



THE CITY OF WINNIPEG

TENDER

TENDER NO. 36-2022

PROVISION OF AUDIOMETRIC TESTING

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PART B - BIDDING PROCEDURES

B1. CONTRACT TITLE

B1.1 PROVISION OF AUDIOMETRIC TESTING

B2. SUBMISSION DEADLINE

B2.1 The Submission Deadline is 4:00 p.m. Winnipeg time, April 1, 2022.

B2.2 The Contract Administrator or the Manager of Materials may extend the Submission Deadline by issuing an addendum at any time prior to the time and date specified in B2.1.

B3. ENQUIRIES

B3.1 All enquiries shall be directed to the Contract Administrator identified in D5.1.

B3.2 If the Bidder finds errors, discrepancies or omissions in the Tender, or is unsure of the meaning or intent of any provision therein, the Bidder shall promptly notify the Contract Administrator of the error, discrepancy or omission at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline.

B3.3 Responses to enquiries which, in the sole judgment of the Contract Administrator, require a correction to or a clarification of the Tender will be provided by the Contract Administrator to all Bidders by issuing an addendum.

B3.4 Responses to enquiries which, in the sole judgment of the Contract Administrator, do not require a correction to or a clarification of the Tender will be provided by the Contract Administrator only to the Bidder who made the enquiry.

B3.5 The Bidder shall not be entitled to rely on any response or interpretation received pursuant to B3 unless that response or interpretation is provided by the Contract Administrator in writing.

B3.6 Any enquiries concerning submitting through MERX should be addressed to:
MERX Customer Support
Phone: 1-800-964-6379
Email: merx@merx.com

B4. CONFIDENTIALITY

B4.1 Information provided to a Bidder by the City or acquired by a Bidder by way of further enquiries or through investigation is confidential. Such information shall not be used or disclosed in any way without the prior written authorization of the Contract Administrator. The use and disclosure of the confidential information shall not apply to information which:

- (a) was known to the Bidder before receipt hereof; or
- (b) becomes publicly known other than through the Bidder; or
- (c) is disclosed pursuant to the requirements of a governmental authority or judicial order.

B4.2 The Bidder shall not make any statement of fact or opinion regarding any aspect of the Tender to the media or any member of the public without the prior written authorization of the Contract Administrator.

B5. ADDENDA

B5.1 The Contract Administrator may, at any time prior to the Submission Deadline, issue addenda correcting errors, discrepancies or omissions in the Tender, or clarifying the meaning or intent of any provision therein.

- B5.2 The Contract Administrator will issue each addendum at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline, or provide at least two (2) Business Days by extending the Submission Deadline.
- B5.3 Addenda will be available on the MERX website at www.merx.com.
- B5.4 The Bidder is responsible for ensuring that he/she has received all addenda and is advised to check the MERX website for addenda regularly and shortly before the Submission Deadline, as may be amended by addendum.
- B5.5 The Bidder shall acknowledge receipt of each addendum in Paragraph 10 of Form A: Bid/Proposal. Failure to acknowledge receipt of an addendum may render a Bid non-responsive.
- B5.6 Notwithstanding B3, enquiries related to an Addendum may be directed to the Contract Administrator indicated in D5.

B6. SUBSTITUTES

- B6.1 The Work is based on the Plant, Materials and methods specified in the Tender.
- B6.2 Substitutions shall not be allowed unless application has been made to and prior approval has been granted by the Contract Administrator in writing.
- B6.3 Requests for approval of a substitute will not be considered unless received in writing by the Contract Administrator at least five (5) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline.
- B6.4 The Bidder shall ensure that any and all requests for approval of a substitute:
- (a) provide sufficient information and details to enable the Contract Administrator to determine the acceptability of the Plant, Material or method as either an approved equal or alternative;
 - (b) identify any and all changes required in the applicable Work, and all changes to any other Work, which would become necessary to accommodate the substitute;
 - (c) identify any anticipated cost or time savings that may be associated with the substitute;
 - (d) certify that, in the case of a request for approval as an approved equal, the substitute will fully perform the functions called for by the general design, be of equal or superior substance to that specified, is suited to the same use and capable of performing the same function as that specified and can be incorporated into the Work, strictly in accordance with the proposed work schedule and the dates specified in the Supplemental Conditions for Total Performance;
 - (e) certify that, in the case of a request for approval as an approved alternative, the substitute will adequately perform the functions called for by the general design, be similar in substance to that specified, is suited to the same use and capable of performing the same function as that specified and can be incorporated into the Work, strictly in accordance with the proposed work schedule and the dates specified in the Supplemental Conditions for Total Performance.
- B6.5 The Contract Administrator, after assessing the request for approval of a substitute, may in his sole discretion grant approval for the use of a substitute as an "approved equal" or as an "approved alternative", or may refuse to grant approval of the substitute.
- B6.6 The Contract Administrator will provide a response in writing, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the Submission Deadline, to the Bidder who requested approval of the substitute.
- B6.6.1 The Contract Administrator will issue an Addendum, disclosing the approved materials, equipment, methods and products to all potential Bidders. The Bidder requesting and obtaining the approval of a substitute shall be responsible for disseminating information regarding the approval to any person or persons he/she wishes to inform.

- B6.7 If the Contract Administrator approves a substitute as an “approved equal”, any Bidder may use the approved equal in place of the specified item.
- B6.8 If the Contract Administrator approves a substitute as an “approved alternative”, any Bidder bidding that approved alternative may base his Total Bid Price upon the specified item but may also indicate an alternative price based upon the approved alternative. Such alternatives will be evaluated in accordance with B16.
- B6.9 No later claim by the Contractor for an addition to the Total Bid Price because of any other changes in the Work necessitated by the use of an approved equal or an approved alternative will be considered.

