

# GWINNETT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES PURCHASING DIVISION

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL: RP012-25

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners is soliciting competitive sealed proposals from qualified consultants to **Provision of Project Management Professional Services on a Multi-Year Contract** for the Department of Transportation- Capital Improvement Program.

Proposals must be returned in a sealed container marked on the outside with the Request for Proposal number and Company Name. Sealed Proposals will be received until 2:50 P.M. local time on August 6, 2025, at the Gwinnett County Financial Services - Purchasing Division - 4th Floor Charlotte J. Nash Building, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. NOTE THAT THE PURCHASING DIVISION WILL BE TEMPORARILY RELOCATING. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT THIS LOCATION. Any bid received after this date and time will not be accepted. Proposals will be publicly opened and only names of submitting firms will be read at 3:00 P.M. A list of firms submitting proposals will be available the following business day on our website <a href="https://www.gwinnettcounty.com">www.gwinnettcounty.com</a>.

A virtual pre-proposal conference is scheduled for **2:00 p.m. on Monday, July 21, 2025**, via Teams, <u>Pre-Proposal Virtual Meeting Link</u> Meeting ID: 220 888 978 170 5 and Passcode UQ98u9Up. All consultants are urged to attend. Questions regarding proposals should be directed to Michael Milstein, Purchasing Associate II at <u>Michael.Milstein@GwinnettCounty.com</u> no later than **3:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 24, 2025**.

Proposals are legal and binding upon the vendor when submitted. One unbound 8  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" single sided marked "original", four (4) exact copies minus the fee proposal, one (1) electronic copy on a flash drive (labeled Technical), one (1) hard copy of the cost proposal should be submitted. Fee Schedule should be submitted in a separate sealed envelope.

Successful service provider will be required to meet insurance requirements. The Insurance Company should be authorized to do business in Georgia by the Georgia Insurance Department and must have an A.M. Best rating of A-10 or higher.

Gwinnett County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to its programs or activities. Any requests for reasonable accommodations required by individuals to fully participate in any open meeting, program or activity of Gwinnett County Government should be directed to the ADA Coordinator at the Gwinnett County Justice and Administration Center, 770-822-8165.

The written proposal documents supersede any verbal or written prior communications between the parties. Selection criteria are outlined in the request for proposal documents. Gwinnett County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals to waive technicalities, and to make an award deemed in its best interest.

Award notification will be posted after award on the County website, <a href="www.gwinnettcounty.com">www.gwinnettcounty.com</a> and companies submitting a proposal will be notified via email.

We look forward to your proposal and appreciate your interest in Gwinnett County. **Sincerely,** 

Michael Milstein
Purchasing Associate II
The following pages should be returned as part of your proposal:

References, Page 28
Contractor Affidavit, Page 29
Ethics Affidavit, Page 30
Non-Conflict of Interest Certification, Page 31
Proposal Fee Schedule, Pages 32-35 (in a separate sealed envelope)

#### I. PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Gwinnett County Transportation Department (GCDOT) is seeking project management professional services assistance with its capital program on a multi-year contract. The capital program includes projects of the following categories:

Bridges, Culverts, and Transportation Drainage Intersection Improvements
Major Roadway Improvements
Road Safety and Alignment Improvements
Roadway Rehabilitation and Resurfacing
Sidewalks and Pedestrian Safety Improvements
School Safety Improvements
Transportation Planning
Unpaved Road Improvements
Residential Speed Control

A brief description of each of these project categories is included as Section V of this Request for Proposals.

GCDOT needs sufficient information to determine that your firm is adequately staffed and capable of providing "as-needed" project management professional services for the following Service Areas for which you may attempt to qualify:

#### Service Areas:

- Construction Engineering and Inspection
- Land Acquisition
- Environmental Investigation and Permitting

\*\*Note\*\*: Consultant firms that are awarded the above-mentioned Service Areas must disclose whether they are currently providing services to the County under a separate contract, including the contract number. Consultant firms may not provide program management services to the County for any projects that were completed under the current or any future Transportation Consultant Demand Professional Services on an Annual Contract in the following Categories:

Category A – Pedestrian Safety Category B – Major/Minor Roads

Category E – Traffic Engineering and ITS/ATMS

Category F – Transportation Planning

Gwinnett County reserves the right to award to multiple consultants as deemed in its best interest and to assign work in specific Service Areas.

#### II. GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Individuals, firms, and businesses seeking an award of a Gwinnett County contract may not initiate or continue any verbal or written communications, regarding a solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee or other County representative without permission of the Purchasing Associate named in the solicitation between the date of the issuance of the solicitation and the date of the final contract award by the Board of Commissioners. Violations will be reviewed by the Purchasing Director. If determined that such communication has compromised the competitive process, the offer submitted by the individual, firm or business may be disqualified from consideration for award.

All questions concerning this Request for Proposal (RFP) should be directed IN WRITING to Michael Milstein, no later than 2:00 p.m. Friday, July 24, 2025, at Michael.Milstein@GwinnettCounty.com. Where appropriate, GCDOT responses to formal questions will also be in an addendum.

Proposals submitted are not publicly available until after award by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners. All proposals and supporting materials as well as correspondence relating to this RFP become property of Gwinnett County when received.

All applicable State of Georgia and Federal Laws, City and County ordinances, licenses and regulations of all agencies having jurisdiction shall apply to the consultant and project throughout and incorporated here by reference. The Contract with the selected consultant, and all questions concerning the execution, validity or invalidity, capacity of the parties, and the performance of the Contract, shall be interpreted in all respects in accordance with the Charter and Code of Gwinnett County and the laws of the State of Georgia.

Each proposal should include a fully executed "Non-conflict of Interest Certification", a Contractor Affidavit, and an Ethics Affidavit.

Sole responsibility rests with the consultant to see that their proposal(s) are received on time at the above stated location.

Proposals sent by telegraphic and/or electronic devices are not acceptable and will be rejected upon receipt. Consultants are expected to allow adequate time for delivery of their proposal either by hand delivery, postal service, or other means.

#### III. INSTRUCTIONS TO CONSULTANTS

#### **Consultant Qualifications**

No proposal shall be accepted from and no contract will be awarded to any person, firm, or corporation that is in arrears to Gwinnett County, that is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to Gwinnett County or that is deemed irresponsible or unreliable by Gwinnett County. If requested, consultant shall be required to submit satisfactory evidence that they have a practical knowledge of the particular service proposed upon and that they have the necessary financial resources to provide the proposed services. Consultants shall be pre-qualified with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) in the appropriate area classes for all services included in their proposal and provide all applicable certificates in an appendix.

#### Sub-consultants

The use of sub-consultants is permitted as part of the proposal, but all sub-consultants included in the proposal must be clearly identified as such. Sub-consultants' resumes and project references should be provided as well as appropriate GDOT pre-qualifications. Sub-consultants' hourly rates must be included in the hourly rates as set by the prime firm submitted as part of this proposal. Sub-consultant firms may

be replaced with a firm of equal or greater qualification(s) during the contract term with written approval by GCDOT.

#### Consultant Representation

Proposals should be signed in ink by a company official that has authorization to commit company resources and shall contain the firm's full business address. The person(s) who will be responsible for any engineering work shall be a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Georgia. The person(s) who will be responsible for any surveying work shall be a registered Land Surveyor in the State of Georgia. Professionals responsible for work within other service categories shall be licensed in the State of Georgia where required by law.

#### Basis of Consultant Short-Listing / Selection

GCDOT will select the firm(s) that best demonstrates their ability to add value to the key objectives of implementing GCDOT's Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) and other capital programs. Gwinnett County's evaluation committee will review proposals based on the criteria below for each of the following Service Areas:

- A. Construction Engineering and Inspection
- B. Land Acquisition
- C. Environmental Investigation and Permitting

Part I Technical Evaluation – Proposals will be evaluated based on the relative responsiveness to the criteria described below and will be scored based on the point values as shown below:

- The relative quality and strength of the key individuals who will perform the work. Emphasis will be placed on the individuals that will be assigned to deliver the General Scope of Work (see Section IV).
   25 Points
- 2. The experience of the firm in providing similar services to those described in Section IV (the General Scope of Work) in the last five (5) years. **25 Points**
- Demonstrated understanding and approach/methodology to deliver the services described in Section IV (General Scope of Work).
   30 Points
- 4. Reference check to gauge client satisfaction and consultant success with provision of services described in the proposal. Reference forms will be sent out by the County to the individual providing the reference. Completed forms should be returned to the County within two weeks of distribution to the individual providing the reference.

10 Points

Part 2 Fee Evaluation – The fee schedules of the highest scoring proposals from Part I will be opened and evaluated for the Service Areas.

10 Points

#### SUBTOTAL 100 Points

Part 3 Interview (optional) – At GCDOT's discretion or as deemed in GCDOT's best interest, firms may be short-listed to determine the final recommendation(s) of contract award to the Board of Commissioners. GCDOT may request further information, explanations, clarifications, presentations, interviews, and/or meetings. If interviews are utilized for selection, evaluations will be scored based on the maximum point value shown:

\* Interview 20 points

**TOTAL 120 Points** 

The County reserves the right to ask for additional information and clarification from or about any or all consultants. The proposals will be evaluated to select the firm(s) or team(s) which rate highest according to the above criteria. The evaluation committee then, at its discretion, may short-list the highest scoring firms and invite the highest scoring firms to participate in an oral presentation. The full cost of the proposal preparation and all costs incurred participate in the oral to presentation/interview/demonstration are to be borne by the proposing firm.

The County reserves the right to negotiate personnel rates with the highest scoring service provider(s) for concessions that are in the best interest of the County. If negotiations with the highest ranked firm are unsuccessful, the County may then negotiate with the second ranked firm and so on until a satisfactory agreement has been reached.

#### E. Project Management Professional Services Contract

The consultant will be expected to sign a Contract for Provision of Project Management Professional Services on a Multi-Year Contract developed by Gwinnett County (Sample Contract attached). The proposal should contain a statement that the consultant has carefully reviewed the Contract, can meet all insurance and other requirements, and if selected, will sign the Contract. No modifications to the Contract will be permitted.

Successful consultant(s) are required, within ten (10) days of the Notice of Award, to provide the following:

- i. Certificate of Insurance as specified in proposal.
- ii. One (1) properly executed contract document.

#### F. SELECTION PROCESS

One (1) unbound single sided original (designated as the original), five (5) bound copies and one (1) flash drive of the consultant's proposal are to be submitted. Sheet size should be 8.5" x 11" size, single sided pages in a font size no smaller than ten (10) point. The proposal should include a cover letter containing clear Firm Identification with the full legal name of firm, the firm's principal business office and its satellite offices, if any; and indicate the location(s) from which these Project Management Professional Services for the GCDOT would be staged. Give information on the firm's history, business activities, size, employees, officers, affiliates, subsidiaries, ownership, and corporate data, as applicable to the provision of that service. Provide the firm's Georgia DOT prequalification certifications.

#### **Qualifications**

- 1. Key Personnel: Provide a project Organization Chart describing all key personnel who will be involved in delivering the services described in the General Scope of Work. Include resumes which describe any special skills or experience in which key personnel might contribute to the successful completion of the types of projects discussed in Section IV to this Request for Proposals. Resumes should include all applicable certifications and professional designations. Indicate total number of firm employees and total number of local office employees by billing category as well as the availability and workload of key personnel.
- 2. Firm: Provide descriptions of projects/programs where the respondent firm is currently providing or has provided the required services described in this RFP in the last five years. All descriptions should include a summary of the nature and extent of services provided. As a minimum, descriptions for construction engineering and inspection should include project/program name, location, construction cost, completion date and client funding source (federal, state, local or private). At a minimum, descriptions for land acquisition should include project/program name, location, number of parcels, start and completion dates, and client funding source. At a minimum,

descriptions for environmental and additional services must include project/program name, location, scope of work, date of completion and client funding source.

