will deem the response non-responsive. To be SBEDA eligible a Prime or Subcontractor must be certified as a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) through the South Central Texas Regional Certification Agency AND must be headquartered or have a significant business presence in the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area. The guidelines and steps to be certified by SCTRCA are available at: <https://sctrca.org/get-certified/>

SBE Prime Contract Program. In accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance, Section III. D. 5. (a), this contract is being awarded pursuant to the SBE Prime Contract Program, and as such, RESPONDENT affirms that if it is presently certified as an SBE (see *Small Business Enterprise* definition), RESPONDENT agrees not to subcontract more than 49% of the contract value to a non-SBE firm.

M/WBE Prime Contract Program. In accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance, Section III. D. 6. (d), this contract is being awarded pursuant to the M/WBE Prime Contract Program and as such, RESPONDENT affirms that if it is presently certified as an M/WBE (see *Minority/Women*

Business Enterprise definition), RESPONDENT agrees not to subcontract more than 49% of the contract value to a non-M/WBE firm.

The Subcontractor/Supplier Utilization Plan which CONTRACTOR submitted to City with its response for this contract and that contains the names of the certified SBE, M/WBE and AABE Subcontractors to be used by CONTRACTOR on this contract, the respective percentages of the total prime contract dollar value to be awarded and performed by each SBE, M/WBE and AABE Subcontractor, and documentation including a description of each SBE, M/WBE and AABE Subcontractor's scope of work and confirmation of each SBE, M/WBE and AABE Subcontractor's commitment to perform such scope of work for an agreed upon dollar amount is hereby attached and incorporated by reference into the material terms of this Agreement.

In the absence of a waiver granted by the SBO, failure of a Prime CONTRACTOR to attain this SBE, M/WBE and AABE subcontracting goal as required in the solicitation shall render its response non-Responsive. Also, in the absence of a waiver granted by the SBO, failure of a Prime CONTRACTOR to attain a subcontracting goal for SBE, M/WBE and AABE participation in the performance of its contract or otherwise comply with the provisions of this API shall be considered a material breach of contract, grounds for termination of that contract with the City and shall be subject to any penalties and sanctions available under the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance, its contract with the City or by law.

Subcontractor Diversity: The City of San Antonio strongly encourages each bidder to be as inclusive as possible, and to reach out to all segments of the M/WBE community. While the relative availability of ready, willing, and able firms within various ethnic and gender categories will vary significantly from contract to contract based upon the particular trades that are involved, overall in the San Antonio **Professional Services** industry, as reflected in the City's Centralized Vendor Registration system, African-American owned firms represent approximately 2.45% of available subcontractors, Hispanic-American firms represent approximately 8.52%, Asian-American firms represent approximately 0.65%, Native American firms represent approximately 0.14%, and Women-owned firms represent approximately 4.21% of available **Professional Services** subcontractors.

C. Solicitation Response and Contract Requirements and Commitment

Respondent understands and agrees that the following provisions shall be requirements of this solicitation and the resulting contract, if awarded, and by submitting its Response, Respondent commits to comply with these requirements.

Waiver Request - A Respondent may request, for good cause, a full or partial Waiver of a **specified subcontracting goal** included in this solicitation by submitting the *Subcontracting Goal- Waiver Request* form (available at <http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx>) with its solicitation response. The Respondent's Waiver request must fully document Subcontractor unavailability despite the Respondent's good faith efforts to comply with the goal. Such documentation shall include all good faith efforts made by Respondent including, but not limited to, which Subcontractors were contacted (with phone numbers, e-mail addresses and mailing addresses, as applicable) and the method of contact. **Late Waiver requests will not be considered.** More information on the good faith effort criteria is available within the

Subcontracting Goal – Waiver Request Evaluation Criteria at
<http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx>.