B7. BID SUBMISSION

- B7.1 The Bid shall consist of the following components:
- (a) Form A: Bid/Proposal;
 - (b) Form B: Prices;
- B7.2 All components of the Bid shall be fully completed or provided, and submitted by the Bidder no later than the Submission Deadline, with all required entries made clearly and completely.
- B7.3 The Bid shall be submitted electronically through MERX at www.merx.com.
- B7.3.1 Bids will **only** be accepted electronically through MERX.
- B7.4 Bidders are advised that inclusion of terms and conditions inconsistent with the Tender document, including the General Conditions, will be evaluated in accordance with B16.1(a).

B8. BID

- B8.1 The Bidder shall complete Form A: Bid/Proposal, making all required entries.
- B8.2 Paragraph 2 of Form A: Bid/Proposal shall be completed in accordance with the following requirements:
- (a) if the Bidder is a sole proprietor carrying on business in his own name, his name shall be inserted;
 - (b) if the Bidder is a partnership, the full name of the partnership shall be inserted;
 - (c) if the Bidder is a corporation, the full name of the corporation shall be inserted;
 - (d) if the Bidder is carrying on business under a name other than his own, the business name and the name of every partner or corporation who is the owner of such business name shall be inserted.
- B8.2.1 If a Bid is submitted jointly by two or more persons, each and all such persons shall identify themselves in accordance with B8.2.
- B8.3 In Paragraph 3 of Form A: Bid/Proposal, the Bidder shall identify a contact person who is authorized to represent the Bidder for purposes of the Bid.
- B8.4 Paragraph 13 of Form A: Bid/Proposal shall be signed in accordance with the following requirements:
- (a) if the Bidder is a sole proprietor carrying on business in his own name, it shall be signed by the Bidder;
 - (b) if the Bidder is a partnership, it shall be signed by the partner or partners who have authority to sign for the partnership;
 - (c) if the Bidder is a corporation, it shall be signed by its duly authorized officer or officers;

- (d) if the Bidder is carrying on business under a name other than his own, it shall be signed by the registered owner of the business name, or by the registered owner's authorized officials if the owner is a partnership or a corporation.

B8.4.1 The name and official capacity of all individuals signing Form A: Bid/Proposal should be entered below such signatures.

B8.5 If a Bid is submitted jointly by two or more persons, the word "Bidder" shall mean each and all such persons, and the undertakings, covenants and obligations of such joint Bidders in the Bid and the Contract, when awarded, shall be both joint and several.

B9. PRICES

B9.1 The Bidder shall state a price in Canadian funds for each item of the Work identified on Form B: Prices.

B9.1.1 Notwithstanding C12.2.3, prices on Form B: Prices shall not include the Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Manitoba Retail Sales Tax (MRST, also known as PST), which shall be extra where applicable.

B9.2 The quantities listed on Form B: Prices are to be considered approximate only. The City will use said quantities for the purpose of comparing Bids.

B9.3 The quantities for which payment will be made to the Contractor are to be determined by the Work actually performed and completed by the Contractor, to be measured as specified in the applicable Specifications.

B9.4 Payments to Non-Resident Contractors are subject to Non-Resident Withholding Tax pursuant to the Income Tax Act (Canada).

B10. DISCLOSURE

B10.1 Various Persons provided information or services with respect to this Work. In the City's opinion, this relationship or association does not create a conflict of interest because of this full disclosure. Where applicable, additional material available as a result of contact with these Persons is listed below.

B10.2 The Persons are:

- (a) N/A

B11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND GOOD FAITH

B11.1 Further to C3.2, Bidders, by responding to this Tender, declare that no Conflict of Interest currently exists, or is reasonably expected to exist in the future.

B11.2 Conflict of Interest means any situation or circumstance where a Bidder or employee of the Bidder proposed for the Work has:

- (a) other commitments;
- (b) relationships;
- (c) financial interests; or
- (d) involvement in ongoing litigation;
- (e) that could or would be seen to:
 - (i) exercise an improper influence over the objective, unbiased and impartial exercise of the independent judgment of the City with respect to the evaluation of Bids or award of the Contract; or
 - (ii) compromise, impair or be incompatible with the effective performance of a Bidder's obligations under the Contract;

- (f) has contractual or other obligations to the City that could or would be seen to have been compromised or impaired as a result of its participation in the Tender process or the Work; or
- (g) has knowledge of confidential information (other than confidential information disclosed by the City in the normal course of the Tender process) of strategic and/or material relevance to the Tender process or to the Work that is not available to other bidders and that could or would be seen to give that Bidder an unfair competitive advantage.

B11.3 In connection with its Bid, each entity identified in B11.2 shall:

- (a) avoid any perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest in relation to the procurement process and the Work;
- (b) upon discovering any perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest at any time during the Tender process, promptly disclose a detailed description of the Conflict of Interest to the City in a written statement to the Contract Administrator; and
- (c) provide the City with the proposed means to avoid or mitigate, to the greatest extent practicable, any perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest and shall submit any additional information to the City that the City considers necessary to properly assess the perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest.

B11.4 Without limiting B11.3, the City may, in its sole discretion, waive any and all perceived, potential or actual Conflicts of Interest. The City's waiver may be based upon such terms and conditions as the City, in its sole discretion, requires to satisfy itself that the Conflict of Interest has been appropriately avoided or mitigated, including requiring the Bidder to put into place such policies, procedures, measures and other safeguards as may be required by and be acceptable to the City, in its sole discretion, to avoid or mitigate the impact of such Conflict of Interest.

B11.5 Without limiting B11.3, and in addition to all contractual or other rights or rights at law or in equity or legislation that may be available to the City, the City may, in its sole discretion:

- (a) disqualify a Bidder that fails to disclose a perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest of the Bidder or any of its employees proposed for the Work;
- (b) require the removal or replacement of any employees proposed for the Work that has a perceived, actual or potential Conflict of Interest that the City, in its sole discretion, determines cannot be avoided or mitigated;
- (c) disqualify a Bidder or employees proposed for the Work that fails to comply with any requirements prescribed by the City pursuant to B11.4 to avoid or mitigate a Conflict of Interest; and
- (d) disqualify a Bidder if the Bidder, or one of its employees proposed for the Work, has a perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest that, in the City's sole discretion, cannot be avoided or mitigated, or otherwise resolved.