- 3. **Understanding:** Address the firm's understanding of the proposed Scope of Work. The response should also include a discussion of key issues important to the successful implementation of the program and any additional or innovative services that the firm could offer.
- 4. References: Provide on the attached reference sheet a minimum of three (3) client contacts, phone and fax numbers for specific projects described in number 2 (Firm Experience) above as references. References for projects or programs that are unrelated or that are not described will not be acceptable. It is the consultants' responsibility to verify all contact information regarding references are valid, prior to proposal submittal.
- 5. **Fee Services:** One (1) original copy of hourly billing rates should be submitted in a separate, sealed envelope labeled "HOURLY RATES" per the Proposal Fee Schedule. All sub-consultant fees are to be billed at rates identified in the fee schedule.

#### IV. GENERAL SCOPE OF WORK

Note: Potential Consultants should review the Gwinnett 2017 and 2023 Transportation SPLOST Program documents and project list for relevant and historical information concerning anticipated project workload. Past project completion rates typically vary between 20-30 projects per year. Information is available on the <a href="Gwinnett County website">Gwinnett County website</a>.

A. Construction Engineering and Construction Inspection

Construction Engineering and Inspection shall include assistance to County staff by providing the following services:

- 1. Review construction documents to verify compliance with specifications, contracts, and uniformity of work throughout the program.
- 2. Review design consultants' drawings at all stages of design for constructability and compliance with all applicable engineering requirements, standards, and best practices, including verification of quantities and cost estimates.
- 3. Review any and all submittals including, but not limited to, drainage reports, structural reports, design variances, design exceptions, environmental documents, concept reports, and geotechnical reports.
- 4. Coordinate design reviews with all affected Gwinnett County departments, agencies, such as the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as necessary.
- 5. Prepare bid packages for construction contract advertisement.
- 6. Review, evaluate, and provide recommendations of bid awards for construction contracts.
- 7. During preconstruction and construction phases, provide coordination and monitoring of all utility relocations and adjustments.
- 8. Support County utility permitting functions and coordinate utility permitting with preconstruction and construction phases.
- 9. Review, evaluate, and provide recommendations for utility force accounts.
- 10. Supervise and monitor the activities and schedules of materials testing consultants.
- 11. Conduct all construction inspections to verify compliance with GCDOT, GDOT and Federal engineering standards, contract specifications, and quality requirements.

12. Review construction general contractors' and material testing invoices for percent completion and/or validity of invoiced claims.

- 13. Provide assistance with review and preparation of contractors' invoices.
- 14. Maintain logs, diaries, and required source documentation.
- 15. Review and process all change orders, including preparation of supplemental and extension agreements.
- 16. Establish, manage, and assist with project closeout, as-built documentation, punch list, retainage review, and final payment invoices.
- 17. Provide schedules and progress reports as required by the County.
- 18. Attend and provide assistance at public information meetings and public hearings as necessary.
- 19. Manage NPDES permitting, monitor erosion control measures and water quality.
- 20. The Consultant may be required to utilize a Gwinnett County project management software system for project administration activities.
- 21. Specific Traffic Engineering and Pavement Services:
  - a. Construction inspection and management of renovating, rehabilitating, and resurfacing activities for the County's roadway system. Rehabilitation work includes capital projects to improve drainage, curb and gutter and shoulders. Construction management activities include but are not limited to supporting preconstruction activities such as reviewing traffic management plans, developing pre-marking plans for pavement patching, estimate development and review, and bid document development.
  - b. Provide construction inspection of traffic signal and Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS)/Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) facilities to ensure compliance with GCDOT, GDOT and Federal engineering standards, contract specifications, and quality requirements. Activities include but are not limited to review of shop drawings, daily inspection of installation activities, monitoring of project schedule, materials testing, and final inspection. These activities should be conducted by staff with International Municipal Signal Association (IMSA) certification for Traffic Signal Inspector and either Traffic Signal Field Technician Level II or Construction Technician Level II. These activities also include inspections, as necessary, of installation or modification of traffic signal and ATMS/ITS facilities managed by the County, cities, and private developments.

#### B. Land Acquisition

Land Acquisition shall include assistance to County staff by providing the following services:

- 1. Conduct initial/conceptual project review for right-of-way impact as required.
- 2. Review preliminary and final right-of-way drawings.
- 3. Provide conceptual, preliminary, and final cost estimates upon request.
- 4. Provide technical assistance during appraisals and acquisitions.
- 5. Provide schedules and progress reports as required by the County.
- 6. Provide property management as necessary.
- 7. Obtain and perform appraisals and review appraisals as directed by the County.
- 8. Perform negotiations with property owners.
- 9. Recommend administrative settlements.
- 10. Maintain records of negotiation and prepare all closing and condemnation documentation.
- 11. Conduct closings with property owners for right of way and easement acquisitions.
- 12. Provide court testimony.

13. Attend and provide assistance at public information meetings and public hearings as necessary.

- 14. The Consultant may be required to utilize a Gwinnett County project management software system for project administration activities.
- 15. Specific Land Acquisition Service Elements:
  - a. The Consultant shall provide a qualified full time Right of Way Acquisition Manager that is dedicated to the GCDOT Capital Program.
  - b. The Consultant will be the provider of Land Acquisition Project Management Professional Services. However, the County reserves the right to contract with additional firms to support and/or augment land acquisition services on a project-by-project basis.
  - c. The Consultant will assist in the management of the GCDOT Capital Program. As part of the management scope, the Consultant will coordinate, track, and provide guidance to other land acquisition firms hired by the County to support and/or augment land acquisition services on a project-by-project basis as directed by the County.

#### C. <u>Environmental Investigation and Permitting</u>

Environmental Investigation and Permitting shall include assistance to County staff by providing the following services:

- 1. Prepare environmental inventory of proposed County projects to identify areas of environmental concerns and required environmental permits.
- 2. Prepare special environmental studies and impact analyses, including but not limited to ecology, noise, air quality, and cultural resources.
- 3. Complete environmental documentation including NEPA (Environmental Assessments, Categorical Exclusions) and GEPA. Complete document reevaluations as required.
- 4. Complete permit applications including Army Corps of Engineers 404, stream buffer variances and FEMA floodplain documentation.
- 5. Coordinate documentation and permit processing through reviewing agencies including GDOT, FHWA, FTA, FWS, ACOE, FEMA and the SHPO.
- 6. Coordinate with design firms to incorporate project-specific environmental constraints.
- 7. Complete wetlands/stream mitigation coordination, documentation, design, and monitoring.
- 8. Conduct construction and post-construction inspections to verify compliance with environmental documents and permits.
- 9. The Consultant may be required to utilize a Gwinnett County project management software system for project administration activities.
- 10. Specific Environmental Investigation and Permitting Service Elements:
  - a. The Consultant will be the provider of Environmental Investigation and Permitting Professional Services; however, the County reserves the right to contract with additional firms to support and/or augment environmental investigation and permitting services on a project-by-project basis.
  - b. The Consultant will assist in the management of the GCDOT Environmental Investigation and Permitting Program. As part of the management scope, the Consultant will coordinate, track, and provide guidance to other environmental firms hired by the County to support and/or augment environmental investigation and permitting services on a project-by-project basis as directed by the Department.

\*\*Note\*\*: The County will provide limited office space for up to two office personnel. In addition, some office equipment and supplies as well as part time administrative support will be available to the consultant firm. The consultant shall provide, at a minimum, the following:

1. A sufficient number of vehicles to accommodate the consultant's project personnel.

2. Smart phones with email access for all project personnel. Key construction personnel must be accessible 24 hours a day.

3. All necessary equipment, materials, and supplies to provide all services for Service Areas.

#### V. SPLOST PROJECT CATEGORIES

#### BRIDGE, CULVERTS, AND TRANSPORTATION DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

This category funds new bridges and culverts, or reconstruction of existing bridges and culverts. Ratings compiled by the Georgia Department of Transportation will be used to identify candidate bridges for reconstruction, based on structural deficiencies. These funds will also be used to widen existing bridges where needed for safety improvements. This category also funds roadway drainage improvement projects within County rights-of-way.

#### **INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS**

Improvements in this category include projects such as adding turn lanes, aligning cross streets, installing roundabouts, and improving sight distance. These projects are focused on moving vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians safely and efficiently through intersections.

#### **MAJOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

Roadway improvements include building new roads and increasing the capacity of existing roadways to improve safety and efficiency. Roadways that have been identified as being unable to handle projected future traffic volumes, as well as those needed to improve circulation within congested areas, are also considered. Most of the candidate projects are either in the Atlanta Regional Commission's (ARC) Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) or the County's Unified Plan.

#### ROADWAY REHABILITATION AND RESURFACING

Funding in this category is used for renovating, rehabilitating, and resurfacing the County's existing roadway system. Rehabilitation work includes capital projects to improve drainage, curb and gutter and shoulders.

#### **ROAD SAFETY AND ALIGNMENT IMPROVEMENTS**

This category funds projects that address safety concerns at specified locations. Typical improvements may include road realignments, intersection reconfiguration, turn lane additions, roadway shoulder enhancements, and additional striping, signage, or other traffic control devices. These projects are intended to provide spot improvements in the current roadway system to allow for safer transportation.

#### **SCHOOL SAFETY PROJECTS**

Projects in this category include various means and measures to improve safety for vehicles and pedestrians near schools. These projects include intersection improvements and road realignments, as well as installation of sidewalks, crosswalks and turn lanes. Projects to correct sight distance concerns and improve access to school facilities also are covered by this category.

#### SIDEWALK AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

Projects in this category include sidewalks and side-paths along roadways throughout the County. In some cases, short lengths of sidewalk are needed in order to link existing sidewalk segments, or to link residential areas to nearby activity centers. In other cases, sidewalks will be installed at major activity centers to improve pedestrian access within the activity center.

#### TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

This category funds necessary studies for updating the County's Unified Plan, the Comprehensive Transportation Plan, and for other transportation planning activities as needed.

#### **UNPAVED ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

This category funds improvements such as paving gravel and dirt maintained by the County. Many of these roads require alignment modifications to improve safety and drainage improvements to meet minimum paved road standards.

#### RESIDENTIAL SPEED CONTROL

This category provides funding continuity for the existing residential speed control programs by which neighborhoods can petition to have speed humps installed within their subdivisions. The process allows subdivisions to request the County to conduct speed studies to determine if a speeding problem would be alleviated by installation of speed humps. The cost of ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the speed humps is recovered by fees assessed against residents as a part of their property tax bill.



# GWINNETT COUNTY FINANCIAL SERVICES | RISK MANAGEMENT

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### (FOR PROJECTS MORE THAN \$5,000,000)

#### Insurance:

Contractor shall provide evidence of insurance for at least the coverage and amounts set forth below. All insurance shall be maintained in the form and with a company (or companies) satisfactory to the Gwinnett County Board of

Commissioners. The Contractor and their Subcontractor's/Vendor's Certificate of Insurance shall require that the County be notified in writing thirty (30) days prior to cancellation, modification or non-renewal of any insurance policy listed on Certificate. Upon request, Contractor shall provide the County with all required insurance policies.

