

**SERIAL 220287-S      PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICES & ADVERTISING**

**DATE OF LAST REVISION: June 22, 2022**

**CONTRACT END DATE: June 30, 2023**

**CONTRACT PERIOD THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023**

TO:                    All Departments

FROM:                Office of Procurement Services

SUBJECT:            Contract for **PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICES & ADVERTISING**

Attached to this letter is published an effective purchasing contract for products and/or services to be supplied to Maricopa County activities as awarded by Maricopa County on **June 22, 2022 (Eff. 07/01/22)**.

All purchases of products and/or services listed on the attached pages of this letter are to be obtained from the vendor holding the contract. Individuals are responsible to the vendor for purchases made outside of contracts. The contract period is indicated above.



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Kevin Tyne, Chief Procurement Officer  
Office of Procurement Services

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Attach

Copy to:            Office of Procurement Services  
                          Juanita Garza, Clerk of the Board

(Please remove Serial 210253-S from your contract notebooks)

ATTACHMENT A

VENDOR INFORMATION AND PRICING

COMPANY NAME:	Phoenix Newspaper Inc
DOING BUSINESS AS (dba):	Arizona Republic
MAILING ADDRESS:	200 E Van Buren St, Phoenix, AZ 85004
REMIT TO ADDRESS:	PO Box 677595, Dallas, TX 75267-7595
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	602-444-7355 option 3
FAX NUMBER:	877-943-0443
WWW ADDRESS:	www.azcentral.com
REPRESENTATIVE NAME:	Tara Hamm
REPRESENTATIVE TELEPHONE NUMBER:	8664318665
REPRESENTATIVE EMAIL ADDRESS	thamm@gannett.com

	YES	NO	REBATE
WILL ALLOW OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES TO PURCHASE FROM THIS CONTRACT:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
WILL ACCEPT PROCUREMENT CARD FOR PAYMENT:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NET 30 DAYS			

Legal Advertising, Per Column Inch				
Title	Unit Price	Qty	UofM	Bidder Notes
FIRST INSERTION	\$0.70	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : 14 LEGAL: .05 DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : NA .05 per line 14 lines per inch
SUBSEQUENT INSERTIONS	\$0.70	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : 14 LEGAL: .05 DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : NA .05 per line 14 lines per inch
Additional Discounts From Base Bid For				
Title		Qty	UofM	Bidder Notes
Camera-Ready Copy	0.00%	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : 14 LEGAL: .05 per line 14 lines per inch DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : NA .05 per line 14 lines per inch

Computer Tape Format	0.00%	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : 14 LEGAL: .05 per line 14 lines per inch DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : NA .05 per line 14 lines per inch
E-MAIL	0.00%	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch: 14 LEGAL: .05 per line 14 lines per inch DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : NA

**DISPLAY ADVERTISING PER COLUMN INCH**

Title	Unit Price	Qty	UofM	Bidder Notes
FIRST INSERTION	\$0.70	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : 14 LEGAL: .70 DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : NA
Subsequent Insertion(s)	\$0.70	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : 14 LEGAL: .70 DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 14 lines per inch \$ with % Discount : 0

**PRINT SIZES**

Title	Unit Price	Qty	UofM	Bidder Notes
ADVERTISING COLUMN WIDTH		1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : NA LEGAL: NA DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA 1 col 1.563 2 col 3.251 3 col 4.939 4 col 6.27 5 col 8.315 6 col 10
Number of Characters per Printed Line		1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : NA LEGAL: NA DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA Legal 36 per Printed line Display 14 lines per inch
Number of Characters per Printed Line		1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : NA LEGAL: NA DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA Legal 36 per Printed line Display 14 lines per inch

<b>Discount for Non-Legal Advertising in News Section</b>				
Discount for Non-Legal Advertising in News Section	0.00%	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : NA LEGAL: NA DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA
<b>TOTAL COST TO PUBLISH EXCERPTS BASED ON 1ST INSERTION COST</b>				
Exhibit 4 - Notice of Auction of Surplus Land Weekly Publication	\$12.15	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : .05 per line 243 lines \$12.15 LEGAL: .05 per line 243 lines \$12.15 DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 243 lines \$12.15 \$ with % Discount : NA .05 per line 243 lines \$12.15
Exhibit 5 - Treasurers Delinquent Tax List Weekly Publication	\$45.82	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : \$45.82 per page LEGAL: \$45.82 per page DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA \$45.82 per page Exhibit Treasures Delinquent Tax List Weekly Publications
Exhibit 6 - Truth in Taxation Hearing-Notice of Tax Increase Weekly Publication	\$180.00	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : \$180 per insertion \$360 total LEGAL: \$180 per insertion \$360 total DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA Truth in Taxation Hearing Notice of Tax Increase Weekly Publication
Exhibit 7 - Notice of Call For Bid Weekly Publication	\$4.30	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : .05 per line x 86 lines \$4.30 LEGAL: .05 per line x 82 lines \$4.30 DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA Exhibit 7 Notice to Call for bid Weekly Publication
Exhibit 8 - Public Notice Weekly Publication	\$3.45	1	each	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : .05 per line 68 lines \$3.45 LEGAL: .05 per line 68 lines \$3.45 DISPLAY (10 PT) : .05 per line 68 lines \$3.45 \$ with % Discount : NA` Exhibit 8 – Public Notice Weekly Publication
<b>Newspaper Subscription Rate for County Departments</b>				
Subscription Rate for all Others	\$0.00	1	year	BASED ON \$___ PER LINE x__ lines to inch : up to 5 free subscriptions LEGAL: NA DISPLAY (10 PT) : NA \$ with % Discount : NA If more are needed - additional can be added if needed up to 10

**ATTACHMENT E: PUBLICATION DAYS AND PRES TIMES**

**Publication Day's and Press Times**

Publication Days	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday
Press Time	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	11:00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM

**Copy Delivery**

Amount of Time Prior to Press-Time copy for County Budget.