B11.6 The final determination of whether a perceived, potential or actual Conflict of Interest exists shall be made by the City, in its sole discretion.

B12. QUALIFICATION

B12.1 The Bidder shall:

- (a) undertake to be in good standing under The Corporations Act (Manitoba), or properly registered under The Business Names Registration Act (Manitoba), or otherwise properly registered, licensed or permitted by law to carry on business in Manitoba, or if the Bidder does not carry on business in Manitoba, in the jurisdiction where the Bidder does carry on business; and
- (b) be financially capable of carrying out the terms of the Contract; and
- (c) have all the necessary experience, capital, organization, and equipment to perform the Work in strict accordance with the terms and provisions of the Contract.

- B12.2 The Bidder and any proposed Subcontractor (for the portion of the Work proposed to be subcontracted to them) shall:
- (a) be responsible and not be suspended, debarred or in default of any obligations to the City. A list of suspended or debarred individuals and companies is available on the Information Connection page at The City of Winnipeg, Corporate Finance, Materials Management Division website at <https://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/Templates/files/debar.pdf>
- B12.3 The Bidder and/or any proposed Subcontractor (for the portion of the Work proposed to be subcontracted to them) shall:
- (a) have successfully carried out work similar in nature, scope and value to the Work:
 - (i) have significant experience delivering audiometric testing services to large organizations including coordination of appointments, testing and reporting. Significant experience shall be a minimum of three (3) years experience delivering audiometric testing to a large organization, and administering at least one-thousand (1,000) tests for the organization's employees.
 - (b) be fully capable of performing the Work required to be in strict accordance with the terms and provisions of the Contract; and
 - (c) have a written workplace safety and health program, if required, pursuant to The Workplace Safety and Health Act (Manitoba);
 - (d) Upon request of the Contract Administrator, provide the Security Clearances in accordance with PART F - ;
 - (e) Be a Licensed Industrial Audiometric Technician as required to complete the audiometric assessments.
- B12.4 The Bidder shall submit, within three (3) Business Days of a request by the Contract Administrator, proof satisfactory to the Contract Administrator of the qualifications of the Bidder and of any proposed Subcontractor.
- B12.5 The Bidder shall provide, on the request of the Contract Administrator, full access to any of the Bidder's equipment and facilities to confirm, to the Contract Administrator's satisfaction, that the Bidder's equipment and facilities are adequate to perform the Work.
- B13. OPENING OF BIDS AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION**
- B13.1 Bids will not be opened publicly.
- B13.2 Following the Submission Deadline, the names of the Bidders and their Total Bid Prices (unevaluated and pending review and verification of conformance with requirements) will be available on the MERX website at www.merx.com.
- B13.3 After award of Contract, the name(s) of the successful Bidder(s) and their Contract amount(s) will be available on the MERX website at www.merx.com.
- B13.4 The Bidder is advised that any information contained in any Bid may be released if required by The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba), by other authorities having jurisdiction, or by law or by City policy or procedures (which may include access by members of City Council).
- B13.4.1 To the extent permitted, the City shall treat as confidential information, those aspects of a Bid Submission identified by the Bidder as such in accordance with and by reference to Part 2, Section 17 or Section 18 or Section 26 of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba), as amended.

B14. IRREVOCABLE BID

- B14.1 The Bid(s) submitted by the Bidder shall be irrevocable for the time period specified in Paragraph 11 of Form A: Bid/Proposal.
- B14.2 The acceptance by the City of any Bid shall not release the Bids of the next two lowest evaluated responsive Bidders and these Bidders shall be bound by their Bids on such Work until a Contract for the Work has been duly formed and the contract securities have been furnished as herein provided, but any Bid shall be deemed to have lapsed unless accepted within the time period specified in Paragraph 11 of Form A: Bid/Proposal.

B15. WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- B15.1 A Bidder may withdraw his/her Bid without penalty at any time prior to the Submission Deadline.

B16. EVALUATION OF BIDS

- B16.1 Award of the Contract shall be based on the following bid evaluation criteria:
- (a) compliance by the Bidder with the requirements of the Tender, or acceptable deviation therefrom (pass/fail);
 - (b) qualifications of the Bidder and the Subcontractors, if any, pursuant to B12 (pass/fail);
 - (c) Total Bid Price; and
 - (d) economic analysis of any approved alternative pursuant to B6..
- B16.2 Further to B16.1(a), the Award Authority may reject a Bid as being non-responsive if the Bid is incomplete, obscure or conditional, or contains additions, deletions, alterations or other irregularities. The Award Authority may reject all or any part of any Bid, or waive technical requirements or minor informalities or irregularities if the interests of the City so require.
- B16.3 Further to B16.1(b), the Award Authority shall reject any Bid submitted by a Bidder who does not demonstrate, in his Bid or in other information required to be submitted, that he/she is qualified.
- B16.4 Further to B16.1(c), the Total Bid Price shall be the sum of the quantities multiplied by the unit prices for each item shown on Form B: Prices.
- B16.4.1 Further to B16.1(a), in the event that a unit price is not provided on Form B: Prices, the City will determine the unit price by dividing the Amount (extended price) by the approximate quantity, for the purposes of evaluation and payment.
- B16.4.2 Bidders are advised that the calculation indicated in B16.4 will prevail over the Total Bid Price entered in MERX.
- B16.5 This Contract will be awarded as a whole.

B17. AWARD OF CONTRACT

- B17.1 The City will give notice of the award of the Contract, or will give notice that no award will be made.
- B17.2 The City will have no obligation to award a Contract to a Bidder, even though one or all of the Bidders are determined to be qualified, and the Bids are determined to be responsive.
- B17.2.1 Without limiting the generality of B17.2, the City will have no obligation to award a Contract where:
- (a) the prices exceed the available City funds for the Work;
 - (b) the prices are materially in excess of the prices received for similar work in the past;

- (c) the prices are materially in excess of the City's cost to perform the Work, or a significant portion thereof, with its own forces;
- (d) only one Bid is received; or
- (e) in the judgment of the Award Authority, the interests of the City would best be served by not awarding a Contract.