#### A. Minimum Coverage

#### Commercial General Liability (Occurrence Form):

General Aggregate (other than Prod/Comp Ops Liability) \$2,000,000
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate \$2,000,000
Personal & Advertising Injury Liability \$1,000,000
Each Occurrence \$1,000,000

- Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners to be named as Additional Insured
- Additional Insured Endorsement CG 20 10 (edition dates of 07/04, 04/13, 12/19 or a substitute endorsement providing equivalent coverage) and CG 2037 (edition dates of 07/04, 04/13, 12/19 or a substitute endorsement providing equivalent coverage) must be provided with your Certificate of Insurance.)
- Primary and Non-Contributory Endorsement to be specified in writing
- Dedicated Limits per Project Site or Location (CG 25 03 or CG 25 04)
- Contractual Liability
- Broad Form Property Damage
- Severability of Interest
- Underground, explosion, and collapse coverage
- Personal Injury (deleting both contractual and employee exclusions)
- Incidental Medical Malpractice
- Hostile Fire Pollution Wording
- Include Waiver of Subrogation in favor of Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners
- If project or operations are within 50 ft of a railroad, Contractor is required to name the specific Railroad as an Additional Insured and provide a copy of the Additional Insured Endorsement CG2417 or its equivalent.
- In the event the General Liability insurance required by this Contract 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 that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of five (5) years or applicable statute of limitation period following completion of the work.

#### <u>Automobile Liability to include:</u>

Combined Single Limit – Each Accident

\$1,000,000

- Comprehensive form providing coverage for bodily injury, death of any person, and property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance, and use of all owned, non-owned, leased, hired, borrowed vehicles, and any other statutorily required automobile coverage.
- Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners to be named as Additional Insured
- Additional Insured Endorsements must be provided with the Certificate of Insurance
- Coverage to include loading and unloading
- Contractual Liability

#### Worker's Compensation & Employer's Liability Coverage to include:

Workers Compensation Georgia State Statutory Limits

**Employers Liability** 

Bodily Injury by Accident – Each Accident \$ 500,000

Bodily Injury by Disease – Policy Limit \$ 500,000

Bodily Injury by Disease – Each Employee \$ 500,000

• Waiver of Subrogation in favor of Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners

<u>Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance with policy limits as determined by Contract Sums (higher limits may be required depending on the extent of contract):</u>

Contracts Over \$5,000,000

Each Occurrence and Aggregate Limit

\$10,000,000

- Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners to be named as Additional Insured
- Additional Insured Endorsements must be provided with the Certificate of Insurance
- Concurrency of Effective Dates with Primary
- Blanket Contractual Liability
- Drop Down Feature
- Umbrella Policy must be as broad as the primary policy.
- Coverage excess over General Liability, Business Auto Liability, and Employers Liability
- In the event the Umbrella/Excess Liability insurance required by this Contract 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 that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of five (5) years or applicable statute of limitation period following completion of the work.

<u>Builder's Risk Insurance or Installation Floater Insurance (with the exception for work where</u> the County secures project Builders Risk):

On all new structures, bridges, overpasses, culverts, and railroad crossings, the Contractor shall purchase and maintain insurance in an amount sufficient to cover the full contract amount, from a company licensed, and authorized to do business by the Office of the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner of Georgia ("Insurance Commissioner"), with the exception of non-admitted carriers, in which case the broker

placing coverage should be licensed by the Insurance Commissioner. All agents placing coverage should be licensed by the Insurance Commissioner, either as a resident or non-resident.

#### **Property Insurance:**

The Contractor is fully and solely responsible for any physical loss or damage to all tools, equipment, construction office trailers and their contents, vehicles or any other personal property utilized in the performance of Contractor's work. Contractor agrees to waive its rights of recovery and cause its

insurers, if any, to waive their rights of subrogation against Owner and Company for any such damage or loss, however caused.

#### Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions):

Claim/Wrongful Act: \$5,000,000 limit of insurance General Aggregate: \$5,000,000

limit of insurance

• In the event that any professional liability insurance required by this Contract 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 that either continuous coverage will be maintained, or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of five (5) years or applicable statute of limitation period following completion of the work, unless such coverage becomes unavailable in the market on a commercially reasonable basis, in which case the Contractor shall notify the Insurance Manager. If the Director of the Department for which the Contractor is doing the work and the Insurance Manager both agree that such coverage is not commercially reasonably available (such agreement not to be unreasonably withheld), the Contractor may for the period such coverage is not commercially reasonably available, elect not to provide such coverage.

Pollution Liability Insurance: Applies if scope of work requires the handling and/or transportation of hazardous materials (including, but not limited to, asbestos, lead, silica, contaminated soil, or any other hazardous material as defined by applicable law. Could add "or scope of work involves grading, concrete, de-watering, underground utilities, exterior insulation and finish systems (EIFS); fire protection; HVAC; plumbing; roofing; exterior siding, stucco, or skin of any type, flashing, installation of skylights, windows, storefronts, or exterior doors;

waterproofing, exterior sheet metal; rough carpentry; or any other trades as The County may designate", then the

following Pollution Liability Insurance shall meet or exceed the following minimum requirements: Per Incident Limit \$1,000,000 Aggregate Limit \$2,000,000

- Limits for Bodily Injury, Property Damage, Environmental Damage or Clean-Up Costs, including coverage for Non-Owned Disposal Sites.
- For Subcontractors whose scope of work includes transportation of hazardous materials, the insurance must also include coverage for pollution conditions arising from the transportation of hazardous materials.
- Whether written on an "Occurrence" basis or on a "Claims Made" basis, coverage shall either be renewed continuously or shall provide an extended claims reporting period of five (5) years or applicable statute of limitation period following completion of the work.
- · Gwinnett County and their respective officers, directors and employees, and any other parties

required by The County shall be Additional Insureds during the term of the subcontract agreement and through all applicable statutes of limitation and repose. The policy shall stipulate the insurance afforded to the Additional Insureds applies as primary insurance and that any other insurance carried by the Additional Insureds will be excess only.

Additional Insured Endorsements must be provided with the Certificate of Insurance

<u>Crane Insurance: Applies if any work to be performed involves the use of any owned, leased, chartered or hired crane of any type:</u>

Occurrence Limit \$5,000,000

 Evidence of coverage in the form of a Certificate of Insurance shall be provided to The County prior to start of work.

- Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners and their respective officers, directors and employees, and any other parties required by The County shall be Additional Insureds.
- Additional Insured Endorsements must be provided with the Certificate of Insurance

#### **Riggers Liability Insurance:**

If any work to be performed involves the rigging, lifting. lowering or moving of property or equipment, then those parties performing such work shall carry Rigger's Liability Insurance in an amount adequate to insure against the physical loss or damage to the property or equipment in its care

#### Crime or Fidelity Insurance:

Limit of Insurance

\$1,000,000

- The Contractor shall maintain employee dishonesty and computer fraud coverage including, but not limited to, dishonest acts of Contractor, its employees, agents, subcontractors and anyone under Contractor's supervision or control.
- Contractor shall be liable for money, securities, or other property of County
- Such coverage shall include an owner coverage endorsement for County and County shall be included as a loss payee.

Cyber Liability Insurance: Applies if scope of work includes the storage or transfer of any County data or sensitive data (including but not limited to personally identifiable, health, or payment card data) or the related hosting of database(s) or internet site(s):

Limit of Insurance per Claim \$1,000,000 Aggregate Limit \$1,000,000

The Contractor shall maintain insurance coverage for network security and privacy risks, including, but not limited to, insurance for data breach or introduction of virus or malicious codes, consumer notification, whether or not required by law, forensic investigation, public relations and crisis management and credit or identity monitoring or similar remediation services, unauthorized access, failure of security information theft, damage to destruction of or alteration of electronic information, breach of privacy perils, wrongful disclosure and release of private information, collection, or other negligence in the handling of confidential information, and including coverage for related regulatory fines, defenses, and penalties allowed by law.

Aviation Insurance: Applies if scope of work requires the use of aircraft, including helicopters, unmanned aircraft systems (e.g., drones) and/or fixed-wing aircraft:

Maintain (or require aircraft owner or operator to maintain), and Contractor shall furnish proof of, Aircraft Liability insurance with minimum limits of \$10,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage of all aircraft.

Unmanned aircraft systems, minimum limits of \$2,000,000 for bodily injury, property damage, and personal injury (including invasion of privacy) for unmanned aircraft systems, and guest voluntary settlement bodily injury coverage (for any aircraft except unmanned aircraft systems)

- Such policy shall include contractual liability covering all owned and non-owned aircraft
- If the party providing the Aircraft Liability insurance is not Contractor, then Contractor shall
  require such party to (a) waive any subrogation rights of recovery they and/or their insurance
  carriers may have against County and any other indemnified parties and (b) name County and
  such other parties as Additional Insureds
- The Contractor shall (or shall require aircraft owner or operator) to hire, employ, and utilize pilots certified by the Federal Aviation Administration to operate any such aircraft.
- B. Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners (and any applicable Authority) should be shown as an Additional Insured on General Liability, Auto Liability, Aviation (if applicable) and Umbrella Liability policies.
- C. Gwinnett County should be provided with a minimum of 30 days advance written notice of cancellation, material change, or non-renewal of policies required by the contract.
- D. Certificate Holder should read:

Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners 75 Langley Drive Lawrenceville, GA 30046-6935

- E. Insurance Company, except Worker' Compensation carrier, must have an A.M. Best Rating of A-10 or higher. Certain Workers' Comp funds may be acceptable by the approval of the Insurance Unit. European markets including those based in London and domestic surplus lines markets that operate on a non-admitted basis are exempt from this requirement provided that the contractor's broker/agent can provide financial data to establish that a market is equal to or exceeds the financial strengths associated with the A.M. Best's rating of A-10 or better.
- F. Insurance companies providing coverage should be licensed, and authorized to do business by the Office of the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner of Georgia ("Insurance Commissioner"), with the exception of non- admitted carriers, in which case the broker placing coverage should be licensed by the Insurance Commissioner. All agents placing coverage should be licensed by the Insurance Commissioner, either as a resident or non- resident.
  - \*See above note regarding Professional Liability
- G. Certificates of Insurance, and any subsequent renewals, must reference each corresponding bid/contract by project name and project/bid number.
- H. The Contractor shall agree to provide complete certified copies of current insurance policy(ies) or a certified letter from the insurance company(ies) if requested by the County to verify the compliance with these insurance requirements.
- I. All insurance coverage required to be provided by the Contractor will state that it is primary over any insurance program carried by the County.
- J. Contractor shall incorporate a copy of the insurance requirements as herein provided in each and every subcontract with each and every Subcontractor in any tier and shall require each and every Subcontractor of any tier to comply with all such requirements. Contractor agrees that if for any reason Subcontractor fails to

procure and maintain insurance as required, all such required Insurance shall be procured and maintained by Contractor at Contractor's expense.