With Notice 7 days No Notice same

Amount of Time Prior to Press-Time copy for County Treasurer's Delinquent Tax List to be delivered.

With Notice 2 weeks No Notice same

Amount of Time Prior to Press-Time copy for Office of Procurement Services (OPS) Notice for Call for Bids to be Emailed for Publication \*

With Notice Monday noon No Notice same

Amount of Time Prior to Press-Time copy for other Legal Advertising to be emailed for Publication\*

With Notice Monday noon No Notice same

PHOENIX NEWSPAPER INC DBA ARIZONA REPUBLIC, 200 E VAN BUREN ST, PHOENIX, AZ 85004

PRICING SHEET: NIGP CODE 91571

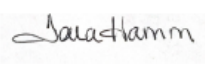
Terms:	NET 30
Vendor Number:	VC0000008449
Certificates of Insurance	Required
Contract Period:	To cover the period ending <b>June 30, 2023</b> .

ATTACHMENT B: AGREEMENT PAGE

Respondent hereby certifies that respondent has read, understands, and agrees that acceptance by Maricopa County of the respondent's offer will create a binding contract. Respondent agrees to fully comply with all terms and conditions as set forth in the Maricopa County Procurement Code, and amendments thereto, together with the specifications and other documentary forms herewith made a part of this specific agreement.

BY SIGNING THIS PAGE, THE SUBMITTING RESPONDENT CERTIFIES THAT RESPONDENT HAS REVIEWED MARICOPA COUNTY'S "STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS," A COPY OF WHICH CAN BE FOUND AT <https://www.maricopa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/6453>.

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Phoenix Newspaper dba Arizona Republic & Arizona Business Gazette 86-0937358		
RESPONDENT (FIRM) SUBMITTING PROPOSAL	FEDERAL TAX ID #	DUNS #
<u>Tara Hamm, Director</u>	<u></u>	
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE	AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE	
<u>PO Box 23430</u>	<u>866-431-8665</u>	<u>877-93-0443</u>
ADDRESS	TELEPHONE #	FAX #
<u>Green Bay, WI 54301</u>	<u>6/9/2022</u>	
CITY STATE ZIP	DATE	
<u>azcentral.com</u>	<u>thamm@gannett.com</u>	
WEBSITE	EMAIL	

MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DATE

ATTESTED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CLERK OF THE BOARD DATE

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEY DATE

## **PUBLICATION OF PUBLIC LEGAL NOTICES & ADVERTISING**

### **1.0 INTENT**

- 1.1 Maricopa County (County) is requesting bids from qualified newspapers in order to award a single annual contract for advertising and printing of legal notice or publication, in accordance with Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 11-255. This contract will be for a term of one year commencing on the date of award.
- 1.2 Other governmental entities under agreement with County may have access to services provided hereunder (see also Sections 3.10 and 3.11 below).
- 1.3 The County reserves the right to add additional contractors, at the County's sole discretion, in cases where the currently listed contractors are of an insufficient number or skill set to satisfy the County's needs or to ensure adequate competition on any project or task order work.

### **2.0 SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **2.1 DEFINITIONS**

- 2.1.1 The term "newspaper" shall mean a publication regularly issued for dissemination of news of a general and public character at stated short intervals of time. Such publication shall be from a known office of publication and shall bear dates of issue and be numbered consecutively. It shall not be designed primarily for advertising, free circulation or circulation at nominal rates, but shall have a bona fide list of paying subscribers. The publication shall be printed and published in Maricopa County, Arizona, for at least one year, and has been admitted to the United States Mail as second-class matter, as set forth and meeting the requirements of A.R.S. Sections §§ 11-255, 39-201, 39-202, 39-203, 39-204, 39-205, 39-221 and 42-18109.
- 2.1.2 The term "printing" shall mean reproducing in newspaper-form and style, any legal publication or advertisement requiring public notice.
- 2.1.3 The term "publishing" shall mean the production and distribution by a newspaper containing public legal notices and/or advertising requiring notice to the general public by the County Board of Supervisors or other County departments within Maricopa County. It shall also mean the production and posting of the aforementioned legal notices and/or advertising on a website that posts the legal notices of ten or more Arizona newspapers.

#### **2.2 TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS**

- 2.2.1 Contractor shall ensure that:
  - 2.2.1.1 The size of type shall be not less than five or more than six-point type, set solid (no leading), whether letterpress, offset, computer tape, or disc format is used. The variance in type size shall not be greater than five percent over or under the specified size range. Continuous wrap for text must be applied in all publication and advertising matter unless otherwise specified.
  - 2.2.1.2 Truth in Taxation and Budget Notices must be printed in a location other than the classified or legal advertising section of the newspaper, in accordance with A.R.S. 42-17107. Online media will not satisfy as a substitute location or alternative for meeting County requirements. The County must be notified of the specific publication location prior to publication date.
  - 2.2.1.3 A physical, hard copy of a publication shall be provided to the County upon request to maintain records.



- 2.2.2 Legal notices including those issued by the Clerk of the Board, an elected or appointed department or a Special District, including delinquent tax rolls, the tentative annual budget, and other legal publication and advertising will be furnished to contractor in electronic copy.