B17.3 Where an award of Contract is made by the City, the award shall be made to the qualified Bidder submitting the lowest evaluated responsive Bid in accordance with B16.

B17.4 Further to Paragraph 7 of Form A: Bid/Proposal and C4, the City may issue a purchase order to the successful Bidder in lieu of the execution of a Contract.

B17.4.1 The Contract Documents, as defined in C1.1(p), in their entirety shall be deemed to be incorporated in and to form a part of the purchase order notwithstanding that they are not necessarily attached to or accompany said purchase order.

PART C - GENERAL CONDITIONS

C0. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- C0.1 The *General Conditions for Supply of Services* (Revision 2020-01-31) are applicable to the Work of the Contract.
- C0.1.1 The *General Conditions for Supply of Services* are available on the Information Connection page at The City of Winnipeg, Corporate Finance, Materials Management Division website at http://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/gen_cond.stm
- C0.2 A reference in the Tender to a section, clause or subclause with the prefix “C” designates a section, clause or subclause in the *General Conditions for Supply of Services*.

PART D - SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS

GENERAL

D1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

D1.1 In addition to the *General Conditions for Supply of Services*, these Supplemental Conditions are applicable to the Work of the Contract.

D2. SCOPE OF WORK

D2.1 The Work to be done under the Contract shall consist of yearly audiometric testing services required under legislation (Part 12 of the Manitoba Workplace Safety and Health Regulation) for the period from May 1, 2022 until April 30, 2023, with the option of five (5) mutually agreed upon one (1) year extensions.

D2.1.1 The City may negotiate the extension option with the Contractor within ninety (90) Calendar Days prior to the expiry date of the Contract. The City shall incur no liability to the Contractor as a result of such negotiations.

D2.1.2 Changes resulting from such negotiations shall become effective on May 1st of the respective year. Changes to the Contract shall not be implemented by the Contractor without written approval by the Contract Administrator.

D2.1.3 Bidders are advised that, in future, the City may be participating in collaborative procurement initiatives with other levels of government. Accordingly, extensions to this Contract may not be exercised.

D2.2 The major components of the Work are as follows:

(a) Audiometric Testing.

D2.3 The Work shall be done on an "as required" basis during the term of the Contract.

D2.3.1 The type and quantity of Work to be performed under this Contract shall be as authorized from time to time by the Contract Administrator and/or Users.

D2.3.2 Subject to C7, the City shall have no obligation under the Contract to purchase any quantity of any item in excess of its actual operational requirements.

D3. COOPERATIVE PURCHASE

D3.1 The Contractor is advised that this is a cooperative purchase.

D3.2 The Contract Administrator may, from time to time during the term of the Contract, approve other public sector organizations and utilities, including but not limited to municipalities, universities, schools and hospitals, to be participants in the cooperative purchase.

D3.3 The Contract Administrator will notify the Contractor of a potential participant and provide a list of the delivery locations and estimated quantities.

D3.4 If any location of the potential participant is more than ten (10) kilometres beyond the boundaries of the City of Winnipeg, the Contractor shall, within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of the written notice, notify the Contract Administrator of the amount of any additional delivery charge for the location.

D3.5 If any additional delivery charges are identified by the Contractor, the potential participant may accept or decline to participate in the cooperative purchase.

D3.6 The Contractor shall enter into a contract with each participant under the same terms and conditions as this Contract except:

- (a) supply under the contract shall not commence until the expiry or lawful termination of any other contract(s) binding the participant for the same goods;
- (b) a participant may specify a duration of contract shorter than the duration of this Contract;
- (c) a participant may specify that only some items under this Contract and/or less than its total requirement for an item are to be supplied under its contract; and
- (d) any additional delivery charge identified and accepted in accordance with clause D3.4 and D3.5 will apply.

D3.7 Each participant will be responsible for the administration of its contract and the fulfilment of its obligations under its contract. The City shall not incur any liability arising from any such contract.

D3.8 No participant shall have the right or authority to effect a change in the Contract, or of any other participant in this Contract.

D4. DEFINITIONS

D4.1 When used in this Tender:

- (a) **"Licensed Industrial Audiometric Technician"** means a person who has been trained and is currently licensed to perform audiometric assessments in the Province of Manitoba;
- (b) **"Mobile testing equipment"** means calibrated audiometric testing equipment and sound booth that can be moved;
- (c) **"User"** means a person, department or other administrative unit of the City authorized by the Contract Administrator to order Work under this Contract.

D5. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR

D5.1 The Contract Administrator is:

Stephanie Mages
Senior Manager of Employee Health and Safety Programs
Telephone No. 204 986-7231
Email Address. SMages@winnipeg.ca

D5.2 At the pre-commencement meeting, the Contract Administrator will identify additional personnel representing the Contract Administrator and their respective roles and responsibilities for the Work.

D6. CONTRACTOR'S SUPERVISOR

D6.1 Further to C6.22, the Contractor shall employ and keep on the Work, at all times during the performance of the Work, a competent supervisor and assistants, if necessary, acceptable to the Contract Administrator. The supervisor shall represent the Contractor on the Site. The supervisor shall not be replaced without the prior consent of the Contract Administrator unless the supervisor proves to be unsatisfactory to the Contractor and ceases to be in his/her employ.

D6.2 Before commencement of Work, the Contractor shall identify his/her designated supervisor and any additional personnel representing the Contractor and their respective roles and responsibilities for the Work.

D6.2.1 Further to C5.5 Contract Administrator may give instructions or orders to the Contractor's supervisor and such instructions or orders shall be deemed to have been given to the Contractor.