Exception Request - A Respondent may, for good cause, request an Exception to the application of the SBEDA Program if the Respondent submits the *Exception to SBEDA Program Requirements Request* form (available at <http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Forms.aspx>) with its solicitation response. The Respondent's Exception request must fully document why: (1) the value of the contract is below the \$50,000 threshold for application of the SBEDA Program; or (2) no commercially-useful subcontracting opportunities exist within the contract scope of work; or (3) the type of contract is outside of the scope of the SBEDA Ordinance. **Late Exception Requests will not be considered.**

D. SBEDA Program Compliance – General Provisions

As CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the terms of the CITY's SBEDA Ordinance, as amended, together with all requirements, guidelines, and procedures set forth in the CITY's SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual are in furtherance of the CITY's efforts at economic inclusion and, moreover, that such terms are part of CONTRACTOR's scope of work as referenced in the CITY's formal solicitation that formed the basis for contract award and subsequent execution of this Agreement, these SBEDA Ordinance requirements, guidelines and procedures are hereby incorporated by reference into this Agreement, and are considered by the Parties to this Agreement to be material terms. CONTRACTOR voluntarily agrees to fully comply with these SBEDA program terms as a condition for being awarded this contract by the CITY. Without limitation, CONTRACTOR further agrees to the following terms as part of its contract compliance responsibilities under the SBEDA Program:

1. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate fully with the Small Business Office and other CITY departments in their data collection and monitoring efforts regarding CONTRACTOR's utilization and payment of Subcontractors, S/M/WBE firms, and HUBZone firms, as applicable, for their performance of Commercially Useful Functions on this contract including, but not limited to, the timely submission of completed forms and/or documentation promulgated by SBO, through the Originating Department, pursuant to the SBEDA Policy & Procedure Manual, timely entry of data into monitoring systems, and ensuring the timely compliance of its subcontractors with this term;
2. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate fully with any CITY or SBO investigation (and shall also respond truthfully and promptly to any CITY or SBO inquiry) regarding possible non-compliance with SBEDA requirements on the part of CONTRACTOR or its subcontractors or suppliers;
3. CONTRACTOR shall permit the SBO, upon reasonable notice, to undertake inspections as necessary including, but not limited to, contract-related correspondence, records, documents, payroll records, daily logs, invoices, bills, cancelled checks, and work product, and to interview Subcontractors and workers to determine whether there has been a violation of the terms of this Agreement;

4. CONTRACTOR shall notify the SBO, in writing on the Change to Utilization Plan form, through the Originating Department, of any proposed changes to CONTRACTOR's Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan for this contract, with an explanation of the necessity for such proposed changes, including documentation of Good Faith Efforts made by CONTRACTOR to replace the Subcontractor / Supplier in accordance with the applicable Affirmative Procurement Initiative. All proposed changes to the Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan including, but not limited to, proposed self-performance of work by CONTRACTOR of work previously designated for performance by Subcontractor or supplier, substitutions of new Subcontractors, terminations of previously designated Subcontractors, or reductions in the scope of work and value of work awarded to Subcontractors or suppliers, shall be subject to advanced written approval by the Originating Department and the SBO.
5. CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Originating Department and SBO of any transfer or assignment of its contract with the CITY, as well as any transfer or change in its ownership or business structure.
6. CONTRACTOR shall retain all records of its Subcontractor payments for this contract for a minimum of four years or as required by state law, following the conclusion of this contract or, in the event of litigation concerning this contract, for a minimum 7of four years or as required by state law following the final determination of litigation, whichever is later.
7. In instances wherein the SBO determines that a Commercially Useful Function is not actually being performed by the applicable S/M/WBE or HUBZone firms listed in a CONTRACTOR's Subcontractor / Supplier Utilization Plan, the CONTRACTOR shall not be given credit for the participation of its S/M/WBE or HUBZone Subcontractor(s) or joint venture partner(s) toward attainment of S/M/WBE or HUBZone firm utilization goals, and the CONTRACTOR and its listed S/M/WBE firms or HUBZone firms may be subject to sanctions and penalties in accordance with the SBEDA Ordinance.
8. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the CITY will not execute a contract or issue a Notice to proceed for this project until the CONTRACTOR for this project have registered and/or maintained active status in the CITY's Centralized Vendor Registration System (CVR), and CONTRACTOR has represented to CITY which primary commodity codes each Subcontractor will be performing under for this contract. CITY recommends all Subcontractors to be registered in the CVR.