## 2.3 FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 2.3.1 Contractor shall provide printing and/or publishing services for all public legal notices and advertising requiring publication, such as election proclamations, legal notices regarding statutory matters of the Board of Supervisors and other County departments, resolutions, summons, notices of sale, delinquent tax lists, special notices, call for bids, including call for bids for construction and equipment, and the publishing of all matters as required to be published by the Board of Supervisors under the laws of the State of Arizona provided to contractor for such printing and/or publishing.
- 2.3.2 Contractor shall maintain, throughout the term of the contract, a valid affidavit of the publisher that the newspaper complies with the provisions of A.R.S. § 39-201.
- 2.3.3 Contractor shall accept advertising and legal notices electronically, by fax, or paper copy.
- 2.3.4 Contractor shall invoice departments individually for requested services within 30 days of publication.
- 2.3.5 Contractor shall designate an account coordinator to manage and resolve escalated customer service inquiries and issues.
- 2.3.6 Contractor shall confirm receipt of publication requests by fax or email within two hours of the requests.
- 2.3.7 Contractor shall provide a sample proof of requested publication items no later than two days prior to publication. Sample proofs for Truth in Taxation notices and all budget publication items shall be provided to the County no later than five days after the requested publication materials are sent by the County.
- 2.3.8 Contractor shall republish incomplete or incorrect notices resulting from contractor error, in their entirety, in the next publication at no charge to the County. Proof copies shall be provided to the County upon request.
- 2.3.9 Contractor shall furnish an affidavit of publication, to the using County department, without additional cost, within 10 days of publication, for each legal notice and/or advertisement published. For the delinquent tax list and notice of the tax lien sale, prior to publication, the contractor shall furnish an estimate of cost and a draft of the first page, a sample of subsequent pages, and the final page of the advertisement to the County Treasurer for approval. The contractor shall also furnish the County an affidavit of publication, and shall record the affidavit, pursuant to A.R.S. § 42-18110(B).
- 2.3.10 Contractor shall be responsible for the cost of any advertising text published late or after the requested publication deadline when the request for publication was transmitted to the contractor within the specified deadline.

2.4 BID REQUIREMENTS

- 2.4.1 With their bid, each respondent shall file, an affidavit showing that their newspaper has:
- 2.4.1.1 been established and published within Maricopa County, Arizona for at least one-year prior to filling.
  - 2.4.1.2 been admitted to the United States mail as second-class matter for at least one-year.
- 2.4.2 Respondents shall state, in their bid, the day(s) of the week of publication, press time deadline, and the number of hours prior to press time a copy will be accepted with and without notice.
- 2.4.3 Respondent shall provide submittal instructions with their bid.
- 2.4.4 Bids submitted shall be priced on a per-column-inch basis unless otherwise specified.
- 2.4.5 A separate price per column inch shall be bid for advertisements which are to be printed and published display advertising style, in larger than 10-point type.
- 2.4.6 Bid pricing shall be given for the price for the first insertion of each advertisement, and a separate price for each subsequent publication of the same advertisement, when there is a requirement for multiple publications in subsequent issues of the newspaper.
- 2.4.7 Excerpts of typical legal information to be published are attached as EXHIBIT 2 (SAMPLE INSURANCE CERTIFICATE) through EXHIBIT 6 (TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING – NOTICE OF TAX INCREASE). For comparison of bids, respondents shall state the cost of the attached excerpts based on the charge per column inch submitted.
- 2.4.8 Each Respondent shall reproduce these in paragraph/column form showing the type and style that will be used in printing and publishing if the respondent is awarded this contract. These reproductions shall be included with respondent's bid.

3.0 PURCHASING REQUIREMENTS

3.1 SAMPLES

Contractor may be requested to furnish samples of material(s) bid to allow for examination by the County. Any materials so requested shall be furnished within 10 working days from the date of request and furnished at no cost to the County and sent to the address designated in the requesting correspondence. Samples become the property of the County upon receipt.

3.2 ACCEPTANCE

Upon completion, services shall be deemed accepted and the warranty period shall begin. Successful service delivery shall be defined as a) material(s)/equipment is installed (as necessary) and fully operational; and b) the department has deemed all service/work completed, including but not limited to any inspection, repair, installation, design, development, deployment, operation, and initial training, (as applicable). Additionally, all documentation shall be completed prior to final acceptance.

3.3 WARRANTY

3.3.1 All services furnished under this contract shall conform to the requirements of this contract.

3.3.2 Service Warranty

3.3.2.1 Contractor shall indicate on the price sheet the duration of the warranty and any applicable limitations or conditions which may apply.

3.4 USAGE REPORT

Contractor shall furnish the County a usage report upon request delineating the acquisition activity governed by the contract. The format of the report shall be approved by the County and shall disclose the quantity and dollar value of each contract item by individual unit.

3.5 BACKGROUND CHECK

Bidders/proposers need to be aware that they may be required to pass multiple background checks (e.g., Sheriff's Office, County Attorney's Office, Courts, as well as County general government) to determine if the respondent is acceptable to do business with the County. This applies to (but is not limited to) the company, subcontractors, and employees.