D7. NOTICES

- D7.1 Except as provided for in C22.4, all notices, requests, nominations, proposals, consents, approvals, statements, authorizations, documents or other communications to the Contractor shall be sent to the address or facsimile number identified by the Contractor in Paragraph 2 of Form A: Bid/Proposal.
- D7.2 All notices, requests, nominations, proposals, consents, approvals, statements, authorizations, documents or other communications to the City, except as expressly otherwise required in, D7.3 or elsewhere in the Contract, shall be sent to the attention of the Contract Administrator identified in D5.
- D7.3 All notices, requests, nominations, proposals, consents, approvals, statements, authorizations, documents or other communications required to be submitted or returned to the City Solicitor shall be sent to the following facsimile number:
- The City of Winnipeg
Legal Services Department
Attn: Director of Legal Services
Facsimile No.: 204 947-9155.

SUBMISSIONS

D8. AUTHORITY TO CARRY ON BUSINESS

- D8.1 The Contractor shall be in good standing under The Corporations Act (Manitoba), or properly registered under The Business Names Registration Act (Manitoba), or otherwise properly registered, licensed or permitted by law to carry on business in Manitoba, or if the Contractor does not carry on business in Manitoba, in the jurisdiction where the Contractor does carry on business, throughout the term of the Contract, and shall provide the Contract Administrator with evidence thereof upon request.

D9. INSURANCE

- D9.1 The Contractor shall provide and maintain the following insurance coverage:
- (a) commercial general liability insurance, in the amount of at least two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) inclusive, with The City of Winnipeg added as an additional insured; such liability policy to also contain a cross-liability clause, non-owned automobile liability and products and completed operations cover, to remain in place at all times during the performance of the Work;
 - (b) if applicable, Automobile Liability Insurance covering all motor vehicles, owned and operated and used or to be used by the Contractor directly or indirectly in the performance of the Service. The Limit of Liability shall not be less than \$2,000,000 inclusive for loss or damage including personal injuries and death resulting from any one accident or occurrence;
- D9.2 Deductibles shall be borne by the Contractor.
- D9.3 The Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with a certificate(s) of insurance, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, at least two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of any Work on the Site but in no event later than the date specified in C4.1 for the return of the executed Contract Documents, as applicable.
- D9.4 The Contractor shall not cancel, materially alter, or cause the policy to lapse without providing at least thirty (30) Calendar Days prior written notice to the Contract Administrator.
- D9.5 The City shall have the right to alter the limits and/or coverages as reasonably required from time to time during the continuance of this agreement.

D10. DETAILED PRICES

- D10.1 The Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with a detailed price breakdown (Form I: Detailed Prices) at least two (2) Business Days prior to the commencement of any Work on the Site but in no event later than the date specified in C4.1 for the return of the executed Contract Documents, if applicable.
- D10.2 The Contractor shall state a price for each item or sub-item of the Work identified on Form I: Detailed Prices. The detailed prices must be consistent with the price(s) provided in the Contractor's Bid.

SCHEDULE OF WORK

D11. COMMENCEMENT

- D11.1 The Contractor shall not commence any Work until he/she is in receipt of a notice of award from the City authorizing the commencement of the Work.
- D11.2 The Contractor shall not commence any Work on the Site until:
- (a) the Contract Administrator has confirmed receipt and approval of:
 - (i) evidence of authority to carry on business specified in D8;
 - (ii) evidence of the workers compensation coverage specified in C6.14;
 - (iii) evidence of the insurance specified in D9;
 - (iv) the direct deposit application form specified in D19; and
 - (b) the Contractor has attended a meeting with the Contract Administrator, or the Contract Administrator has waived the requirement for a meeting.

D12. COVID-19 SCHEDULE DELAYS

- D12.1 The City acknowledges that the schedule for this Contract may be impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Commencement and progress of the Work shall be performed by the Contractor with due consideration to the health and safety of workers and the public, directives from health authorities and various levels of government and in close consultation with the Contract Administrator.
- D12.2 If the Contractor is delayed in the performance of the Work by reason of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Work schedule may be adjusted by a period of time equal to the time lost due to such delay and costs related to such delay will be determined as identified herein.
- D12.3 A minimum of seven (7) Calendar Days prior to the commencement of Work, the Contractor shall declare whether COVID-19 will affect the start date. The Contractor shall provide sufficient evidence that the delay is directly related to COVID-19, including but not limited to evidence related to availability of staff, availability of Material or work by others.
- D12.4 For any delay related to COVID-19 and identified after Work has commenced, the Contractor shall within seven (7) Calendar Days of becoming aware of the anticipated delay declare the additional delay and shall provide sufficient evidence as indicated in D12.3. Failure to provide this notice will result in no additional time delays being considered by the City.
- D12.5 Any time or cost implications as a result of COVID-19 and in accordance with the above, as confirmed by the Contract Administrator, shall be documented in accordance with C7.

CONTROL OF WORK

D13. THE WORKPLACE SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT (MANITOBA) - QUALIFICATIONS

D13.1 Further to B12.3, the Contractor/Subcontractor must, throughout the term of the Contract, have a Workplace Safety and Health Program meeting the requirements of The Workplace Safety and Health Act (Manitoba). At any time during the term of the Contract, the City may, at its sole discretion and acting reasonably, require updated proof of compliance, as set out in B12.3.

D14. SAFETY

D14.1 The Contractor shall be solely responsible for safety at the Site and for compliance with all laws, rules, regulations and practices required by the applicable safety legislation.

D14.2 The Contractor shall be solely responsible for securing the Site, and any existing facility thereon, and for the proper care and protection of the Work already performed.