For more information please see link: <http://www.sanantonio.gov/SBO/Compliance>

E. Violations, Sanctions and Penalties

In addition to the above terms, CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that it is a violation of the SBEDA Ordinance and a material breach of this Agreement to:

1. Fraudulently obtain, retain, or attempt to obtain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining, retaining, or attempting to obtain or retain Certification status as an SBE, MBE, WBE,

M/WBE, HUBZone firm, Emerging M/WBE, or ESBE for purposes of benefitting from the SBEDA Ordinance;

2. Willfully falsify, conceal or cover up by a trick, scheme or device, a material fact or make any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or make use of any false writing or document, knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry pursuant to the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance;
3. Willfully obstruct, impede or attempt to obstruct or impede any authorized official or employee who is investigating the qualifications of a business entity which has requested Certification as an S/M/WBE or HUBZone firm;
4. Fraudulently obtain, attempt to obtain or aid another person fraudulently obtaining or attempting to obtain public monies to which the person is not entitled under the terms of the SBEDA Ordinance; and
5. Make false statements to any entity that any other entity is, or is not, certified as an S/M/WBE for purposes of the SBEDA Ordinance.

Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be subject to the provisions of Section III. E. 13. of the SBEDA Ordinance and any other penalties, sanctions and remedies available under law including, but not limited to:

1. Suspension of contract
2. Withholding of funds
3. Rescission of contract based upon a material breach of contract pertaining to S/M/WBE Program compliance
4. Refusal to accept a response or proposal
5. Disqualification of CONSULTANT or other business firm from eligibility for providing goods or services to the City for a period not to exceed two years (upon City Council approval).

F. Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy Compliance

As a condition of entering into this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that it has complied with throughout the course of this solicitation and contract award process, and will continue to comply with, the CITY's Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy, as described under Section III. C. 1. of the SBEDA Ordinance. As part of such compliance, CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation or, on the basis of disability or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring or commercial treatment of Subcontractors, vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers, nor shall the company retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination. The company shall provide equal opportunity for Subcontractors, vendors and suppliers to participate in all of its public sector and private sector subcontracting and supply opportunities, provided that nothing contained in this clause shall prohibit or limit otherwise lawful efforts to remedy the effects of marketplace discrimination that have occurred or are occurring in the CITY's Relevant Marketplace. The company understands and agrees that a material violation

of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement and may result in termination of this Agreement, disqualification of the company from participating in CITY contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party. CONTRACTOR's certification of its compliance with this Commercial Nondiscrimination Policy as submitted to the CITY pursuant to the solicitation for this contract is hereby incorporated into the material terms of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall incorporate this clause into each of its Subcontractor and supplier agreements entered into pursuant to CITY contracts.

G. Prompt Payment

Upon execution of this contract by CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall be required to submit to CITY accurate progress payment information with each invoice regarding each of its Subcontractors, including HUBZone Subcontractors, to ensure that the CONTRACTOR's reported subcontract participation is accurate. CONTRACTOR shall pay its Subcontractors in compliance with Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code (the "Prompt Payment Act") within ten days of receipt of payment from CITY. In the event of CONTRACTOR's noncompliance with these prompt payment provisions, no final retainage on the Prime Contract shall be released to CONTRACTOR, and no new CITY contracts shall be issued to the CONTRACTOR until the CITY's audit of previous subcontract payments is complete and payments are verified to be in accordance with the specifications of the contract.