3.6 INVOICES AND PAYMENTS

3.6.1 Contractor shall submit one legible copy of their detailed invoice before payment(s) will be made. Incomplete invoices will not be processed. At a minimum, the invoice must provide the following information:

- Company name, address, and contact information
- County bill-to name and contact information
- Contract serial number
- County purchase order number
- Invoice number and date
- Payment terms
- Date of service or delivery
- Quantity (e.g., number of days or weeks)
- Contract item number(s)
- Arrival time and completion time (if applicable)
- Description of purchase (product or services)
- Pricing per unit of purchase
- Extended price (by line item)
- Total amount due

3.6.2 Problems regarding billing or invoicing shall be directed to the department as listed on the purchase order.

3.6.3 Payment shall only be made to the contractor by Accounts Payable through the Maricopa County Vendor Express Payment Program. This is an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) process. After contract award, the contractor shall complete the Vendor Registration Form accessible through the County Department of Finance Vendor Registration website at <https://www.maricopa.gov/5169/Vendor-Information>.

3.6.4 Discounts offered in the contract shall be calculated based on the date a properly completed invoice is received by the County.

- 3.6.5 EFT payments to the routing and account numbers designated by the contractor shall include the details on the specific invoices that the payment covers. Contractor is required to discuss remittance delivery capabilities with their designated financial institution for access to those details.

### 3.7 APPLICABLE TAXES

- 3.7.1 It is the responsibility of the contractor to determine any and all applicable taxes and include those taxes in their proposal. The legal liability to remit the tax is on the entity conducting business in Arizona. Tax is not a determining factor in contract award.
- 3.7.2 The County will look at the price or offer submitted and will not deduct, add, or alter pricing based on speculation or application of any taxes, nor will the County provide contractor any advice or guidance regarding taxes. If you have questions regarding your tax liability, seek advice from a tax professional prior to submitting your bid. You may also find information at <https://www.azdor.gov/Business.aspx>. Once your bid is submitted, the offer is valid for the time specified in this solicitation, regardless of mistake or omission of tax liability. If the County finds over payment of a project due to tax consideration that was not due, the contractor will be liable to the County for that amount, and by contracting with the County agrees to remit any overpayments back to the County for miscalculations on taxes included in a bid price.
- 3.7.3 Tax Indemnification: Contractor and all subcontractors shall pay all federal, state, and local taxes applicable to their operation and any persons employed by the contractor. Contractor shall, and require all subcontractors to, hold the County harmless from any responsibility for taxes, damages, and interest, if applicable, contributions required under federal and/or state and local laws and regulations, and any other costs including transaction privilege taxes, unemployment compensation insurance, Social Security, and Workers' Compensation. Contractor may be required to establish, to the satisfaction of County, that any and all fees and taxes due to a municipality or the State of Arizona for any license or transaction privilege taxes, use taxes, or similar excise taxes are currently paid (except for matters under legal protest).

### 3.8 PERFORMANCE

It shall be the contractor's responsibility to meet the proposed performance requirements. The County reserves the right to obtain services on the open market in the event the contractor fails to perform, and any price differential will be charged against the contractor.

### 3.9 POST AWARD MEETING

Contractor may be required to attend a post-award meeting with the department to discuss the terms and conditions of this contract. This meeting will be coordinated by the procurement officer of the contract.

### 3.10 STRATEGIC ALLIANCE for VOLUME EXPENDITURES (SAVE)

The County is a member of the SAVE cooperative purchasing group. SAVE includes the State of Arizona, many Phoenix metropolitan area municipalities, and many K-12 unified school districts. Under the SAVE Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, and with the concurrence of the successful respondent under this solicitation, a member of SAVE may access a contract resulting from a solicitation issued by the County. If contractor does not want to grant such access to a member of SAVE, state so in the bid. In the absence of a statement to the contrary, the County will assume that contractor does wish to grant access to any contract that may result from this bid. The County assumes no responsibility for any purchases by using entities.

### 3.11 INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS (ICPAs)

County currently holds ICPAs with numerous governmental entities. These agreements allow those entities, with the approval of the contractor, to purchase their requirements under the terms and conditions of the County contract. It is the responsibility of the non-County government entity to perform its own due diligence on the acceptability of the contract under its applicable procurement rules, processes, and procedures. Certain governmental agencies may not require an ICPA and may utilize this contract if it meets their individual requirements. Other governmental agencies may enter into a separate Statement of Work with the contractor to meet their own requirements. The County is not a party to any uses of this contract by other governmental entities.

## **4.0 CONTRACTUAL TERMS & CONDITIONS**

### **4.1 CONTRACT TERM**

This Invitation for Bids is for awarding a firm, fixed price purchasing contract to cover a term of one year.

### **4.2 CONTRACT COMPLETION**

In preparation for contract completion, the contractor shall make all reasonable efforts for an orderly transition of its duties and responsibilities to another provider and/or to the County. This may include, but is not limited to, preparation of a transition plan and cooperation with the County or other providers in the transition. The transition includes the transfer of all records and other data in the possession, custody, or control of the contractor that are required to be provided to the County either by the terms of this agreement or as a matter of law. The provisions of this clause shall survive the expiration or termination of this agreement.

### **4.3 PRICE ADJUSTMENTS**

4.3.1 Any requests for reasonable price adjustments must be submitted 60 calendar days prior to the contract expiration. Requests for adjustment in cost of labor and/or materials must be supported by appropriate documentation. The reasonableness of the request will be determined by comparing the request with the Consumer Price Index or by performing a market survey. If County agrees to the adjusted price terms, County will issue written approval of the change and provide an updated version of the contract. The new change shall not be in effect until the date stipulated on the updated version of the contract.