D14.3 The Contractor shall do whatever is necessary to ensure that:

- (a) no person, property, right, easement or privilege is injured, damaged or infringed by reason of the Contractor's activities in performing the Work;
- (b) the health and safety of all persons employed in the performance of the Work or otherwise is not endangered by the method or means of its performance;
- (c) adequate medical services are available to all persons employed on the Work and at all times during the performance of the Work;
- (d) adequate sanitation measures are taken and facilities provided with respect to the Work;
- (e) pedestrian and other traffic on any public or private road or waterway is not unduly impeded, interrupted or endangered by the performance or existence of the Work or Plant;
- (f) fire hazards in or about the Work are eliminated;

D14.4 The Contractor must ensure they are compliant with all public health directives and guidance provided by the Province of Manitoba, as well as general precautionary measures of the City of Winnipeg. It is expected that the contractor will assess the risk associated with COVID-19 and implement appropriate control measures to ensure the work they do is safe.

D14.5 The Contractor shall follow the current Manitoba Public Health Orders for COVID 19 and the City of Winnipeg COVID 19 protocols which include self-screening, wearing a mask, and may include proof of full-vaccination for COVID 19 or providing regular negative COVID 19 test results.

D15. DEFICIENCIES

D15.1 Further to C11.7, the Contract Administrator may order the Contractor to alter or improve his/her methods, to increase or improve his/her Plant, to furnish additional or more suitable Material, or to employ additional or more qualified labour if, at any time, the Contract Administrator determines that:

- (a) the Work is not being, or will likely not be, performed satisfactorily; or
- (b) progress is not being, or will likely not be, maintained in accordance with the work schedule.

D16. ORDERS

D16.1 The Contractor shall provide a local Winnipeg telephone number or a toll-free telephone number at which orders for service may be placed.

D17. RECORDS

- D17.1 The Contractor shall keep detailed records of the services supplied under the Contract.
- D17.2 The Contractor shall record, as a minimum, for each item listed on Form B: Prices:
- (a) user name(s) and addresses;
 - (b) order date(s);
 - (c) service date(s); and
 - (d) description and quantity of services provided.
- D17.3 The Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with a copy of the records for each quarter year within fifteen (15) Calendar Days of a request of the Contract Administrator.

MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

D18. INVOICES

- D18.1 Further to C12, the Contractor shall submit an invoice for each portion of work performed to:
- The City of Winnipeg
Corporate Finance - Accounts Payable
4th Floor, Administration Building, 510 Main Street
Winnipeg MB R3B 1B9
- Facsimile No.: 204 949-0864
Send Invoices to CityWpgAP-INVOICES@winnipeg.ca
Send Invoice Inquiries to CityWpgAP-INQUIRIES@winnipeg.ca
- D18.2 Invoices must clearly indicate, as a minimum:
- (a) the City's purchase order number;
 - (b) date of delivery;
 - (c) delivery address;
 - (d) type and quantity of work performed;
 - (e) the amount payable with GST and MRST shown as separate amounts; and
 - (f) the Contractor's GST registration number.
- D18.3 The City will bear no responsibility for delays in approval of invoices which are improperly submitted.

D19. PAYMENT

- D19.1 Further to C12, the City shall make payments to the Contractor by direct deposit to the Contractor's banking institution, and by no other means. Payments will not be made until the Contractor has made satisfactory direct deposit arrangements with the City. Direct deposit application forms are at https://winnipeg.ca/finance/files/Direct_Deposit_Form.pdf.

WARRANTY

D20. WARRANTY

- D20.1 Notwithstanding C13, Warranty does not apply to this Contract.

D21. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- D21.1 The entire text of C21.4 is deleted, and amended to read: "Intentionally Deleted"

- D21.2 The entire text of C21.5 is deleted, and amended to read:
- (a) If Legal Services has determined that the Disputed Matter may proceed in the Appeal Process, the Contractor must, within ten (10) Business Days of the date of the Legal Services Response Letter, submit his written Appeal Form, in the manner and format set out on the City's Materials Management Website, to the Chief Administrative Officer, and to the Contract Administrator. The Contractor may not raise any other disputes other than the Disputed Matter in his Appeal Form.
- D21.3 Further to C21, prior to the Contract Administrator's issuance of a Final Determination, the following informal dispute resolution process shall be followed where the Contractor disagrees with any opinion, determination, or decision of the Contract Administrator ("Dispute"):
- (a) In the event of a Dispute, attempts shall be made by the Contract Administrator and the Contractor's equivalent representative to resolve Disputes within the normal course of project dealings between the Contract Administrator and the Contractor's equivalent representative.
 - (b) Disputes which in the reasonable opinion of the Contract Administrator or the Contractor's equivalent representative cannot be resolved within the normal course of project dealings as described above shall be referred to a without prejudice escalating negotiation process consisting of, at a minimum, the position levels as shown below and the equivalent Contractor representative levels:
 - (i) The Contract Administrator;
 - (ii) Supervisory level between the Contract Administrator and applicable Department Head;
 - (iii) Department Head.
- D21.3.1 Names and positions of Contractor representatives equivalent to the above City position levels shall be determined by the Contractor and communicated to the City at the pre-commencement or kick off meeting.
- D21.3.2 As these negotiations are not an adjudicative hearing, neither party may have legal counsel present during the negotiations.
- D21.3.3 Both the City and the Contractor agree to make all reasonable efforts to conduct the above escalating negotiation process within twenty (20) Business Days, unless both parties agree, in writing, to extend that period of time.
- D21.3.4 If the Dispute is not resolved to the City and Contractor's mutual satisfaction after discussions have occurred at the final escalated level as described above, or the time period set out in D21.3.3, as extended if applicable, has elapsed, the Contract Administrator will issue a Final Determination as defined in C1.1(v), at which point the parties will be governed by the Dispute Resolution process set out in C21.

THIRD PARTY AGREEMENTS

D22. FUNDING AND/OR CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT OBLIGATIONS

- D22.1 In the event that funding for the Work of the Contract is provided to the City of Winnipeg by the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada, the following terms and conditions shall apply, as required by the applicable funding agreements.
- D22.2 Further to D22.1, in the event that the obligations in 22 apply, actual costs legitimately incurred by the Contractor as a direct result of these obligations ("Funding Costs") shall be determined by the actual cost to the Contractor and not by the valuation method(s) outlined in C7.4. In all other respects Funding Costs will be processed in accordance with Changes in Work under C7.
- D22.3 For the purposes of D22:
- (a) "Government of Canada" includes the authorized officials, auditors, and representatives of the Government of Canada; and

- (b) "Government of Manitoba" includes the authorized officials, auditors, and representatives of the Government of Manitoba.