H. Definitions

Affirmative Procurement Initiatives (API) – Refers to various S/M/WBE Program tools and Solicitation Incentives that are used to encourage greater prime and subcontract participation by S/M/WBE firms, including bonding assistance, evaluation preferences, subcontracting goals and joint venture incentives. (For full descriptions of these and other S/M/WBE Program tools, see Section III.D of Attachment A to the SBEDA Ordinance). To be eligible for the benefits of race- and gender-conscious APIs as provided in the SBEDA Ordinance, M/WBE firms must also satisfy the size standards for being a Small Business Enterprise or SBE as defined herein.

Annual Aspirational Goal – a non-mandatory annual aspirational percentage goal for overall M/WBE Prime and subcontract participation in City of San Antonio contracts is established each year for Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contract Industry Categories. This Annual Aspirational Goal is to be set (and thereafter adjusted) by the Goal Setting Committee (GSC) based upon the M/WBE availability by industry in accordance with the City's 2015 Disparity Study findings, along with relative M/WBE availability data to be collected by the City through its CVR system, and the utilization of M/WBEs. Any adjusted Annual Aspirational Goals for a given industry should not exceed the Expected Availability for award dollar weights as found in the 2015 Disparity Study. Annual Aspirational Goals are not to be routinely applied to individual contracts, but are intended to serve as a benchmark against which to measure the overall effectiveness of the S/M/WBE Program on an annual basis, and to gauge the need for future adjustments to the degree of aggressiveness of remedies being applied under the Program. Percentage Goals for S/M/WBE participation may be

established by the GSC on a contract-by-contract basis based upon similar data and analysis for the particular goods and services being purchased in a given contract.

Award – the final selection of a Respondent for a specified Prime Contract or subcontract dollar amount. Contract awards are made by the City to Prime Contractors or vendors and by Prime Contractors or vendors to Subcontractor or sub-vendors, usually pursuant to a solicitation process. (Contract awards are distinguished from contract payments, the first, only reflect the anticipated dollar amounts the second, reflect actual dollar amounts that are paid to a contractor under an awarded contract).

Best Value Contracting – a purchasing solicitation process through which the Originating Department may evaluate factors other than price. Evaluation criteria for selection may include a Respondent's previous experience and quality of product or services procured, and other factors identified in the applicable statute.

Centralized Vendor Registration System (CVR) – a mandatory electronic system of hardware and software programs by which the City recommends all prospective Respondents and Subcontractors that are ready, willing and able to sell goods or services to the City to register. All businesses awarded a City contract shall be required to register in the CVR. The CVR system assigns a unique identifier to each registrant that is then required for the purpose of submitting solicitation responses and invoices, and for receiving payments from the City. The CVR-assigned identifiers are also used by the Goal Setting Committee for measuring relative availability and tracking utilization of SBE and M/WBE firms by Industry or commodity codes, and for establishing Annual Aspirational Goals and Contract-by-Contract Subcontracting Goals.

Certification – the process by which the Small Business Office (SBO) staff determines a firm to be a bona-fide small, minority-, women-owned, or emerging small business enterprise. Emerging Small Business Enterprises (ESBEs) are automatically eligible for Certification as SBEs. Any firm may apply for multiple Certifications that cover each and every status category (e.g., SBE, ESBE, MBE, or WBE) for which it is able to satisfy eligibility standards. The SBO staff may contract these certification services to a regional Certification agency or other entity. For purposes of Certification, the City may accept any firm that is certified by local government entities and other organizations identified herein that have adopted Certification standards and procedures similar to those followed by the SBO, provided the prospective firm satisfies the eligibility requirements set forth in the Ordinance No. 2016-05-19-0367 Section III.E.6.

City – refers to the City of San Antonio, Texas.