### **4.4 INDEMNIFICATION**

4.4.1 To the fullest extent permitted by law, and to the extent that claims, damages, losses, or expenses are not covered and paid by insurance purchased by the contractor, the contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County (as Owner), its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials, and employees from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses (including, but not limited to attorneys' fees, court costs, expert witness fees, and the costs and attorneys' fees for appellate proceedings) arising out of, or alleged to have resulted from, the negligent acts, errors, omissions, or mistakes of the contractor, its agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors relating to the performance of this contract.

4.4.2 Contractor's duty to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials, and employees shall arise in connection with any claim, damage, loss, or expense that is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, death, or injury to, impairment of, or destruction of tangible property, including loss of use resulting therefrom, caused by negligent acts, errors, omissions, or mistakes in the performance of this contract, but only to the extent caused by the negligent acts or omissions of the contractor, a subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them, or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, regardless

of whether or not such claim, damage, loss, or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder.

4.4.3 The amount and type of insurance coverage requirements set forth herein will in no way be construed as limiting the scope of the indemnity in this section.

4.4.4 The scope of this indemnification does not extend to the sole negligence of County.

#### 4.5 INSURANCE

4.5.1 Contractor, at contractor's own expense, shall purchase and maintain, at a minimum, the herein stipulated insurance from a company or companies duly licensed by the State of Arizona and possessing an AM Best, Inc. category rating of B++. In lieu of State of Arizona licensing, the stipulated insurance may be purchased from a company or companies, which are authorized to do business in the State of Arizona, provided that said insurance companies meet the approval of County. The form of any insurance policies and forms must be acceptable to County.

4.5.2 All insurance required herein shall be maintained in full force and effect until all work or service required to be performed under the terms of the contract is satisfactorily completed and formally accepted. Failure to do so may, at the sole discretion of County, constitute a material breach of this contract.

4.5.3 In the event that the insurance required is written on a claims-made basis, contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this contract and either continuous coverage will be maintained, or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two years beginning at the time work under this contract is completed.

4.5.4 Contractor's insurance will be primary insurance as respects County, and any insurance or self-insurance maintained by County will not contribute to it.

4.5.5 Any failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of the insurance policies or any breach of an insurance policy warranty shall not affect the County's right to coverage afforded under the insurance policies.

4.5.6 The insurance policies may provide coverage that contains deductibles or self-insured retentions. Such deductible and/or self-insured retentions shall not be applicable with respect to the coverage provided to County under such policies. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the deductible and/or self-insured retention and County, at its option, may require contractor to secure payment of such deductibles or self-insured retentions by a surety bond or an irrevocable and unconditional letter of credit.

4.5.7 The insurance policies required by this contract, except Workers' Compensation and Errors and Omissions, shall name County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials, and employees as additional insureds.

4.5.8 The policies required hereunder, except Workers' Compensation and Errors and Omissions, shall contain a waiver of transfer of rights of recovery (subrogation) against County, its agents, representatives, officers, directors, officials, and employees for any claims arising out of contractor's work or service.

4.5.9 If available, the insurance policies required by this contract may be combined with Commercial Umbrella Insurance policies to meet the minimum limit requirements. If a Commercial Umbrella insurance policy is utilized to meet insurance requirements, the Certificate of Insurance shall indicate which lines the Commercial Umbrella Insurance covers.

4.5.9.1 Commercial General Liability

Commercial General Liability (CGL) insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 for each occurrence, \$2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate, and \$2,000,000 General Aggregate Limit. The policy shall include coverage for premises liability, bodily injury, broad form property damage, personal injury, products and completed operations and blanket contractual coverage, and shall not contain any provisions which would serve to limit third-party action over claims. There shall be no endorsement or modifications of the CGL limiting the scope of coverage for liability arising from explosion, collapse, or underground property damage.

**4.5.9.2 Errors and Omissions/Professional Liability Insurance**

Errors and Omissions (Professional Liability) insurance which will insure and provide coverage for errors or omissions or professional liability of the contractor, with limits of no less than \$500,000 for each claim.

**4.5.9.3 Certificates of Insurance**

4.5.9.3.1 Prior to contract award, contractor shall furnish the County with valid and complete certificates of insurance, or formal endorsements as required by the contract in the form provided by the County, issued by contractor's insurer(s), as evidence that policies providing the required coverage, conditions, and limits required by this contract are in full force and effect. Such certificates shall identify this contract number and title.

4.5.9.3.2 In the event any insurance policy(ies) required by this contract is (are) written on a claims-made basis, coverage shall extend for two years past completion and acceptance of contractor's work or services and as evidenced by annual Certificates of Insurance.

4.5.9.3.3 If a policy does expire during the life of the contract, a renewal certificate must be sent to County 15 calendar days prior to the expiration date.

**4.5.9.4 Cancellation and Expiration Notice**

Applicable to all insurance policies required within the insurance requirements of this contract, contractor's insurance shall not be permitted to expire, be suspended, be canceled, or be materially changed for any reason without 30 calendar days prior written notice to Maricopa County. Contractor must provide notice to Maricopa County, within two business days of receipt, if they receive notice of a policy that has been or will be suspended, canceled, materially changed for any reason, has expired, or will be expiring. Such notice shall be sent directly to Maricopa County Office of Procurement Services and shall be mailed, or hand delivered to 160 South 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85003, or emailed to the procurement officer noted in the solicitation.