D22.4 Modified Insurance Requirements

- D22.4.1 Where applicable, the Contractor will be required to provide wrap-up liability insurance in an amount of no less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000) inclusive per occurrence. Such policy will be written in the joint names of the City, Contractor, Consultants and all sub-contractors and sub-consultants and include twelve (12) months completed operations. The Government of Manitoba and its Ministers, officers, employees, and agents shall be added as additional insureds.
- D22.4.2 If applicable the Contractor will be required to provide builders' risk insurance (including boiler and machinery insurance, as applicable) providing all risks coverage at full replacement cost, or such lower level of insurance that the City may identify on a case-by-case basis, such as an installation floater.
- D22.4.3 The Contractor shall obtain and maintain third party liability insurance with minimum coverage of two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence on all licensed vehicles operated at the Site. In the event that this requirement conflicts with another licensed vehicle insurance requirement in this Contract, then the requirement that provides the higher level of insurance shall apply.
- D22.4.4 Insurers shall provide satisfactory Certificates of Insurance to the Government of Manitoba prior to commencement of Work as written evidence of the insurance required. The Certificates of Insurance must provide for a minimum of thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Government of Manitoba in case of insurance cancellation.
- D22.4.5 All policies must be taken out with insurers licensed to carry on business in the Province of Manitoba.

D22.5 Indemnification By Contractor

- D22.5.1 In addition to the indemnity obligations outlined in C17 of the General Conditions for Services, the Contractor agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Government of Canada and the Government of Manitoba and each of their respective Ministers, officers, servants, employees, and agents from and against all claims and demands, losses, costs, damages, actions, suit or other proceedings brought or pursued in any manner in respect of any matter caused by the Contractor or arising from this Contract or the Work, or from the goods or services provided or required to be provided by the Contractor, except those resulting from the negligence of any of the Government of Canada's or the Government of Manitoba's Ministers, officers, servants, employees, or agents, as the case may be.
- D22.5.2 The Contractor agrees that in no event will Canada or Manitoba, their respective officers, servants, employees or agents be held liable for any damages in contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise, for:
- (a) any injury to any person, including, but not limited to, death, economic loss or infringement of rights;
 - (b) any damage to or loss or destruction of property of any person; or
 - (c) any obligation of any person, including, but not limited to, any obligation arising from a loan, capital lease or other long term obligation;

in relation to this Contract or the Work.

D22.6 Records Retention and Audits

- D22.6.1 The Contractor shall maintain and preserve accurate and complete records in respect of this Contract and the Work, including all accounting records, financial documents, copies of contracts with other parties and other records relating to this Contract and the Work during the term of the Contract and for at least six (6) years after Total Performance.

Those records bearing original signatures or professional seals or stamps must be preserved in paper form; other records may be retained in electronic form.

D22.6.2 In addition to the record keeping and inspection obligations outlined in C6 of the General Conditions for Services, the Contractor shall keep available for inspection and audit at all reasonable times while this Contract is in effect and until at least six (6) years after Total Performance, all records, documents, and contracts referred to in D22.6.1 for inspection, copying and audit by the City of Winnipeg, the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada and their respective representatives and auditors, and to produce them on demand; to provide reasonable facilities for such inspections, copying and audits, to provide copies of and extracts from such records, documents, or contracts upon request by the City of Winnipeg, the Government of Manitoba, and/or the Government of Canada and their respective representatives and auditors, and to promptly provide such other information and explanations as may be reasonably requested by the City of Winnipeg, the Government of Manitoba, and/or the Government of Canada from time-to-time.

D22.7 Other Obligations

D22.7.1 The Contractor consents to the City providing a copy of the Contract Documents to the Government of Manitoba and/or the Government of Canada upon request from either entity.

D22.7.2 If the Lobbyists Registration Act (Manitoba) applies to the Contractor, the Contractor represents and warrants that it has filed a return and is registered and in full compliance with the obligations of that Act, and covenants that it will continue to comply for the duration of this Contract.

D22.7.3 The Contractor shall comply with all applicable legislation and standards, whether federal, provincial, or municipal, including (without limitation) labour, environmental, and human rights laws, in the course of providing the Work.

D22.7.4 The Contractor shall properly account for the Work provided under this Contract and payment received in this respect, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in effect in Canada, including those principles and standards approved or recommended from time-to-time by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada or the Public Sector Accounting Board, as applicable, applied on a consistent basis.

D22.7.5 The Contractor represents and warrants that no current or former public servant or public office holder, to whom the Value and Ethics Code for the Public Sector, the Policy on Conflict of Interest and Post Employment, or the Conflict of Interest Act applies, shall derive direct benefit from this Contract, including any employment, payments, or gifts, unless the provision or receipt of such benefits is in compliance with such codes and the legislation.

D22.7.6 The Contractor represents and warrants that no member of the House of Commons or of the Senate of Canada or of the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba is a shareholder, director or officer of the Contractor or of a Subcontractor, and that no such member is entitled to any benefits arising from this Contract or from a contract with the Contractor or a Subcontractor concerning the Work.

PART E - SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL

E1. APPLICABLE SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS

E1.1 These Specifications shall apply to the Work.

E1.2 The following are applicable to the Work:

<u>Specification No.</u>	<u>Specification Title</u>
Appendix A	Audiometric Testing Scheduling and Reporting Procedures

E1.3 Bidders are reminded that requests for approval of substitutes as an approved equal or an approved alternative shall be made in accordance with B6. In every instance where a brand name or design specification is used, the City will also consider approved equals and/or approved alternatives in accordance with B6.