- K. No Contractor or Subcontractor shall commence any work of any kind under this Contract until all insurance requirements contained in this Contract have been complied with and until evidence of such compliance satisfactory to Gwinnett County as to form and content has been filed with Gwinnett County. The ACORD Certificate of Insurance or a preapproved substitute is the required form in all cases where reference is made to a Certificate of Insurance or an approved substitute.
- L. The Contractor and its insurer(s) shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, the Board of Commissioners, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from losses arising from work performed by the contractor for the County.
- M. Special Form Contractors' Equipment and Contents Insurance covering owned, used, and leased equipment, tools, supplies, and contents is required to perform the services called for in the Contract. The coverage must be on a replacement cost basis. The County will be included as a Loss Payee in this coverage for County owned equipment, tools, supplies, and contents.
- N. The Contractor shall make available to the County, through its records or records of its insurer, information regarding any claim related to a County project. Any loss run information available from the contractor or their insurer relating to a County project shall be made available to the County upon its request.
- O. Compliance by the Contractor and all Subcontractors with the foregoing insurance requirements shall not relieve the Contractor and Subcontractors of liability provisions under the Contract and any applicable law.
- P. The Contractor and all Subcontractors are to comply with the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, Public Law 91-956, and any other laws that may apply to this Contract.
- Q. The Contractor shall at a minimum apply risk management practices accepted by the Contractor's industry.
- R. The Contractor shall advise the County if required limits of insurance become eroded or impaired.

#### Surety Bonds (if required)

All of the surety requirements will stay the same except the Surety Company must have the same rating as set forth in item E above.

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#### 1. DEFINITIONS

Wherever used in this Agreement, whether in the singular or in the plural, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- 1.1 <u>COUNTY</u>-means Gwinnett COUNTY, Georgia, a political subdivision of the State of Georgia.
- 1.2 <u>Supplemental Agreement</u>-means a written order to CONSULTANT signed by COUNTY and accepted by CONSULTANT, effecting an addition, deletion or revision in the Work, or an adjustment in the Agreement Price or the Contract Time, issued after execution of this Agreement.
- 1.3 <u>Contract</u>-means the Agreement Documents specifically identified and incorporated herein by reference in Section 2, CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.
- 1.4 <u>Agreement Execution</u>-means the date on which CONSULTANT executes and enters into a Agreement with COUNTY to perform the Work.
- 1.5 <u>Agreement Price</u>-means the total monies, adjusted in accordance with any provision herein, payable to the CONSULTANT under this Agreement.
- 1.6 <u>Contract Time</u>-means the period of time stated in this Agreement for the completion of the Work.
- 1.7 <u>CONSULTANT</u>-means the party or parties contracting directly with the COUNTY to perform Work pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.8 <u>DEPARTMENT</u>-means the Director or designee of requesting department(s) named in this solicitation.
- 1.9 <u>Drawings</u>-means collectively, all the drawings, receipt of which is acknowledged by COUNTY, listed in this Agreement, and also such supplementary drawings as the CONSULTANT may issue from time to time in order to clarify or explain such drawing or to show details which are not shown thereon.
- 1.10 <u>Specifications</u>-means the written technical provisions including all appendices thereto, both general and specific, which form a part of the Agreement Documents.
- 1.11 <u>Subconsultant</u>-means any person, firm, partnership, joint venture, company, corporation, or entity having a contractual agreement with CONSULTANT or with any of its subconsultants at any tier to provide a part of the Work called for by this Agreement.
- 1.12 <u>Work</u>-means any and all obligations, duties and responsibilities, including furnishing equipment, engineering, design, workmanship, labor and any other services or things necessary to the successful completion of the Project, assigned to or undertaken by CONSULTANT under this Agreement.
- 1.13 <u>Liaison</u>-Representative of the COUNTY who shall act as Liaison between the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT for all matters pertaining to this Agreement, including review of CONSULTANT's plans and work.

#### 2. <u>CONTRACT DOCUMENTS</u>

2.1 List of Documents

The Agreement, any required bonds, the General Conditions, the Appendices, the Detailed Scope of Work, the Specifications, the Drawings, the Exhibits, and all Agreement Supplemental Agreements shall constitute the Agreement Documents.

#### 2.2 Conflict and Precedence

- 2.0.1 The Agreement Documents are complementary, and what is called for by one is as binding as if called for by all. In the event there are any conflicting provisions or requirements in the component parts of this Agreement, the several Agreement Documents shall take precedence in the following order:
  - 1. Supplemental Agreements
  - 2. Agreement
  - 3. General Conditions
  - 4. Detailed Scope of Work
  - 5. Specifications
  - 6. Drawings

#### 3. CHANGES AND EXTRA WORK

The COUNTY may, at any time, request changes in the work to be performed hereunder. All such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the CONSULTANT's compensation, which are mutually agreed upon by and between the COUNTY and the CONSULTANT, shall be incorporated in written Supplemental Agreements to the Agreement.

#### 4. PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

The CONSULTANT represents that it has secured or will secure, at its own expense, all personnel necessary to complete this Agreement; none of whom shall be employees of, or have any contractual relationship with, the COUNTY. Primary liaison with the COUNTY will be through its designee. All of the services required hereunder will be performed by the CONSULTANT under its supervision, and all personnel engaged in the work shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under law to perform such services.

The CONSULTANT shall employ only persons duly registered in the appropriate category in responsible charge of supervision and design of the work; and further shall employ only qualified surveyors in responsible charge of any survey work.

The CONSULTANT shall endorse all reports, contract plans, and survey data. Such endorsements shall be made by a person duly registered in the appropriate category by the Georgia State Board of Registration, being in the full employ of the CONSULTANT and responsible for the work prescribed by this Agreement.

#### 5. ACCURACY OF WORK

The CONSULTANT shall be responsible for the accuracy of the work and shall promptly correct errors and omissions in its plans and specifications without additional compensation.

Acceptance of the work by the COUNTY will not relieve the CONSULTANT of the responsibility for subsequent correction of any errors and the clarification of any ambiguities.

#### 6. <u>FINDINGS CONFIDENTIAL</u>

The CONSULTANT agrees that its conclusions and any reports are for the confidential information of the COUNTY and that it will not disclose its conclusions in whole or in part to any persons whatsoever, other than to submit its written documentation to the COUNTY, and will only discuss the same with it or its authorized representatives. Upon completion of this Agreement term, all documents, reports, maps, data

and studies prepared by the CONSULTANT pursuant thereto shall become the property of the COUNTY and be delivered to DEPARTMENT.

Articles, papers, bulletins, reports, or other materials reporting the plans, progress, analyses, or results and findings of the work conducted under this Agreement shall not be presented publicly or published without prior approval in writing of the COUNTY.

It is further agreed that if any information concerning the PROJECT, its conduct, results, or data gathered or processed should be released by the CONSULTANT without prior approval from the COUNTY, the release of same shall constitute grounds for termination of this Agreement without indemnity to the CONSULTANT, but should any such information be released by the COUNTY or by the CONSULTANT with such prior written approval, the same shall be regarded as public information and no longer subject to the restrictions of this Agreement.

#### 7. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR CAUSE

If through any cause, the CONSULTANT shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or if the CONSULTANT shall violate any of the covenants, agreements or stipulations of this Agreement, the COUNTY shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to the CONSULTANT of such termination, and specifying the effective date thereof, at least ten (10) days before the effective date of such termination. Failure to maintain the scheduled level of effort as proposed and prescribed, or deviation from the aforesaid schedule without prior approval of the COUNTY, shall constitute cause for termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, maps, data, studies, work papers and reports prepared by the CONSULTANT under this Agreement shall become the property of the COUNTY, and the CONSULTANT shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed on such documents, as determined by the COUNTY.

#### 8. <u>TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE COUNTY</u>

The COUNTY may terminate this Agreement for its convenience at any time upon 30 days notice in writing to the CONSULTANT. If the Agreement is terminated by the COUNTY as provided in this Article 8, the CONSULTANT will be paid compensation for those services actually performed. Partially completed tasks will be compensated for based on a signed statement of completion to be submitted by the CONSULTANT which shall itemize each task element and briefly state what work has been completed and what work remains to be done.

All such expenses shall be properly documented and submitted to the Director or his designee for processing and payment. The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners shall be the final authority in the event of any disputes over authorized costs between the Director and the CONSULTANT.

#### 9. CONSULTANTS TO COOPERATE WITH OTHER CONSULTANTS

If the COUNTY undertakes or awards other contracts for additional related work, the CONSULTANT shall fully cooperate with such other consultants and the COUNTY employees or appointed committee(s), and carefully fit its own work to such additional work as may be directed by the COUNTY. The CONSULTANT shall not commit or permit any act which will interfere with the performance of work by any other CONSULTANT or by COUNTY employees.

#### 10. INDEMNIFICATION

CONSULTANT agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its commissioners, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all liability, damages, claims, suits, liens, and judgments, for whatever nature, including claims for contribution and/or indemnification, for injuries to or death of any person or persons, or damage to the property or other rights of any person or persons to the

extent arising out of and attributed to the negligent acts, errors or omissions of the CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT's obligation to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, as set forth hereinabove shall include any matter arising out of any patent, trademark, copyright, or service mark, or any actual or alleged unfair competition disparagement of product or service, or other business tort of any type whatsoever, or any actual or alleged violation of trade regulations.

CONSULTANT further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its commissioners, officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims or liability for compensation under the Worker's Compensation Act arising out of injuries sustained by any employee of the CONSULTANT.

#### 11. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

The CONSULTANT warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by CONSULTANT for the purpose of securing business and that the CONSULTANT has not received any non-COUNTY fee related to this Agreement without the prior written consent of the COUNTY. For breach or violation of this warranty, the COUNTY shall have the right to annul this Agreement without liability or at its discretion to deduct from the Agreement Price of consideration the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

#### 12. INSURANCE

The CONSULTANT shall, at all times that this Agreement is in effect, cause to be maintained in force and effect an insurance policy (s) that will ensure and indemnify both COUNTY and CONSULTANT against liability or financial loss resulting from injuries occurring to persons or property or occurring as a result of any negligent error, act, or omission of the CONSULTANT during the term of this Agreement. The liability under such insurance policy shall be not less than in the attached.

The CONSULTANT shall provide, at all times that this Agreement is in effect, Worker's Compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

The CONSULTANT shall provide, at all times that this Agreement is in effect, Professional Liability Insurance with a limit of not less than that shown in the attached

Additionally, CONSULTANT shall provide, at all times that this Agreement is in effect, automobile liability insurance with a limit of not less than that shown in the attached.

The policies shall be written by a responsible company(s), to be approved by the COUNTY, and shall be noncancellable except on thirty (30) days' written notice to the COUNTY. Such policies shall name the COUNTY as additional insured, except for worker's compensation and professional liability policies, and a copy of such policy or a certificate of insurance shall be filed with the Director at the time of the execution of this Agreement.

#### 13. PROHIBITED INTERESTS

- 13.1 <u>Conflict of Interest</u>: The CONSULTANT agrees that it presently has no interest and shall acquire no interest, direct or indirect, that would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder, unless disclosed per O.C.G.A.36-80-28. The CONSULTANT further agrees that, in the performance of the Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed.
- 13.2 <u>Interest of Public Officials</u>: No member, officer, or employee of the COUNTY during his tenure or for one year thereafter, shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.

#### 14. <u>SUBCONTRACTING</u>

The CONSULTANT shall not subcontract any part of the work covered by this Agreement or permit subcontracted work to be further subcontracted without the Department's prior written approval of the subconsultant. The Department will not approve any subconsultant for work covered by this Agreement that has not been recommended for approval by the Department Director.

All subcontracts in the amount of \$10,000 or more shall include the provisions set forth in this Agreement.

#### 15. <u>ASSIGNABILITY</u>

The CONSULTANT shall not assign or transfer whether by an assignment or novation, any of its rights, obligations, benefits, liabilities or other interest under this Agreement without the written consent of the COUNTY.