**4.6 FORCE MAJEURE**

4.6.1 Neither party shall be liable for failure of performance, nor incur any liability to the other party on account of any loss or damage resulting from any delay or failure to perform all or any part of this contract, if such delay or failure is caused by events, occurrences, or causes beyond the reasonable control and without negligence of the parties. Such events, occurrences, or causes include, but are not limited to, acts of

God/nature (including fire, flood, earthquake, storm, hurricane, or other natural disaster), war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war is declared or not), civil war, riots, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation, terrorist activities, nationalization, government sanction, lockout, blockage, embargo, labor dispute, strike, and interruption or failure of electricity or telecommunication service, and pandemic.

4.6.2 Each as applicable, shall give the other party notice of its inability to perform and particulars in reasonable detail of the cause of the inability. Each party must use best efforts to remedy the situation and remove, as soon as practicable, the cause of its inability to perform or comply.

4.6.3 The party asserting Force Majeure as a cause for non-performance shall have the burden of proving that reasonable steps were taken to minimize delay or damages caused by foreseeable events, that all non-excused obligations were substantially fulfilled, and that the other party was timely notified of the likelihood or actual occurrence which would justify such an assertion, so that other prudent precautions could be contemplated.

#### 4.7 ORDERING AUTHORITY

Any request for purchase shall be accompanied by a valid purchase order issued by a County department or directed by a Certified Agency Procurement Aid (CAPA) with a purchase card for payment.

#### 4.8 AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

4.8.1 The provisions of this contract relating to payment shall become effective when funds assigned for the purpose of compensating the contractor as herein provided are actually available to County for disbursement. The County will be the sole judge and authority in determining the availability of funds under this contract. County will keep the contractor fully informed as to the availability of funds.

4.8.2 If any action is taken by any state agency, Federal department, or any other agency or instrumentality to suspend, decrease, or terminate its fiscal obligations under, or in connection with, this contract, County may amend, suspend, decrease, or terminate its obligations under, or in connection with, this contract. In the event of termination, County will be liable for payment only for services rendered prior to the effective date of the termination, provided that such services are performed in accordance with the provisions of this contract. County will give written notice of the effective date of any suspension, amendment, or termination under this section, at least 10 days in advance.

#### 4.9 PROCUREMENT CARD ORDERING CAPABILITY

County may opt to use a procurement card ( VISA or Mastercard) to make payment for orders under this contract.



**4.10 INTERNET ORDERING CAPABILITY**

It is the intent of Maricopa County to use the Internet to communicate and to place orders under this contract.

**4.11 NO MINIMUM OR MAXIMUM PURCHASE OBLIGATION**

This contract does not guarantee any minimum or maximum purchases will be made. Orders will only be placed under this contract when the County identifies a need and proper authorization and documentation have been approved.

**4.12 PURCHASE ORDERS**

4.12.1 County reserves the right to cancel purchase orders within a reasonable period of time after issuance. Should a purchase order be canceled, the County agrees to reimburse the contractor for actual and documentable costs incurred by the contractor in response to the purchase order. The County will not reimburse the contractor for any costs incurred after receipt of County notice of cancellation, or for lost profits, or for shipment of product prior to issuance of purchase order.

4.12.2 Contractor agrees to accept verbal notification of cancellation of purchase orders from the County with written notification to follow. Contractor specifically acknowledges to be bound by this cancellation policy.

**4.13 SUSPENSION OF WORK**

The procurement officer may order the contractor, in writing, to suspend, delay, or interrupt all or any part of the work of this contract for the period of time that the procurement officer determines appropriate for the convenience of the County. No adjustment shall be made under this clause for any suspension, delay, or interruption to the extent that performance would have been so suspended, delayed, or interrupted by any other cause, including the fault or negligence of the contractor. No request for adjustment under this clause shall be granted unless the claim, in an amount stated, is asserted in writing as soon as practicable after the termination of the suspension, delay, or interruption, but not later than the date of final payment under the contract.

**4.14 STOP WORK ORDER**

4.14.1 The procurement officer may, at any time, by written order to the contractor, require the contractor to stop all, or any part, of the work called for by this contract for a period of 90 calendar days after the order is delivered to the contractor, and for any further period to which the parties may agree. The order shall be specifically identified as a stop work order issued under this clause. Upon receipt of the order, the contractor shall immediately comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the incurrence of costs allocable to the work covered by the order during the period of work stoppage. Within a period of 90 calendar days after a stop work order is delivered to the contractor, or within any extension of that period to which the parties shall have agreed, the procurement officer shall either:

4.14.2 cancel the stop work order; or

4.14.3 terminate the work covered by the order as provided in the Termination for Default or the Termination for Convenience clause of this contract.

4.14.4 The procurement officer may make an equitable adjustment in the delivery schedule and/or contract price, and the contract shall be modified, in writing, accordingly, if the contractor demonstrates that the stop work order resulted in an increase in costs to the contractor.

**4.15 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

Maricopa County may terminate the resultant contract for convenience by providing 60 calendar days advance notice to the contractor.

**4.16 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT**

4.16.1 The County may, by written Notice of Default to the contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the contractor fails to:

4.16.1.1 deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;

4.16.1.2 make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract; or

4.16.1.3 perform any of the other provisions of this contract.

4.16.2 The County's right to terminate this contract under these subparagraphs may be exercised if the contractor does not cure such failure within 10 business days (or more if authorized in writing by the County) after receipt of a Notice to Cure from the procurement officer specifying the failure.

**4.17 STATUTORY RIGHT OF CANCELLATION FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Notice is given that, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (A.R.S.) § 38-511, the County may cancel any contract without penalty or further obligation within three years after execution of the contract, if any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting, or creating the contract on behalf of the County is at any time, while the contract or any extension of the contract is in effect, an employee or agent of any other party to the contract in any capacity or consultant to any other party of the contract with respect to the subject matter of the contract. Additionally, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511, the County may recoup any fee or commission paid or due to any person significantly involved in initiating, negotiating, securing, drafting, or creating the contract on behalf of the County from any other party to the contract arising as the result of the contract.