Commercially Useful Function – an S/M/WBE firm performs a Commercially Useful Function when it is responsible for execution of the work of the contract and is carrying out its responsibilities by actually performing, staffing, managing and supervising the work involved. To perform a Commercially Useful Function, the S/M/WBE firm must also be responsible, with respect to materials and supplies used on the contract, for negotiating price, determining quantity and quality, ordering the material, and installing (where applicable) and paying for the material itself. To determine whether an S/M/WBE firm is performing a Commercially Useful Function, an evaluation must be performed of the amount of work subcontracted, normal industry practices, whether the amount the S/M/WBE firm is to be paid under the contract is commensurate with the

work it is actually performing and the S/M/WBE credit claimed for its performance of the work, and other relevant factors. Specifically, an S/M/WBE firm does not perform a Commercially Useful Function if its role is limited to that of an extra participant in a transaction, contract or project through which funds are passed in order to obtain the appearance of meaningful and useful S/M/WBE participation, when in similar transactions in which S/M/WBE firms do not participate, there is no such role performed.

Control – the authority of a person or business owner to sign responses to solicitations and contracts, make price negotiation decisions, sell or liquidate the business and have the primary authority to direct the day-to-day management and operation of a business enterprise without interference from others.

Economic Inclusion – efforts to promote and maximize commercial transactions within, between and among all segments of the business population, regardless of race or gender, within the Relevant Marketplace.

Emerging SBE (ESBE) – a certified SBE corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or other legal entity for the purpose of making a profit, which is independently owned and operated by Individuals legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories whose annual revenues and number of employees are no greater than 25% of the small business size standards for its industry as established by the U.S. Small Business Administration, and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

Emerging M/WBE – a certified M/WBE firm whose annual revenues and number of employees are no greater than 25% of the small business size standards for its industry as established by the U.S. Small Business Administration, and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

Evaluation Preference – an API that may be applied by the Goal Setting Committee to Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods and Supplies contracts that are to be awarded on a basis that includes factors other than lowest price, and wherein responses that are submitted to the City by S/M/WBE firms may be awarded additional Points in the evaluation process in the scoring and ranking of their proposals against those submitted by other prime Respondents.

Formal Solicitation – an invitation for bids, request for proposals, request for qualifications or other solicitation document issued by a City department for a contract that requires City Council approval, in accordance with the procurement rules adopted by the City Manager or designee through a memorandum issued by the City Manager or designee, an Administrative Directive or a procurement manual issued under the authority of the City Manager or designee, and/or pursuant to statutory requirements.

Goal Setting Committee (GSC) – a committee, or series of committees, appointed and chaired by the City Manager or designee from the Executive Team that includes, at a minimum, the EDD Director or designee, and the Director of Finance or Director of Transportation and Capital Improvements (TCI) or their designees, the Director or designee of the Originating Department (if the Originating Department is neither Finance nor TCI,) all without duplication of designees and

two citizens appointed by City Council who are eligible to vote during the goal setting committee on contracts valued at \$3,000,000 and above. The City Manager or designee may also appoint two ex-officio members of the Small Business Advocacy Committee to serve on any GSC purely in an advisory and non-voting capacity. The GSC establishes S/M/WBE Program Goals for the City of San Antonio (e.g., Annual Aspirational Goals, Contract-by-Contract Subcontracting Goals, and determining which M/WBE segments are eligible for Segmented Subcontracting Goals annually) based upon Industry Categories, vendor availability, project-specific characteristics, and M/WBE utilization. The GSC also makes determinations about which Affirmative Procurement Initiatives (APIs) are to be applied to specific contracts based upon various criteria.