#### 16. <u>EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY</u>

During the performance of this Agreement, the CONSULTANT agrees as follows: (1) the CONSULTANT will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex or national origin; (2) the CONSULTANT will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by qualified applicants, receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, sex or national origin; (3) the CONSULTANT will cause the foregoing provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts for any work covered by the Agreement so that such provision will be binding upon each subconsultant, provided that the foregoing provision shall not apply to contracts or subcontracts for standard commercial supplies of raw materials.

#### 17. ANTI-KICKBACK CLAUSE

Salaries of architects, draftsmen, technical engineers and engineers, and technicians performing work under this Agreement shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than once a month without deduction or rebate on any account except only such payroll deductions as are mandatory by law. The CONSULTANT hereby promises to comply with all applicable "Anti-kickback" laws, and shall insert appropriate provisions in all subcontracts covering work under this Agreement.

#### 18. AUDITS AND INSPECTORS

At any time during normal business hours and as often as the COUNTY may deem necessary, the CONSULTANT shall make available to the COUNTY for examination all of its records with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement. It shall also permit the COUNTY to audit, examine and make copies, excerpts or transcripts from such records of personnel, conditions of employment and other data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement.

The CONSULTANT shall maintain all books, documents, papers, accounting records and other evidence pertaining to costs incurred on the Project and used in support of its proposal and shall make such material available at all reasonable times during the period of the Agreement, and for three years from the date of final payment under the Agreement, for inspection by the COUNTY or any reviewing agencies, and copies thereof shall be furnished upon request. The CONSULTANT agrees that the provisions of this Article shall be included in any Agreements it may make with any subconsultant, assignee, or transferee.

#### 19. OWNERSHIP, PUBLICATION, REPRODUCTION AND USE

All documents and materials prepared pursuant to this Agreement are the property of the COUNTY. The COUNTY shall have the unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute, and otherwise use, in whole or in part, any reports, data, maps, or other materials prepared under this Agreement without according credit of authorship. The COUNTY shall hold harmless and indemnify the CONSULTANT against all claims arising out of such use of documents and materials without the CONSULTANT'S knowledge and consent.

#### 20. <u>VERBAL AGREEMENT OR CONVERSATION</u>

No verbal agreement or conversation with any officer, agent, or employee of the COUNTY, either before, during, or after the execution of this Agreement, shall affect or modify any of the terms or obligations herein contained, nor shall such verbal agreement or conversation entitle the CONSULTANT to any additional payment whatsoever under the terms for this Agreement. All changes to this Agreement shall be in writing and appended hereto as prescribed in Article 3 above.

#### 21. <u>INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT</u>

The CONSULTANT shall perform the services under this Agreement as an independent consultant and nothing contained herein shall be construed to be inconsistent with this relationship or status. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted or construed to constitute the CONSULTANT or any of its agents or employees to be the agent, employee, or representative of the COUNTY.

#### 22. NOTICES

All notices shall be in writing and delivered in person or transmitted by certified mail, postage prepaid.

# MULTI-YEAR CONSULTANT CONTRACT RP012-25, Provision of Project Management Professional Services on a Multi-Year Contract

| This <b>CONTRACT</b> made and entered | d into by and between | Gwinnett County, | Georgia (Party | $\prime$ of the First Part, |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| hereinafter called the County), and _ |                       |                  |                | , (Party                    |
| of the Second Part, hereinafter calle | d the Consultant)     |                  |                |                             |

**NOW THEREFORE,** for and in consideration of the mutual promises and obligations contained herein and under the conditions hereinafter set forth, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

#### 1. TERM:

The services to be performed under this Agreement shall commence on \_\_\_\_\_\_. The initial term of this Agreement shall be through **December 31, 2026**. This Agreement shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation on the part of the County at the close of the calendar year of execution and at the close of each succeeding calendar year of renewal, if renewed. This Agreement shall be automatically renewed upon the same terms and conditions unless the County terminates the Agreement on the day of the close of the calendar year in which it was executed or within sixty (60) days after the day of the close of the calendar year of execution or of each succeeding calendar year for which it may be renewed, for a total lifetime obligation of **five(5)** years. If applicable, title to any supplies, materials, equipment or other personal property shall remain in the vendor until fully paid for by the County. In addition, this Agreement will terminate immediately and absolutely when appropriated and otherwise unobligated funds are no longer available to satisfy the obligations of the County under the Agreement. Any obligation of the County hereunder is only for such sums payable during the calendar year of execution or each calendar year of renewal, if renewed.

#### 2. ATTACHMENTS:

This Contract shall consist of the Service Provider's bid/proposal and all Invitations to Bid/Proposals including all drawings, specifications, price lists, Instructions to Bidders, General Conditions, Special Provisions, Detailed Specifications, addenda, and change orders issued after execution of the Contract (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Bid"), which are specifically incorporated herein by reference (Exhibit A). In the event of a conflict between the County's contract documents and the Service Provider's bid/proposal, the County's contract documents shall control.

#### 3. PERFORMANCE:

Consultant agrees to furnish all skill and labor of every description necessary to carry out and complete in good, firm and substantial, workmanlike manner, the work specified, in strict conformity with the Bid Proposal.

#### 4. PRICE:

As full compensation for the performance of this Contract, the County shall pay the Consultant for the actual quantity of work performed. The fees for the work to be performed under this Contract shall be charged to the County in accordance with the rate schedule referenced in the Bid Proposal (Exhibit A) is the total obligation of the County pursuant to OCGA section 36-60-13 (a) (3). The County agrees to pay the Consultant following receipt by the County of a detailed invoice, reflecting the actual work performed by the Consultant.

#### 5. INDEMNIFICATION AND HOLD HARMLESS:

CONSULTANT agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its commissioners, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all liability, damages, claims, suits, liens, and judgments, for whatever nature, including claims for contribution and/or indemnification, for injuries to or death of any person or persons, or damage to the property or other rights of any person or persons to the extent arising out of and attributed to the negligent acts, errors or omissions of the CONSULTANT. CONSULTANT's obligation to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, as set forth hereinabove shall include any matter arising out of any patent, trademark, copyright, or service mark, or any actual or alleged

unfair competition disparagement of product or service, or other business tort of any type whatsoever, or any actual or alleged violation of trade regulations.

CONSULTANT further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the COUNTY, its commissioners, officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims or liability for compensation under the Worker's Compensation Act arising out of injuries sustained by any employee of the CONSULTANT.

#### 6. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:

The County may terminate this Contract for cause upon ten (10) days prior written notice to the Consultant of the Consultant's default in the performance of any term of this Contract. Such termination shall be without prejudice to any of the County's rights or remedies provided by law.

#### 7. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE:

The County may terminate this Contract for its convenience at any time upon 30 days written notice to the Consultant. In the event of the County's termination of this Contract for convenience, the Consultant will be paid for those services actually performed. Partially completed performance of the Contract will be compensated based upon a signed statement of completion to be submitted by the Consultant, which shall itemize each element of performance.

#### 8. TERMINATION FOR FUND APPROPRIATION:

The County may unilaterally terminate this Contract due to a lack of funding at any time by written notice to the Consultant. In the event of the County's termination of this Contract for fund appropriation, the Consultant will be paid for those services actually performed. Partially completed performance of the Contract will be compensated based upon a signed statement of completion to be submitted by the Consultant which shall itemize each element of performance.

#### 9. CONTRACT NOT TO DISCRIMINATE:

During the performance of this Contract, the Consultant will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, creed, color, sex, national origin, age, or disability, which does not preclude the applicant or employee from performing the essential functions of the position. The Consultant will also, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by qualified applicants, consider the same without regard to race, creed, color, sex, national origin, age, or disability which does not preclude the applicant from performing the essential functions of the job. The Consultant will cause the foregoing provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts for any work covered by this Contract so that such provision will be binding upon each subconsultant, providing that the foregoing provisions shall not apply to contracts or subconsultants for standard commercial supplies of raw materials.

#### 10. ASSIGNMENT:

The Consultant shall not sublet, assign, transfer, pledge, convey, sell or otherwise dispose of the whole or any part of this Contract or his right, title, or interest therein to any person, firm, or corporation without the previous consent of the County in writing.

#### 11. WAIVER:

A waiver by either party of any breach of any provision, term, covenant, or condition of this Contract shall not be deemed a waiver of any subsequent breach of the same or any other provision, term, covenant, or condition.

#### 12. SEVERABILITY:

The parties agree that each of the provisions included in this Contract is separate, distinct and severable from the other and remaining provisions of this Contract, and that the invalidity of any Contract provision shall not affect the validity of any other provision or provisions of this Contract.

#### **13. GOVERNING LAW:**

The parties agree that this Contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia. This Contract has been signed in Gwinnett County, Georgia.

#### 14. MERGER CLAUSE:

The parties agree that the terms of this Contract include the entire Contract between the parties, and as such, shall exclusively bind the parties. No other representations, either oral or written, may be used to contradict the terms of this Contract.

(Signature Next Page)

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties hereto, acting through their duly authorized agents, have caused this **CONTRACT** to be signed, sealed and delivered.

# **GWINNETT COUNTY, GEORGIA** By:\_\_\_\_\_ ATTEST: APPROVED AS TO FORM: CONSULTANT:\_\_\_\_\_ BY:\_\_\_ Signature Print Name Title ATTEST: Signature Print Name **Corporate Secretary**

(Seal)

#### **REFERENCES**

Gwinnett County requests a minimum of three (3) references where work of a similar size and scope has been completed.

Note: References should be customized for each project, rather than submitting the same set of references for every project bid. The references listed should be of similar size and scope of the project being bid on. Do not submit a project list in lieu of this form.

| Company Name                 |   |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Brief Description of Project |   |  |
| Completion Date              |   |  |
| Contract Amount \$           | Start Dates   |  |
| Contact Person               | Telephone   |  |
| E-Mail Address               |   |  |
| Company Name                 |   |  |
|                              |   |  |
| Completion Date              |   |  |
|                              |   |  |
| Contact Person               | Telephone   |  |
| E-Mail Address               |   |  |
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# GWINNETT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES PURCHASING DIVISION

75 Langley Drive | Lawrenceville, GA 30046-6935 O: 770.822.8720 | F: 770.822.8735 GwinnettCounty.com

## CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT (THIS FORM SHOULD BE FULLY COMPLETED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR SUBMITTAL)

#### Solicitation No. RP012-25, Provision of Project Management Professional Services on a Multi-Year Contract

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with The Illegal Immigration Reform Enhancements for 2013, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm, or corporation which is contracting with the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners has registered with and is participating in a federal work authorization program\* [any of the electronic verification of work authorization programs operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or any equivalent federal work authorization program operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security] to verify information of newly hired employees, pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act, in accordance with the applicability provisions and deadlines established therein.

The undersigned further agrees that, should it employ or contract with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the physical performance of services or the performance of labor pursuant to this contract with the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners, contractor will secure from such subcontractor(s) similar verification of compliance with the Illegal Immigration Reform and Enforcement Act on the Subcontractor Affidavit provided in Rule 300-10-01-.08 or a substantially similar form. Contractor further agrees to maintain records of such compliance and provide a copy of each such verification to the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners at the time the subcontractor(s) is retained to perform such service.

| E-Verify * User Identification Number                  | Date Registo | ered                          |
|--|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Legal Company Name                                     |              |                               |
| Street Address   |              |                               |
| City/State/Zip Code                                    |              |                               |
| BY: Authorized Officer or Agent (Contractor Signature) | Date         | <del></del>                   |
|  |              | For Gwinnett County Use Only: |
| Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor     |              | Document ID #                 |
| Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent            |              | Issue Date:                   |
| SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE DAY OF, 20  |              | Initials:                     |
| Notary Public  |              |                               |
| My Commission Expires:                                 | _            |                               |

<sup>\*</sup> As of the effective date of O.C.G.A. 13-10-91, the applicable federal work authorization program is "E-Verify" operated by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Bureau of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, in conjunction with the Social Security Administration (SSA).