**4.18 OFFSET FOR DAMAGES**

In addition to all other remedies at Law or Equity, the County may offset from any money due to the contractor any amounts contractor owes to the County for damages resulting from breach or deficiencies in performance of the contract.

**4.19 SUBCONTRACTING**

4.19.1 Contractor may not assign to another contractor or subcontract to another party for performance of the terms and conditions hereof without the written consent of the County. All correspondence authorizing subcontracting must reference the bid serial number and identify the job or project.

4.19.2 The subcontractor's rate for the job shall not exceed that of the prime contractor's rate, as bid in the pricing section, unless the prime contractor is willing to absorb any higher rates. The subcontractor's invoice shall be invoiced directly to the prime contractor, who in turn shall pass-through the costs to the County, without mark-up. A copy of the subcontractor's invoice must accompany the prime contractor's invoice.

**4.20 AMENDMENTS**

All amendments to this contract shall be in writing and approved/signed by both parties. Maricopa County Office of Procurement Services shall be responsible for approving all amendments for Maricopa County.

**4.21 ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OF SERVICES**

The County reserves the right to add and/or delete services to a contract. If additional services are required from a contract, prices for such additions will be negotiated between the contractor and the County.

**4.22 RIGHTS IN DATA**

4.22.1 The County shall have the use of data and reports resulting from a contract without additional cost or other restriction except as may be established by law or applicable regulation. Each party shall supply to the other party, upon request, any available information that is relevant to a contract and to the performance thereunder.

4.22.2 Data, records, reports, and all other information generated for the County by a third party as the result of a contract are the property of the County and shall be provided in a format designated by the County or shall be and remain accessible to the County into perpetuity.

**4.23 ACCESS TO AND RETENTION OF RECORDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF AUDIT AND/OR OTHER REVIEW**

4.23.1 In accordance with section MC1-373 of the Maricopa County Procurement Code, the contractor agrees to retain (physical or digital copies of) all books, records, accounts, statements, reports, files, and other records and back-up documentation relevant to this contract for six years after final payment or until after the resolution of any audit questions which could be more than six years, whichever is latest. The County, Federal or state auditors and any other persons duly authorized by the department shall have full access to and the right to examine, copy, and make use of, any and all said materials.

4.23.2 If the contractor's books, records, accounts, statements, reports, files, and other records and back-up documentation relevant to this contract are not sufficient to support and document that requested services were provided, the contractor shall reimburse Maricopa County for the services not so adequately supported and documented.

**4.24 AUDIT DISALLOWANCES**

If at any time it is determined by the County that a cost for which payment has been made is a disallowed cost, the County shall notify the contractor in writing of the disallowance. The course of action to address the disallowance shall be at sole discretion of the County, and may include either an adjustment to future invoices, request for credit, request for a check, or a deduction from current invoices submitted by the contractor equal to the amount of the disallowance, or to require reimbursement forthwith of the disallowed amount by the contractor by issuing a check payable to Maricopa County.

**4.25 STRICT COMPLIANCE**

Acceptance by County of a performance that is not in strict compliance with the terms of the contract shall not be deemed to be a waiver of strict compliance with respect to all other terms of the contract.

**4.26 VALIDITY**

The invalidity, in whole or in part, of any provision of this contract shall not void or affect the validity of any other provision of the contract.

4.27 SEVERABILITY

The removal, in whole or in part, of any provision of this contract shall not void or affect the validity of any other provision of this contract.

4.28 RELATIONSHIPS

4.28.1 In the performance of the services described herein, the contractor shall act solely as an independent contractor, and nothing herein or implied herein shall at any time be construed as to create the relationship of employer and employee, co-employee, partnership, principal and agent, or joint venture between the County and the contractor.

4.28.2 The County reserves the right of final approval on proposed staff. Also, upon request by the County, the contractor will be required to remove any employees working on County projects and substitute personnel based on the discretion of the County within two business days, unless previously approved by the County.

4.29 NON-DISCRIMINATION

Contractor agrees to comply with all provisions and requirements of Arizona Executive Order 2009-09, including flow down of all provisions and requirements to any subcontractors. Executive Order 2009-09 supersedes Executive Order 99-4 and amends Executive Order 75-5 and is hereby incorporated into this contract as if set forth in full herein. During the performance of this contract, contractor shall not discriminate against any employee, client, or any other individual in any way because of that person's age, race, creed, color, religion, sex, disability, or national origin. (Arizona Executive Order 2009-09 can be viewed at [https://apps.azsos.gov/public\\_services/register/2009/46/governor.pdf](https://apps.azsos.gov/public_services/register/2009/46/governor.pdf)).

4.30 WRITTEN CERTIFICATION PURSUANT to A.R.S. § 35-393.01

If vendor engages in for-profit activity and has 10 or more employees, and if this agreement has a value of \$100,000 or more, vendor certifies it is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of this agreement to not engage in, a boycott of goods or services from Israel. This certification does not apply to a boycott prohibited by 50 U.S.C. § 4842 or a regulation issued pursuant to 50 U.S.C. § 4842.