E2. SERVICES

E2.1 The Contractor shall complete audiometric assessments in accordance with the requirements hereinafter specified.

E2.2 Item No. 1– Audiometric Testing – Using City of Winnipeg Testing Booth shall be:

- (a) Coordinated and scheduled as required by the City's Hearing Conservation Procedures and Manitoba Workplace Safety and Health Legislation with User departmental designates as outlined in the Audiometric Testing Scheduling and Reporting Procedures:
 - (i) List of departmental designates will be provided to the Contractor upon Award of Contract; and
 - (ii) See Appendix A for details of the Audiometric Testing Scheduling and Reporting Procedures.
- (b) Perform audiometric testing according to legislative requirements via the City of Winnipeg Testing Booth at the City's facilities. The Contractor shall use their own equipment to perform the testing;
- (c) Results of tests performed shall be recorded in the City of Winnipeg's PeopleSoft software within two (2) Business Days of performing a test;
- (d) Provide employee education according to legislative requirements including annual review of hearing protection selection and use;
- (e) Maintain audiometric testing records by inputting test results into PeopleSoft using City of Winnipeg data recording equipment;
- (f) Assist Safety Officers in identifying areas that may require the assessment of sound exposure in City of Winnipeg workplaces; and
- (g) Review departmental summary results with designated Occupational Health Nurse.

E2.3 Item No. 2 - Audiometric Testing - Using Mobile Equipment Provided by the Contractor shall be:

- (a) Coordinate and schedule annual audiometric testing with User Departmental designates as outlined in the City of Winnipeg Hearing Conservation Program;
 - (i) List of departmental designates will be provided to the Contractor upon Award of Contract; and
 - (ii) See Appendix A for details of the City of Winnipeg Hearing Conservation Program.

- (b) Perform audiometric testing according to legislative requirements via a mobile sound booth unit at the City's facilities. Use of a Contractor supplied mobile unit will be required. The Contractor shall use their own equipment to perform the testing;
- (c) Results of tests performed shall be recorded in the City of Winnipeg's PeopleSoft software within two (2) Business Days of performing a test;
- (d) Provide employee education according to legislative requirements including annual review of hearing protection selection and use;
- (e) Maintain audiometric testing records by inputting test results into PeopleSoft using City of Winnipeg data recording equipment;
- (f) Assist Safety Officers in identifying areas that may require the assessment of sound exposure in City of Winnipeg workplaces; and
- (g) Review departmental summary results with designated Occupational Health Nurse.

E2.4 Item No. 3 - Attend Meetings shall be:

- (a) The Contract Administrator will request a date and time for meetings, giving no less than ten (10) Business Days notification to which the Contractor shall attend; and
- (b) Meetings will provide consultation to Occupational Health Services within the Occupational Health and Wellness Branch of Corporate Support Services Department, for the enhancement of the City of Winnipeg's Hearing Conversation Program.

E2.5 Item No. 4 - Preparation of Annual Report shall be:

- (a) Preparation of an Annual Hearing Report as required by Manitoba legislation. Report to include:
 - (i) information about annual audiometric tests performed; and results of tests performed.

PART F - SECURITY CLEARANCE

F1. SECURITY CLEARANCE

- F1.1 The City will conduct a Level Two Security Clearance Check for:
- (a) owner(s), members of the Board of Directors and persons with controlling interest in the company; and
 - (b) any individual proposed to perform Work under the Contract for the Winnipeg Police Service.
- F1.2 The Contractor shall provide the Contract Administrator with:
- (a) a list of individuals identified in F1.1:
 - (i) within five (5) Business Days of the Award of Contract; or
 - (ii) in the case of additional or replacement individuals during the term of the Contract, at least thirty (30) Calendar Days before they assume their controlling role within the company or are proposed to commence Work for the Winnipeg Police Service.
 - (b) A completed Form P-608: Security Clearance Check authorization form available at <https://www.winnipeg.ca/matmgt/templates/information.stm#securitycheck> . Form P-608 must be signed and dated.
 - (i) Signature of Witness shall be signed by the contact person stated on Paragraph 3 of Form A: Bid/Proposal.
- F1.3 Each individual shall submit the required information and form to the Winnipeg Police Service Division 30 Security Section Supervisor at Main Floor, 245 Smith Street:
- (a) within five (5) Business Days of the Award of Contract; or
 - (b) in the case of an additional or replacement individual during the term of the Contract, at least thirty (30) Calendar Days before they assume their controlling role within the company or are proposed to commence Work for the Winnipeg Police Service.
- F1.4 Any company for whom a satisfactory Level Two Security Clearance is not obtained for all owner(s), member(s) of the Board of Directors; and persons with controlling interests in the company will not be qualified for award of Contract.
- F1.5 Any individual proposed to do the Work for whom a satisfactory Level Two Security Clearance is not obtained will not be permitted to perform any Work for Winnipeg Police Service or the Department of Wastewater Services.
- F1.6 Any satisfactory Security Clearance obtained thereby will be deemed valid for one (1) year from the date of clearance, subject to a repeated Security Clearance Check as hereinafter specified.
- (a) Each individual doing Work in a Winnipeg Police Service Facility shall provide photo identification upon entry, in order that their Level Two security clearance can be verified.
- F1.7 Notwithstanding the foregoing, at any time during the term of the Contract, the City may, at its sole discretion and acting reasonably, require a further Security Clearance Check.
- F1.7.1 The Contract will be terminated with any Contractor should any owner(s), member(s) of the Board of Directors; or persons with controlling interest in the company fail to obtain a satisfactory Security Clearance Check as a result of a repeated Security Clearance Check.
- F1.7.1 Any individual who fails to obtain a satisfactory Security Clearance Check as a result of a repeated Security Clearance Check will not be permitted to continue to perform Work under the Contract for the Winnipeg Police Service.
- F1.8 If a person fails a Winnipeg Police Service security clearance check at any level, they will not be able to apply for another clearance for 2 years.