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Bid # & Description RP012-25, Provision of Project Management Professional Services on a Multi-Year Contract

#### **CODE OF ETHICS AFFIDAVIT**

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM COMPLETED WITH YOUR SUBMITTAL. SUBMITTED FORMS ARE REQUIRED PRIOR TO EVALUATION.

In accordance with Section 54-33 of the Gwinnett County Code of Ordinances the undersigned bidder/proposer makes the following full and complete disclosure under oath, to the best of their knowledge, of the name(s) of all elected officials whom it employs or who have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in or with the vendor, its affiliates or its subcontractors:

| Company Submitting Bid/Proposal   |  |
|---|--|
| Please select one of the following:  ☐ No information to disclose (complete only section)  ☐ Disclosed information below (complete section) | •                                      |
| If additional space is required, please attach list:  |  |
| Gwinnett County Elected Official Name   | Gwinnett County Elected Official Name  |
| Gwinnett County Elected Official Name   | Gwinnett County Elected Official Name  |
| BY:<br>Authorized Officer or Agent Signature  | Sworn to and subscribed before me this |
|   | day of, 20                             |
| Printed Name of Authorized Officer or Agent   |  |
| Title of Authorized Officer or Agent of Contractor  | Notary Public                          |
|   | (seal                                  |

Note: See Gwinnett County Code of Ethics Ordinance EO2011, Sec. 54-33. The ordinance will be available to view in its' entirety at **GwinnettCounty.com** 

### NON-CONFLICT OF INTEREST CERTIFICATION

| I,, AS TH  | E LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF       |
|--|---------------------------------|
| , DO CERTIFY THAT W  |                                 |
| CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND INSPECTION, LAND ACQUISITION, O   |                                 |
| AND PERMITTING SERVICES FOR PROPERTY OWNERS ADJACENT O         | R CONTIGUOUS TO ANY PROJECT     |
| ASSIGNED BY GWINNETT COUNTY, DURING THE ACTIVE LIFE OF SUCH PF | ROJECT, WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL  |
| BY THE GWINNETT COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR, FURTHER, I     | ADDITIONALLY CERTIFY THAT IF WE |
| ALREADY HAVE A CONSTRUCTION E & I, LAND ACQUISTION OR ENV      | IRONMENTAL INVESTIGATION AND    |
| PERMITTING SERVICES AGREEMENT(S) WITH PROPERTY OWNER(S)        | ADJACENT OR CONTIGUOUS TO A     |
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### **COST PROPOSAL**

### (SUBMIT IN A SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE)

**NOTE:** All five years of pricing will be taken into consideration in determining award.

| DESCRIPTION                                      | YEAR ONE<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR TWO<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR THREE<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR FOUR<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR FIVE<br>HOURLY RATE |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Principal  | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Construction Engineering and Inspection Director | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Review Engineer                                  | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Office Engineer                                  | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Design Liaison                                   | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Plan Review/Bid Preparation                      | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Traffic Signal Engineer                          | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Structural Engineer                              | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Utility Coordinator                              | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Erosion Control and Water Quality                | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Environmental                                    | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Environmental Scientist                          | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |

| DESCRIPTION                      | YEAR ONE<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR TWO<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR THREE<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR FOUR<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR FIVE<br>HOURLY RATE |
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| EnvironmentalTechnician          | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| CADD Technician                  | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Right of Way Acquisition Manager | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Right of Way Appraisal Reviewer  | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Right of Way Attorney            | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Right of Way Legal Assistant     | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Right of Way Acquisition         | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Construction Manager             | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Project Engineer                 | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Construction Engineer/Inspector  | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Registered Geologist             | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |
| Administrative Support           | \$                      | \$                      | \$                        | \$                       | \$                       |

Add additional positions with hourly rates in the blank spaces provided below.

| DESCRIPTION | YEAR ONE<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR TWO<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR THREE<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR FOUR<br>HOURLY RATE | YEAR FIVE<br>HOURLY RATE |
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#### FAILURE TO RETURN THIS PAGE AS PART OF YOUR PROPOSAL DOCUMENT MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF PROPOSAL.

### **Service Provider Information Page**

The services to be performed under this Agreement shall commence upon final execution of the contract document. The initial term of this Agreement shall be through December 31, 2026. This Agreement shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation on the part of the County at the close of the calendar year of execution and at the close of each succeeding calendar year of renewal, if renewed. This Agreement shall be automatically renewed upon the same terms and conditions unless the County terminates the Agreement on the day of the close of the calendar year in which it was executed or within sixty (60) days after the day of the close of the calendar year of execution or of each succeeding calendar year for which it may be renewed, for a total lifetime obligation of five (5) years. If applicable, title to any supplies, materials, equipment or other personal property shall remain in the vendor until fully paid for by the County. In addition, this Agreement will terminate immediately and absolutely when appropriated and otherwise unobligated funds are no longer available to satisfy the obligations of the County under the Agreement. Any obligation of the County hereunder is only for such sums payable during the calendar year of execution or each calendar year of renewal, if renewed.

| Certification Of No   | on-Collusion In Bid Pro   | eparation<br>Signature   | Date   |
|---|---|--|--|
| The undersigned a<br>each:  | acknowledges receipt  | of the following addenda, listed by num  | nber and date appearing on   |
| Addendum No.  | Date  | Addendum No.   | Date   |
|   |   |  |  |
| the Board of Comr<br>or all of the items u<br>point(s) within the<br>Gwinnett County u<br>select their prefer | missioners within one<br>upon which prices are<br>e time specified in th<br>uses Electronic Payn<br>red method of electro | ications, the undersigned offers and age hundred twenty (120) days of the date equoted, at the price set opposite each ine quote schedule. By submission of ments for remittance of goods and seronic payment upon notice of award. For cayment information in the instruction | of quote opening, to furnish any item, delivered to the designated this proposal, I understand that vices. Service providers should more information on electronic |
| Legal Business Na   | ime   |  |  |
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| Does your compar  | ny currently have a loo   | cation within Gwinnett County? Yes 🗌 N   | No 🗌   |
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FAILURE TO RETURN THIS PAGE MAY RESULT IN REMOVAL OF YOUR COMPANY FROM COMMODITY LISTING.

### RP012-25

### **Buyer Initials: MM**

| ΙF | YOU DESIRE  | TO SUBMIT A  | "NO BID" IN RESP | ONSE TO THIS | PACKAGE, PLE | EASE INDICATE BY | CHECKING ONE |
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| O  | R MORE OF T | HE REASONS I | LISTED BELOW A   | ND EXPLAIN.  |              |                  |              |

|      | Do not offer this product or service; remove us from your bidder's list for this item only. |
|------|---|
|      | Specifications too "tight"; geared toward one brand or manufacturer only.                   |
|      | Specifications are unclear.   |
|      | Unable to meet specifications   |
|      | Unable to meet bond requirements  |
|      | Unable to meet insurance requirements   |
|      | Our schedule would not permit us to perform.  |
|      | Insufficient time to respond.   |
|      | Other   |
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| COMP | ANY NAME  |
| AUTH | ORIZED REPRESENTATIVE   |
|      | SIGNATURE   |

# GWINNETT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES – PURCHASING DIVISION GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR VENDORS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### \*\*\*ATTENTION\*\*\*

FAILURE TO RETURN THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MAY RESULT IN SUBMITTAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND AUTOMATIC REJECTION. THE COUNTY SHALL BE THE SOLE DETERMINANT OF TECHNICALITY VS. NON-RESPONSIVE SUBMITTAL:

- 1. FAILURE TO USE COUNTY FEE SCHEDULE.
- 2. FAILURE TO RETURN OR ACKNOWLEDGE APPLICABLE COMPLIANCE/SPECIFICATION SHEETS.
- FAILURE TO RETURN OR ACKNOWLEDGE APPLICABLE ADDENDA.
- 4. FAILURE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON ALTERNATES OR EQUIVALENTS.
- 5. FAILURE TO PROVIDE BID BOND, <u>WHEN REQUIRED</u>, WILL RESULT IN SUBMITTAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND AUTOMATIC REJECTION. <u>BID BONDS ARE NOT REQUIRED ON ALL SOLICITATIONS</u>. BOND REQUIREMENTS ARE CLEARLY STATED ON THE INVITATION PAGE. IF CLARIFICATION IS NEEDED, CONTACT THE PURCHASING ASSOCIATE LISTED IN THE INVITATION. **IF BONDS ARE REQUIRED, FORMS WILL BE PROVIDED IN THIS SOLICITATION DOCUMENT.**
- 6. FAILURE TO PROVIDE CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT, WHEN REQUIRED, MAY RESULT IN SUBMITTAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND REJECTED. THE CONTRACTOR AFFIDAVIT AND AGREEMENT IS NOT REQUIRED ON ALL SOLICITATIONS. IF CLARIFICATION IS NEEDED, CONTACT THE PURCHASING ASSOCIATE LISTED IN THE INVITATION.
- 7. FAILURE TO PROVIDE AN ETHICS AFFIDAVIT WHEN REQUIRED, MAY RESULT IN SUBMITTAL BEING DEEMED NON-RESPONSIVE AND REJECTED. THE ETHICS AFFIDAVIT IS REQUIRED ON ALL FORMAL SOLICITATIONS OVER \$100,000.00. IF CLARIFICATION IS NEEDED, CONTACT THE PURCHASING ASSOCIATE LISTED IN THE INVITATION.

#### I. PREPARATION OF SUBMITTAL

A. Each vendor shall examine the drawings, specifications, schedule, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the vendor's risk, as the vendor will be held accountable for their submittal.

- B. Each vendor shall furnish all information required by the solicitation form or document. Each vendor shall sign the submittal and print or type his or her name on the fee schedule. The person signing the submittal should initial erasures or other changes. An authorized agent of the vendor must sign the submittal.
- C. Fee schedule pricing should have only two decimal places unless otherwise stated. In the event of a calculation error in total price, the unit pricing prevails.
- D. Except for solicitations for the sale of real property, individuals, firms, and businesses seeking an award of a Gwinnett County contract may not initiate or continue any verbal or written communications regarding a solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee, or other County representative other than the Purchasing Associate named in the solicitation between the date of the issuance of the solicitation and the date of the final award. The Purchasing Director will review violations. If determined that such communication has compromised the competitive process, the offer submitted by the individual, firm or business may be disqualified from consideration for award. Solicitations for the sale of real property may allow for verbal or written communications with the appropriate Gwinnett County representative.
- E. Sample contracts (if pertinent) are attached. These do NOT have to be filled out with the submittal but are contained for informational purposes only. If awarded, the successful vendor(s) will be required to execute these documents prior to County execution.
- F. Effective July 1, 2013 and in accordance with the Georgia Illegal Immigration Reform Enhancements for 2013, an original signed, notarized and fully completed Contractor Affidavit and Agreement should be included with vendor's submittal, if the solicitation is for the physical performance of services for all labor or service contract(s) that exceed \$2,499.99 (except for services performed by an individual who is licensed pursuant to Title 26, Title 43, or the State Bar of Georgia). Failure to provide the Contractor Affidavit and Agreement with your submittal may result in being deemed non-responsive and automatic rejection.