4.31 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

4.31.1 The undersigned (authorized official signing on behalf of the contractor) certifies to the best of his or her knowledge and belief that the contractor, its current officers, and directors:

4.31.1.1 are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from being awarded any contract or grant by any United States department or agency or any state, or local jurisdiction;

4.31.1.2 have not within a three-year period preceding this contract:

4.31.1.2.1 been convicted of fraud or any criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or as the result of performing a government entity (Federal, state or local) transaction or contract;



- 4.33.1 Contractor shall procure all permits, insurance, and licenses, and pay the charges and fees necessary and incidental to the lawful conduct of his/her business, and as necessary complete any requirements, by any and all governmental or non-governmental entities as mandated to maintain compliance with and remain in good standing. Contractor shall keep fully informed of existing and future trade or industry requirements, and Federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations which in any manner affect the fulfillment of a contract and shall comply with the same. Contractor shall immediately notify both Office of Procurement Services and the department of any and all changes concerning permits, insurance, or licenses.
- 4.33.2 Contractor furnishing finished products, materials, or articles of merchandise that will require installation or attachment as part of the contract shall possess any licenses required. Contractor is not relieved of its obligation to obtain and possess the required licenses by subcontracting of the labor portion of the contract. Contractors are advised to contact the Arizona Registrar of Contractors, Chief of Licensing, to ascertain licensing requirements for a particular contract. Contractor shall identify which license(s), if any, the Registrar of Contractors requires for performance of the contract.

**4.34 INFLUENCE**

- 4.34.1 As prescribed in MC1-1203 of the Maricopa County Procurement Code, any effort to influence an employee or agent to breach the Maricopa County Ethical Code of Conduct or any ethical conduct, may be grounds for disbarment or suspension under MC1-902.
- 4.34.2 An attempt to influence includes, but is not limited to:
  - 4.34.2.1 A person offering or providing a gratuity, gift, tip, present, donation, money, entertainment or educational passes or tickets, or any type of valuable contribution or subsidy that is offered or given with the intent to influence a decision, obtain a contract, garner favorable treatment, or gain favorable consideration of any kind.
- 4.34.3 If a person attempts to influence any employee or agent of Maricopa County, the chief procurement officer, or his designee, reserves the right to seek any remedy provided by the Maricopa County Procurement Code, any remedy in equity or in the law, or any remedy provided by this contract.
- 4.34.4 ABSOLUTELY NO CONTACT BETWEEN THE RESPONDENT AND ANY COUNTY PERSONNEL, OTHER THAN THE OFFICE OF PROCUREMENT SERVICES, IS ALLOWED DURING THE SOLICITATION PROCESS UNLESS THE COMMUNICATION IS IN REGARD TO PRE-EXISTING BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY. ANY COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING THE SOLICITATION, ITS PARTICIPANTS, OR ANY DOCUMENTATION PRIOR TO THE CONTRACT AWARD MAY BE GROUNDS FOR DISMISSAL OF THE RESPONDENT FROM THE EVALUATION PROCESS.

**4.35 CONFIDENTIALITY**

In the course of the solicitation process, the County may disclose information that is proprietary or confidential. By submitting a bid to the solicitation, the offeror agrees that, except as necessary to prepare a response to this solicitation, neither it nor its agents or employees will communicate, divulge, or disseminate to any third-party persons or entities, any information that is disclosed to it by the County during the course of these discussions without the express written authorization of the County. If the offeror does disclose County proprietary or confidential information to a third-party in preparing a response to this solicitation, it shall require the third-party to acknowledge and comply with this provision.

**4.36 CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

- 4.36.1 Any information obtained in the course of performing this contract may include information that is proprietary or confidential to the County. This provision establishes the contractor's obligation regarding such information.
- 4.36.2 Contractor shall establish and maintain procedures and controls that are adequate to assure that no information contained in its records and/or obtained from the County or from others in carrying out its functions (services) under the contract shall be used by or disclosed by it, its agents, officers, or employees, except as required to efficiently perform duties under the contract. Contractor's procedures and controls, at a minimum, must be the same procedures and controls it uses to protect its own proprietary or confidential information. If, at any time during the duration of the contract, the County determines that the procedures and controls in place are not adequate, the contractor shall institute any new and/or additional measures requested by the County within 15 business days of the written request to do so.
- 4.36.3 Any requests to the contractor for County proprietary or confidential information shall be referred to the County for review and approval, prior to any dissemination.

**4.37 PUBLIC RECORDS**

Under Arizona law, all offers submitted and opened are public records and must be retained by the records manager at the Maricopa County Office of Procurement Services. Offers shall be open to public inspection and copying after contract award and execution, except for such offers or sections thereof determined to contain proprietary or confidential information by the Office of Procurement Services. If an offeror believes that information in its offer or any resulting contract should not be released in response to a public record request, under Arizona law, the offeror shall indicate the specific information deemed confidential or proprietary and submit a statement with its offer detailing the reasons that the information should not be disclosed. Such reasons shall include the specific harm or prejudice which may arise from disclosure. The records manager of the Office of Procurement Services shall determine whether the identified information is confidential pursuant to the Maricopa County Procurement Code.

**4.38 INTEGRATION**

This contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior negotiations, proposals, communications, understandings, representations, or agreements, whether oral or written, expressed, or implied.

**4.39 UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

By entering into this contract, the contractor agrees to comply with all applicable provisions of Title 2, Subtitle A, Chapter II, Part 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS contained in Title 2 C.F.R. § 200 *et seq.*

**4.40 GOVERNING LAW**

This contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Arizona. Venue for any actions or lawsuits involving this contract will be in Maricopa County Superior Court, Phoenix, Arizona.