Good Faith Efforts – documentation of the Respondent’s intent to comply with S/M/WBE Program Goals and procedures including, but not limited to, the following: (1) documentation as stated in the solicitation reflecting the Respondent’s commitment to comply with SBE or M/WBE Program Goals as established by the GSC for a particular contract; or (2) documentation of efforts made toward achieving the SBE or M/WBE Program Goals (e.g., solicitations of bids/proposals/qualification statements from all qualified SBE or M/WBE firms listed in the Small Business Office’s directory of certified SBE or M/WBE firms; correspondence from qualified SBE or M/WBE firms documenting their unavailability to perform SBE or M/WBE contracts; documentation of efforts to subdivide work into smaller quantities for subcontracting purposes to enhance opportunities for SBE or M/WBE firms; documentation of a Prime Contractor’s posting of a bond covering the work of SBE or M/WBE Subcontractors; documentation of efforts to assist SBE or M/WBE firms with obtaining financing, bonding or insurance required by the Respondent; and documentation of consultations with trade associations and CONTRACTORS that represent the interests of SBE and/or M/WBEs in order to identify qualified and available SBE or M/WBE Subcontractors.)

HUBZone Firm – a business that has been certified by U.S. Small Business Administration for participation in the federal HUBZone Program, as established under the 1997 Small Business Reauthorization Act. To qualify as a HUBZone firm, a small business must meet the following criteria: (1) it must be owned and Controlled by U.S. citizens; (2) at least 35 percent of its employees must reside in a HUBZone; and (3) its Principal Place of Business must be located in a HUBZone within the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area. [See 13 C.F.R. 126.200 (1999).]

Independently Owned and Operated – ownership of an SBE firm must be direct, independent and by Individuals only. Ownership of an M/WBE firm may be by Individuals and/or by other businesses provided the ownership interests in the M/WBE firm can satisfy the M/WBE eligibility requirements for ownership and Control as specified herein in Section III.E.6. The M/WBE firm must also be Independently Owned and Operated in the sense that it cannot be the subsidiary of another firm that does not itself (and in combination with the certified M/WBE firm) satisfy the eligibility requirements for M/WBE Certification.

Individual – an adult that is of legal majority age.

Industry Categories – procurement groupings for the City of San Antonio inclusive of Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies (i.e., manufacturing, wholesale and retail distribution of commodities). This term may sometimes be referred to as “business categories.”

Joint Venture Incentives – an API that provides inducements for non-SBE and non-M/WBE firms to collaborate with SBE or M/WBE partners in responses to solicitations and performing a Prime Contract to supply goods to, or to perform on behalf of, the City. Joint ventures are manifested by written agreements between two or more Independently Owned and Controlled business firms to form a third business entity solely for purposes of undertaking distinct roles and responsibilities in the completion of a given contract. Under this business arrangement, each joint venture partner shares in the management of the joint venture and also shares in the profits or losses of the joint venture enterprise commensurately with its contribution to the venture. Incentives under this API may include Evaluation Preferences that are tied to the percentage of SBE or M/WBE participation in the joint venture, expedited issuance of building permits and extra contract option years in certain Other Services and Goods & Supplies contracts.

Minority/Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE) – firm that is certified as either a Minority Business Enterprise or as a Women Business Enterprise, and which is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more Minority Group Members and/or women, and that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City of San Antonio.

M/WBE Directory – a listing of M/WBEs that have been certified for participation in the City’s M/WBE Program APIs.

M/WBE Subcontracting Program – an API in which Prime Contractors or vendors are required to make Good Faith Efforts to subcontract a specified percentage of the value of prime contract dollars to certified M/WBE firms. Such subcontracting goals may be set and applied by the GSC on a contract-by-contract basis to those types of contracts that provide subcontract opportunities for performing Commercially Useful Functions wherein:

- (1) There have been ongoing disparities in the utilization of available M/WBE Subcontractors; or
- (2) Race-Neutral efforts have failed to eliminate persistent and significant disparities in the award of prime contracts to M/WBEs in a particular Industry Category or industry segment (e.g., Construction contracts, Professional Services contracts, and Architectural and Engineering contracts), and subcontract opportunities are limited outside of City contracts.