#### II. DELIVERY

- A. Each vendor should state time of proposed delivery of goods or services.
- B. Words such as "immediate," "as soon as possible," etc. should not be used. The known earliest date or the minimum number of calendar days required after receipt of order (delivery A.R.O.) should be stated. If calendar days are used, include Saturday, Sunday, and holidays in the number.

#### III. EXPLANATION TO VENDORS

Any explanation desired by a vendor regarding the meaning or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc. must be requested by the question cutoff deadline stated in the solicitation for a reply to reach all vendors before the deadline of the solicitation. Any information given to a prospective vendor concerning a solicitation will be furnished to all prospective vendors as an addendum to the solicitation if such information is necessary or if the lack of such information would be prejudicial to uninformed vendors. The written solicitation documents supersede any verbal or written communications between the parties. Receipt of addenda should be acknowledged in the submittal. It is the vendor's responsibility to ensure they have all applicable addenda prior to their submittal. This

may be accomplished by contacting the assigned Purchasing Associate prior to the submittal or visiting the Gwinnett County website.

#### IV. SUBMISSION OF FORMAL OFFERS/SUBMITTALS

- A. Formal bid and proposal submittals shall be enclosed in a sealed package or envelope, addressed to the Gwinnett County Purchasing Division with the name of the vendor, the date and hour of opening and the solicitation number on the face of the package or envelope. Facsimile or emailed submittals will not be considered. Any addenda should be enclosed in the sealed envelopes as well.
- B. ADD/DEDUCT: Add or deduct amounts indicated on the outside of the envelope are allowed and will be applied to the lump sum amount. Amount shall be clearly stated and should be initialed by an authorized representative.
- C. Samples of items, when required, must be submitted within the time specified and, unless otherwise specified by the County, at no expense to the County. Unless otherwise specified, samples will be returned at the vendor's request and expense, if items are not destroyed by testing.
- D. Items offered must meet required specifications and must be of a quality that will adequately serve the use and purpose for which intended.
- E. Full identification of each item submitted, including brand name, model, catalog number, etc. must be furnished to identify exactly what the vendor is offering. Manufacturer's literature may be furnished but vendor should not submit excessive marketing material.
- F. The vendor must certify that items to be furnished are new and that the quality has not deteriorated to impair its usefulness.
- G. Unsigned submittals will not be considered except in cases where it is enclosed with other documents that have been signed. The County will determine acceptability in these cases.
- H. Gwinnett County is exempt from federal excise tax and Georgia sales tax regarding goods and services purchased directly by Gwinnett County. Vendors are responsible for federal excise tax and sales tax, including taxes for materials incorporated in county construction projects. Vendors should contact the State of Georgia Sales Tax Division for additional information. Agreements were there is a cost-plus mark-up, mark-up will not be paid on taxes.
- I. Information submitted by a vendor in the solicitation process shall be subject to disclosure after the public opening in accordance with the Georgia Open Records Act.

#### V. WITHDRAWAL DUE TO ERRORS

Vendors must give Gwinnett County Purchasing Division written notice within two (2) business days of completion of the opening stating that they wish to withdraw their submittal without penalty for an obvious clerical or calculation error. Submittal may be withdrawn from consideration if the price was substantially lower than the other submittals due solely to a mistake therein, provided pricing was submitted in good faith, and the mistake was a clerical mistake as opposed to a judgment mistake and was due to an unintentional arithmetic error or an unintentional omission of a quantity of work, labor or

material made directly in the compilation of the submittal. The unintentional arithmetic error or omission can be clearly proven through inspection of the original work papers, documents, and materials used in preparing the submittal sought to be withdrawn. The vendor's original work papers shall be the sole acceptable evidence of error and mistake if a vendor elects to withdraw their submittal. If a quote or bid submittal is withdrawn under the authority of this provision, the lowest remaining responsive offer shall be deemed to be low bid.

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

Vendors who fail to request withdrawal by the required forty-eight (48) hours may automatically forfeit bid bond if a bond was required. Bid may not be withdrawn otherwise.

Withdrawal is not automatically granted and will be allowed solely at Gwinnett County's discretion.

#### VI. TESTING AND INSPECTION

Since tests may require several days for completion, the County reserves the right to use a portion of any supplies before the results of the tests are determined. Cost of inspections and tests of any item that fails to meet the specifications, shall be borne by the vendor.

#### VII. F.O.B. POINT

Unless otherwise stated in the request for invitation and any resulting contract, or unless qualified by the vendor, items shall be shipped F.O.B. Destination, Freight Prepaid and Allowed. The seller shall retain title for the risk of transportation, including the filing for loss or damages. The invoice covering the items is not payable until items are delivered and the contract of carriage has been completed. Unless the F.O.B. clause states otherwise, the seller assumes transportation and related charges either by payment or allowance.

#### **VIII. PATENT INDEMNITY**

The vendor guarantees to hold the County, its agents, officers, or employees harmless from liability of any nature or kind for use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, articles or appliances furnished or used in the performance of the contract, for which the vendor is not the patentee, assignee, or licensee.

## IX. BID BONDS AND PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BONDS (IF REQUIRED, FORMS WILL BE PROVIDED IN THIS DOCUMENT)

A five percent (5%) bid bond, a one hundred percent (100%) performance bond, and a one hundred percent (100%) payment bond must be furnished to Gwinnett County for any solicitation as required in the solicitation package or document. Failure to submit a bid bond with the proper rating will result in submittal being deemed non-responsive. Bonding company must be authorized to do business in Georgia by the Georgia Insurance Commission, listed in the Department of the Treasury's publication of companies holding certificates of authority as acceptable surety on Federal bonds and as acceptable reinsuring companies, and have an A.M. Best rating as stated in the insurance requirement of the solicitation. The bid bond, payment bond, and performance bond must have the proper A.M. Best rating as stated in the solicitation document.

#### X. DISCOUNTS

A. Time payment discounts may be considered in arriving at net prices and in award of solicitations. Offers of discounts for payment within ten (10) days following the end of the month are preferred.

B. In connection with any discount offered, time will be computed from the date of delivery and acceptance at destination, or from the date correct invoice or voucher is received, whichever is the later date. Payment is deemed to be made for the purpose of earning the discount on the date of the County check.

#### XI. AWARD

- A. Award will be made to either the highest scoring firm (for proposals) or the lowest responsive and responsible vendor (for quotes/bids). The quality of the articles to be supplied, their conformity with the specifications, their suitability to the requirements of the County, and the delivery terms will be taken into consideration in making the award. The County may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the vendor to perform, and the vendor shall furnish to the County all such information and data for this purpose as the County may request. The County reserves the right to reject any submittal if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of such vendor fails to satisfy the County that such vendor is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract.
- B. The County reserves the right to reject or accept any or all offers and to waive technicalities, informalities and minor irregularities in the submittals received.
- C. The County reserves the right to make an award as deemed in its best interest, which may include awarding to a single vendor or multiple vendors; or to award the whole solicitation agreement, only part of the agreement, or none of the agreement, based on its sole discretion of its best interest.
- D. In the event of proposal scores rounded to the nearest whole number result in a tie score, the award will be based on lowest cost.
- E. If proposal negotiations with the highest ranked firm are unsuccessful, the County may then negotiate with the second ranked firm and so on until a satisfactory agreement has been reached.

#### XII. DELIVERY FAILURES

Failure of a vendor to deliver within the time specified or within reasonable time as interpreted by the Purchasing Director, or failure to make replacement of rejected articles/services when so requested, immediately or as directed by the Purchasing Director, shall constitute authority for the Purchasing Director to purchase in the open market articles/services of comparable grade to replace the articles/services rejected or not delivered. On all such purchases, the vendor shall reimburse the County within a reasonable time specified by the Purchasing Director for any expense incurred in excess of the contract prices, or the County shall have the right to deduct such amount from monies owed the defaulting vendor. Alternatively, the County may penalize the vendor one percent (1%) per day for a period of up to ten (10) days for each day that delivery or replacement is late. Should public necessity demand it, the County reserves the right to use or consume articles/services delivered which are substandard in quality, subject to an adjustment in price to be determined by the Purchasing Director.

#### XIII. COUNTY FURNISHED PROPERTY

No material, labor or facilities will be furnished by the County unless so provided in the solicitation package.

#### **XIV. REJECTION OF SUBMITTALS**

Failure to observe any of the instructions or conditions in this solicitation package may constitute grounds for rejection.

#### XV. CONTRACT

Each submittal is received with the understanding that the acceptance in writing by the County of the offer to furnish any or all the commodities or services described therein shall constitute a contract between the vendor and the County which shall bind the vendor on his part to furnish and deliver the articles quoted at the prices stated in accordance with the conditions of said accepted submittal. The County, on its part, may order from such vendor, except for cause beyond reasonable control, and to pay for, at the agreed prices, all articles specified and delivered.

Upon receipt of a solicitation package containing a Gwinnett County "Sample Contract" as part of the requirements, it is understood that the vendor has reviewed the documents with the understanding that Gwinnett County requires that all agreements between the parties must be entered into via this document. If any exceptions are taken to any part, each must be stated in detail and submitted as part of the vendor's submittal. If no exceptions are stated, it is assumed that the vendor fully agrees to the provisions contained in the "Sample Contract" in its entirety.

Any Consultant as defined in O.C.G.A. §36-80-28 that is engaged to develop or draft specifications/requirements or serve in a consultative role during the procurement process for any County procurement method, by entering into such an arrangement or executing a contract, the consultant agrees to abide by the current state law and: 1) Avoid any appearance of impropriety and shall follow all policies and procedures of the County, 2) Disclose to the County any material transaction or relationship pursuant to §36-80-28, that is considered a conflict of interest, any involvement in litigation or other dispute, relationship, or financial interest not disclosed in the ethics affidavit, and 3) Acknowledge that any violation or threatened violation of the agreement may cause irreparable injury to the County, entitling the County to seek injunctive relief in addition to all other legal remedies.

When the vendor has performed in accordance with the provisions of this agreement, Gwinnett County shall pay to the vendor, within thirty (30) days of receipt of any department approved payment request and based upon work completed or service provided pursuant to the contract, the sum so requested, less the retainage stated in this agreement, if any. If Gwinnett County fails to pay the vendor within sixty (60) days of receipt of a pay request based upon work completed or service provided pursuant to the contract, the County shall pay the vendor interest at the rate of  $\frac{1}{2}$ % per month or pro rata fraction thereof, beginning the sixty-first (61st) day following receipt of pay requests. The vendor's acceptance of progress payments or final payment shall release all claims for interest on said payment.

The parties agree that this Contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia.

#### XVI. NON-COLLUSION

Vendor declares that the submittal is not made in connection with any other vendor's submittal for the same commodity or commodities, and that the submittal is bona fide and is in all respects fair and

without collusion or fraud. An affidavit of non-collusion shall be executed by each vendor. Collusion and fraud in submittal preparation shall be reported to the State of Georgia Attorney General and the United States Justice Department.