When specified by the GSC, the M/WBE Subcontracting Program may also be required to reflect Good Faith Efforts that a Prime Contractor or vendor has taken (or commits to taking in the case of solicitations that do not include a detailed scope of work or those in which price cannot be considered a factor in evaluation), toward attainment of subcontracting goals for M/WBE firms.

M/WBE Evaluation Preference – an API that the City may apply to requests for proposals or qualifications (RFPs or RFQs) on City Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contracts that are issued pursuant to a Best Value Contracting method or other methods of procurement wherein criteria other than lowest price are factored into the selection process. M/WBEs that submit responses for these kinds of solicitations are awarded additional Points in the scoring of their responses when evaluating and ranking their responses against those submitted by non-minority firms. Where specified in contract specifications as approved by the Goal Setting Committee, the M/WBE Evaluation Preference may

be limited to Emerging M/WBE firms.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) – any legal entity, except a joint venture, that is organized to engage in for-profit transactions, which is certified as being at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more Minority Group Members, and that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City. To qualify as an MBE, the enterprise shall meet the Significant Business Presence requirement as defined herein. Unless otherwise stated, the term “MBE” as used in the SBEDA Ordinance is not inclusive of women-owned business enterprises (WBEs).

Minority Group Members – African-Americans, Hispanic Americans, Asian Americans and Native Americans legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories, as defined below:

African-Americans: Persons with origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic-Americans: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Spanish or Central and South American origin.

Asian-Americans: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent or the Pacific Islands.

Native Americans: Persons having no less than 1/16th percentage origin in any of the Native American Tribes, as recognized by the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs and as demonstrated by possession of personal tribal role documents.

Originating Department – the City department or authorized representative of the City which issues solicitations or for which a solicitation is issued.

Payment – dollars actually paid to Prime Contractors and/or Subcontractors and vendors for City contracted goods and/or services.

Points – the quantitative assignment of value for specific evaluation criteria in the vendor selection process used in some Construction, Architectural & Engineering, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contracts (e.g., up to 20 points out of a total of 100 points assigned for S/M/WBE participation as stated in response to a Request for Proposals).

Prime Contractor – the vendor or contractor to whom a purchase order or contract is issued by the City of San Antonio for purposes of providing goods or services for the City.

Race-Conscious – any business classification or API wherein the race or gender of business owners is taken into consideration (e.g., references to M/WBE programs and APIs that are listed herein under the heading of “Race-Conscious”). To be eligible for the benefits of race- and gender-conscious APIs as provided in this Ordinance, M/WBE firms must also satisfy the size standards for being a Small Business Enterprise or SBE as defined herein.

Race-Neutral – any business classification or API wherein the race or gender of business owners is not taken into consideration (e.g., references to SBE programs and APIs that are listed herein

under the heading of “Race-Neutral”).

Relevant Marketplace – the geographic market area affecting the S/M/WBE Program as determined for purposes of collecting data for the 2015 Disparity Study, and for determining eligibility for participation under various programs established by the SBEDA Ordinance, is defined as the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA), currently including the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina and Wilson.

Respondent – a vendor submitting a bid, statement of qualifications, or proposal in response to a solicitation issued by the City.

Responsible – a firm which is capable in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements and has the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance of contract specifications.

Responsive – a firm’s submittal (bid, response or proposal) conforms in all material respects to the solicitation (Invitation for Bid, Request for Qualifications, or Request for Proposal) and shall include compliance with S/M/WBE Program requirements.

San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA) – also known as the Relevant Marketplace, the geographic market area from which the City’s 2015 Disparity Study analyzed contract utilization and availability data for disparity (currently including the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Kendall, Medina and Wilson).

Segmented M/WBE Goals – the application of multiple goals for M/WBE participation within Annual Aspirational Goals or for M/WBE Subcontracting Goals on an individual City contract wherein an overall combined M/WBE goal is accompanied by subsets of one or more smaller goals. Such segmented goals specifically target the participation of a particular segment of business enterprises owned and Controlled by WBEs or certain Minority Group Members (e.g., African-Americans or Hispanic-Americans) based upon relative availability and significantly greater patterns of underutilization and disparity within an industry as compared to other gender and Minority Group Member categories of M/WBEs. The application of Segmented M/WBE Goals is intended to ensure that those segments of M/WBEs that have been most significantly and persistently underutilized receive a fair measure of remedial assistance.