#### XVII. DEFAULT

The contract may be canceled or annulled by the Purchasing Director in whole or in part by written notice of default to the vendor upon non-performance or violation of contract terms. An award may be made to the next low responsive and responsible vendor, or the next highest scoring responsive and responsible proposer, or articles specified may be purchased on the open market similar to those so terminated. In either event, the defaulting vendor (or their surety) shall be liable to the County for costs to the County in excess of the defaulted contract prices; provided, however, that the vendor shall continue the performance of this contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this clause. Failure of the vendor to deliver materials or services within the time stipulated on their offer, unless extended in writing by the Purchasing Director, shall constitute contract default.

#### **XVIII. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**

The County may terminate this agreement for cause upon ten days prior written notice to the vendor of the vendor's default in the performance of any term of this agreement. Such termination shall be without prejudice to any of the County's rights or remedies by law.

#### XIX. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The County may terminate this agreement for its convenience at any time upon 30 days written notice to the vendor. In the event of the County's termination of this agreement for convenience, the vendor will be paid for those services actually performed. Partially completed performance of the agreement will be compensated based upon a signed statement of completion to be submitted by the vendor, which shall itemize each element of performance.

#### XX. SUBSTITUTIONS

Vendors offering substitutions or who are deviating from the attached specifications shall list such deviations on a separate sheet to be submitted with their offer. The absence of such a substitution list shall indicate that the vendor has taken no exception to the specifications contained herein.

#### XXI. INELIGIBLE VENDORS

The County may choose not to accept the offer by an individual, firm, or business who is in default on the payment of taxes, licenses, or other monies owed to the County. Additionally, vendors or persons placed on an Ineligible Source List for reasons listed in Part 6, Section II of the Gwinnett County Purchasing Ordinance shall not be eligible to provide any commodities or services to the County during the period such person remains on the Ineligible Source List.

#### XXII. PENDING LITIGATION

An individual, firm, or business that has litigation pending against the County, or anyone representing a firm or business in litigation against the County, not arising out of the procurement process, will be disqualified.

#### XXIII. OCCUPATION TAX CERTIFICATE

Each successful vendor must have a valid Gwinnett County occupation tax certificate if the vendor maintains an office within the unincorporated area of Gwinnett County. Incorporated, out of County, and out of State vendors are required to have any and all certificates necessary to do business in any town,

County or municipality in the State of Georgia, or as otherwise required by County ordinance or resolution. Vendors may be required to provide evidence of valid certificates. Out of State vendors are required to have a certificate in the Georgia jurisdiction where they receive the most revenue.

#### XXIV. PURCHASING POLICY AND REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Purchasing Policy & Review Committee has been established to review purchasing procedures and make recommendations for changes; resolve problems regarding the purchasing process; make recommendations for standardization of commodities, schedule buying, qualified products list, annual contracts, supplier performance (Ineligible Source List), and other problems or requirements related to purchasing. The Purchasing Policy & Review Committee has authority to place vendors on the Ineligible Source List for reasons listed in Part 6, Section II of the Gwinnett County Purchasing Ordinance, for a period not to exceed three (3) years.

#### XXV. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

All vendors for Gwinnett County are required to comply with all applicable sections of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as an equal opportunity employer. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Gwinnett County provides reasonable accommodations to permit a qualified applicant with a disability to enjoy the privileges of employment equal to those employees without disabilities. Disabled individuals must satisfy job requirements for education background, employment experience, and must be able to perform those tasks that are essential to the job with or without reasonable accommodations. Any requests for the reasonable accommodations required by individuals to fully participate in any open meeting, program or activity of Gwinnett County should be directed to the ADA Coordinator, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046, 770-822-8165.

#### XXVI. ALTERATIONS OF SOLICITATION AND ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

Alterations of County documents are strictly prohibited and will result in automatic disqualification of the vendor's solicitation response. If there are "exceptions" or comments to any of the solicitation requirements or other language, then the firm may make notes to those areas, but may not materially alter any document language.

#### XXVII. TAX LIABILITY

Local and state governmental entities must notify vendors of their use tax liability on public works projects. Under Georgia law, private vendors are responsible for paying a use tax equal to the sales tax rate on material and equipment purchased under a governmental exemption that is incorporated into a government construction project: excluding material and equipment provided for the installation, repair, or expansion of a public water, gas, or sewer system when the property is installed for general distribution purposes. To the extent the tangible personal property maintains its character (for example, the installation of a kitchen stove), it remains tax-exempt. However, if the installation incorporates the tangible personal property into realty (for example, the installation of sheetrock), it becomes taxable to the private vendor. See O.C.G.A. §48-8-3(2) and O.C.G.A. §48-8-63.

#### XXVIII. STATE AND FEDERAL LAW REGARDING WORKER VERIFICATION

Effective July 1, 2013 State Law requires that all who enter into a contract for the physical performance of services for all labor or service contract(s) that exceed \$2,499.99 (except for services performed by an individual who is licensed pursuant to Title 26, Title 43, or the State Bar of Georgia) and that all who enter into a contract for public works as defined by O.C.G.A. §36-91-2(12) for the County, must satisfy the Illegal Immigration Reform Enhancements for 2013 in conjunction with the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) of 1986, in all manner, and such are conditions of the contract.

The Purchasing Division Director with the assistance of the Internal Audit Division shall be authorized to conduct random audits of a vendor's or subcontractors' compliance with the Illegal Immigration Reform Enhancements for 2013 and the rules and regulations of the Georgia Department of Labor. The vendor and subcontractors shall retain all documents and records of its compliance for a period of five (5) years following completion of the contract or shall abide by the current time requirements at the time of the contract. This requirement shall apply to all contracts for all public works, labor or service contracts that exceed \$2,499.99 except for services performed by an individual who is licensed pursuant to Title 26, Title 43, or the State Bar of Georgia.

Whenever it appears that a vendor's or subcontractor's records are not sufficient to verify the work eligibility of any individual in the employment of such vendor or subcontractor, the Purchasing Director shall report same to the Department of Homeland Security and may result in termination of the contract if it is determined at any time during the work that the vendor or subcontractor is no longer in compliance with worker verification.

By submitting an offer to the County, vendor agrees that, in the event the vendor employs or contracts with any subcontractor(s) in connection with the covered contract, the vendor will secure from the subcontractor(s) such subcontractor(s') indication of the employee-number category applicable to the subcontractor, as well as attestation(s) from such subcontractor(s) that they follow the Illegal Immigration Reform Enhancements for 2013 in conjunction with all federal requirements. Original signed, notarized Subcontractor Affidavits and Agreements must be maintained by the vendor awarded the contract.

A vendor's or subcontractor's failure to participate in the federal work authorization program as defined above shall be subject to termination of the contract. A vendor's failure to follow Gwinnett County's instruction to terminate a subcontractor that is not participating in the federal work authorization program may be subject to termination of the contract.

#### XXIX. SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

No individual, partnership, corporation, or other entity shall engage in solid waste handling except in such a manner as to conform to and comply with the current Gwinnett County Solid Waste Ordinance and all other applicable local, state and federal legislation, rules, regulation, and orders.

#### XXX. GENERAL CONTRACTORS LICENSE

Effective July 1, 2008: All General Contractors must have a current valid license from the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, unless specifically exempted from holding such license pursuant to Georgia law (O.C.G.A. §43-41-17).

#### XXXI. PRODUCTS MANUFACTURED IN GEORGIA

When contracting for or purchasing supplies, materials, equipment, or agricultural products that exceeds \$100,000.00, excluding beverages for immediate consumption, Gwinnett County shall give preference as far as may be reasonable and practicable to such supplies, materials, equipment, and agricultural products as may be manufactured or produced in this state. Such preference shall not sacrifice quality. Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners shall consider, among other factors, information submitted by the vendor which may include the vendor's estimate of the multiplier effect on gross state domestic product and the effect on public revenues of the state and the effect on public revenues of political subdivisions resulting from acceptance of an offer to sell Georgia manufactured or produced goods as opposed to out-of-state manufactured or produced goods. Any such estimates shall be in writing. (0.C.G.A. §36-84-1).

#### XXXII. INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the vendor shall, at his sole cost and expense, indemnify, defend, satisfy all judgments, and hold harmless the County, its commissioners, officers, agents, and employees

from and against all claims, damages, actions, judgments, costs, penalties, liabilities, losses and expenses, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees arising out of or resulting from the performance of the work, provided that any such claim, damage, action, judgment, cost, penalty, liability, loss or expense (1) is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the work itself) including the loss of use resulting therefrom, and (2) is caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts, errors by any act or omission of the vendor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless whether such claim is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any of the rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this agreement. In any and all claims against the County, its commissioners, officers, agents, and employees by any employee of the vendor, 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 contained herein shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the vendor or any subcontractor under Worker's Compensation Acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

Vendor shall also indemnify, hold harmless, insure, and defend the County for damages, losses, or expenses to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligence, recklessness, or intentionally wrongful conduct of the vendor or other persons employed or utilized by the vendor in the performance of a contract that utilizes survey services.

#### XXXIII. CODE OF ETHICS

Vendors shall disclose under oath the name of all elected officials whom it employs or who have a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the business entity, its affiliates, or its subcontractors. (This shall not apply to informal purchases as defined by the Purchasing Ordinance.) The vendor shall execute a Code of Ethics affidavit. Failure to submit the affidavit during the procurement process shall render the offer non-responsive.

Any business entity holding a contract with Gwinnett County that after execution of the contract or issuance of the purchase order employs, subcontracts with, or transfers a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the business entity to an elected official shall within five (5) days disclose such fact in writing under oath to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners. Failure to comply, or vendors submitting false information or omitting material information shall be referred to the Purchasing Policy & Review Committee for action pursuant to the Purchasing Ordinance or to the District Attorney for possible criminal prosecution. Note: See Gwinnett County Code of Ethics Ordinance EO2011, Sec. 54-33. The ordinance is available to view in its entirety at <a href="https://www.gwinnettcounty.com">www.gwinnettcounty.com</a>.

#### XXXIV. ELECTRONIC PAYMENT

Vendors accepting procurements should select one of Gwinnett County's electronic payment options.

- A. A vendor may select ePayables payment process which allows acceptance of Gwinnett County's virtual credit card as payment for outstanding invoices. The authorized vendor representative must send an email to: <a href="mailto:vendorelectronicpayment@gwinnettcounty.com">vendorelectronicpayment@gwinnettcounty.com</a> and indicate the desire to enroll in Gwinnett County's virtual credit card payment process.
- B. A vendor may select Direct Deposit payment process and the payment will be deposited directly into an account at their designated financial institution. To securely enroll in Direct Deposit, either access your online <a href="Vendor Login and Registration">Vendor Login and Registration</a> on the County's web site and update the requested information on the Direct Deposit tab or mail a <a href="Direct Deposit Authorization Agreement">Direct Deposit Authorization Agreement</a> form.

The County will send a Payment Advice notification via email for both payment types. For more information about Electronic Payments, please visit the Gwinnett County Treasury Division page or click here -> Gwinnett County Electronic Payments.

#### **DIRECTIONS TO GJAC BUILDING FROM I-85**

Take I-85 to Georgia Highway 316 (Lawrenceville/Athens exit). Exit Highway 120 (Lawrenceville/Duluth exit) and turn right. At seventh traffic light, turn right onto Langley Drive. Cross Highway 29 through the traffic light and proceed through the roundabout. Visitors can either proceed to the front parking area on the left or to the parking deck behind the building. Click <a href="here">here</a> for additional information about parking. The Purchasing Division is located on the fourth floor of the Charlotte J. Nash Building. NOTE THAT THE PURCHASING DIVISION HAS TEMPORARILY RELOCATED.