SBE Directory – a listing of small businesses that have been certified for participation in the City’s SBE Program APIs.

Significant Business Presence – to qualify for this Program, a S/M/WBE must be headquartered or have a *significant business presence* for at least one year within the Relevant Marketplace, defined as: an established place of business in one or more of the eight counties that make up the San Antonio Metropolitan Statistical Area (SAMSA), from which 20% of its full-time, part-time and contract employees are regularly based, and from which a substantial role in the S/M/WBE’s performance of a Commercially Useful Function is conducted. A location utilized solely as a post office box, mail drop or telephone message center or any combination thereof, with no other substantial work function, shall not be construed to constitute a significant business presence.

Small Business Enterprise (SBE) – a corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship or other legal

entity for the purpose of making a profit, which is Independently Owned and Operated by Individuals legally residing in, or that are citizens of, the United States or its territories, and which meets the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) size standard for a small business in its particular industry(ies) and meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein.

Small Business Office (SBO) – the office within the Economic Development Department (EDD) of the City that is primarily responsible for general oversight and administration of the SBEDA Program.

Small Minority Women Business Enterprise Program (S/M/WBE Program) – the combination of SBE Program and M/WBE Program features contained in this Ordinance.

Solicitation Incentives – additional inducements or enhancements in the solicitation process that are designed to increase the chances for the selection of S/M/WBE firms in competition with other firms. Such inducements and enhancements may include such terms as additional contract option years, increased quantities in supply contracts, and evaluation preferences, where not prohibited by law. These solicitation incentives may be applied as appropriate to solicitations, contracts, and letter agreements for Construction, Architecture and Engineering services, Professional Services, Other Services, and Goods & Supplies contracts, including change orders and amendments.

Subcontractor – any vendor or contractor that is providing goods or services to a Prime Contractor in furtherance of the Prime Contractor's performance under a contract or purchase order with the City. A copy of the binding agreement between the Prime Contractor and the Subcontractor shall be submitted prior to the City's issuance of a notice to proceed.

Suspension – the temporary stoppage of an SBE or M/WBE firm's beneficial participation in the City's S/M/WBE Program for a finite period of time due to cumulative contract payments the S/M/WBE firm received during a fiscal year that exceed a certain dollar threshold as set forth in Section III.E.7, or pursuant to the Penalties and Sanctions set forth in Section III.E.13.

Subcontractor/Supplier Utilization Plan – a binding part of this contract agreement which states the CONTRACTOR's commitment for the use of Joint Venture Partners and / or Subcontractors/Suppliers in the performance of this contract agreement, and states the name, scope of work, and dollar value of work to be performed by each of CONTRACTOR's Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors/Suppliers in the course of the performance of this contract, specifying the S/M/WBE Certification category for each Joint Venture partner and Subcontractor/Supplier, as approved by the SBO Manager. Additions, deletions or modifications of the Joint Venture partner or Subcontractor/Supplier names, scopes of work, of dollar values of work to be performed requires an amendment to this agreement to be approved by the EDD Director or designee.

Women Business Enterprises (WBEs) - any legal entity, except a joint venture, that is organized to engage in for-profit transactions, that is certified for purposes of the SBEDA Ordinance as being at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned, managed and Controlled by one or more non-minority women Individuals that are lawfully residing in, or are citizens of, the United States or its territories, that is ready, willing and able to sell goods or services that are purchased by the City and that meets the Significant Business Presence requirements as defined herein. Unless otherwise

stated, the term “WBE” as used in this Ordinance is not inclusive of MBEs.