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No Pre-Bid Conference will be held.
Question Submittal Deadline is September 14, 2017.

Bid Due Date: October 3, 2017 @ 3:00 p.m. local time

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP NO. RTSX-180030-DS

GAINESVILLE AUTONOMOUS TRANSIT SHUTTLE (GAToRS)

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**CITY OF GAINESVILLE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
GAINESVILLE AUTONOMOUS TRANSIT SHUTTLE (GAToRS)**

SECTION I – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL OVERVIEW & PROPOSAL PROCEDURES

RFP#: RTSX-180030-DS

Date: August 28, 2017

A. INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The City of Gainesville (hereafter “City”) is requesting proposals from well qualified and experienced parties to provide a self-driving, autonomous shared ride shuttle service from City of Gainesville Downtown area to the University of Florida (UF) along SE 3rd Street, 5th Avenue, Newell Drive, and University Avenue. The project known as Gainesville Autonomous Transit Shuttle (GAToRS) consists of moving people, to learn about public attitudes towards automation in transportation, and to document the safety benefits of such a service and bring Highly Automated Vehicles (HAV) forward within a Connected Vehicle (CV) environment. The service should be fulfilled by a multi-passenger, shared use, electric HAV with climate control and a variety of other features. Proposer will coordinate with UF for testing, developing or analyzing new applications.

B. RFP TIME TABLE

The anticipated schedule for the RFP and contract approval is as follows:

RFP available for distribution	August 28, 2017
Deadline for receipt of questions	September 14, 2017
Deadline for receipt of proposals	October 3, 2017 (3:00 p.m. local time)
Evaluation/Selection process	Week of October 9, 2017
Discussions/Oral presentations (if conducted)	Week of October 23, 2017
Deadline for Best and Final Offer (if needed)	November 8, 2017
Projected award recommendation date	November 28, 2017
City Commission approval	January 4, 2018
Projected contract start date	March 1, 2018

C. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

One original and 8 copies (a total of 9) of the complete proposal must be received by October 3, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. local time at which time all proposals will be publicly opened. In addition, proposer should provide one (1) electronic copy of their proposal in PDF format on a CD or USB flash drive. Electronic document should not be password protected, encrypted, etc.

The original, all copies, and the separate sealed price envelope, if required, must be submitted in a sealed envelope or container stating on the outside the proposer’s name, address, telephone number, RFP title, number and due date and delivered to:

City of Gainesville
General Government Procurement
200 East University Avenue, Room 339
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Hand-carried and express mail proposals may be delivered to the above address **ONLY** between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., local time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays observed by the City.

Proposers are responsible for informing any commercial delivery service, if used, of all delivery requirements and for ensuring that the required address information appears on the outer wrapper or envelope used by such service.

Any proposal received after 3:00 p.m. (local time), October 3, 2017 will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

Both the Technical Proposal and the Price Proposal, if required to be submitted in a separate envelope, must be signed by an officer of the company who is legally authorized to enter into a contractual relationship in the name of the proposer, and proposer(s) must affix their company's corporate seal to both Proposals. In the absence of a corporate seal, the Proposals must be notarized by a Notary Public.

The submittal of a proposal by a proposer will be considered by the City as constituting an offer by the Proposer to perform the required services at the stated fees.

D. PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE

A pre-proposal conference will not be held. Bidders may submit questions to the buyer by the question submittal deadline stated on the front page of this solicitation.

E. CONTACT PERSON

The contact person for this RFP is Daphyne SESCO, Senior Buyer, at (352) 334-5021 in Procurement. Explanation(s) desired by proposer(s) regarding the meaning or interpretation of this RFP must be requested from the contact person, in writing, as is further described below.

To ensure fair consideration and consistent and accurate dissemination of information for all proposers, the City prohibits communication to or with any department, employee, or agent evaluating or considering the proposals during the submission process, except as authorized by the contact person.

During the blackout period as defined herein, except as pursuant to an authorized appeal, no person may lobby, as defined herein, on behalf of a competing party in a particular procurement process, City officials or employees except the procurement designated staff contact in the Procurement Division. Violation of this provision shall result in disqualification of the party on whose behalf the lobbying occurred.

The blackout period means the period between the issue date which allows for immediate submittals to the City of Gainesville Procurement Department for an invitation for bid or the request for proposal, or qualifications, or information, or the invitation to negotiate, as applicable, and the time City officials and employees award the contract. Lobbying means when any natural person, for compensation, seeks to influence the governmental decision-making, to encourage the passage, defeat or modification of any proposal, recommendation or decision by City officials and employees, except as authorized by procurement documents.

F. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/ADDENDA

Requests for additional information or clarifications must be made in writing no later than the date specified in the RFP Timetable. The request must contain the proposer's name, address, phone number, and facsimile number. Electronic facsimile will be accepted at (352) 334-3163.

Facsimiles must have a cover sheet which includes, at a minimum, the proposer's name, address, number of pages transmitted, phone number, and facsimile number.

The City will issue responses to inquiries and any other corrections or amendments it deems necessary in written addenda issued prior to the Proposal Due Date. Proposers should not rely on any representations, statements or explanations other than those made in this

RFP or in any addendum to this RFP. Where there appears to be a conflict between the RFP and any addenda issued, the last addendum issued will prevail.

It is the proposer's responsibility to be sure all addenda were received. The proposer should verify with the designated contact persons prior to submitting a proposal that all addenda have been received. Proposers are required to acknowledge the number of addenda received as part of their proposals.

G. LATE PROPOSALS, LATE MODIFICATIONS AND LATE WITHDRAWALS

Proposals received after the Proposal Due Date and time are late and will not be considered. Modifications received after the Proposal Due Date are also late and will not be considered. Letters of withdrawal received after the Proposal Due Date or after contract award, whichever is applicable, are late and will not be considered.

H. RFP POSTPONEMENT/CANCELLATION/WAIVER OF IRREGULARITIES

The City may, at its sole and absolute discretion, reject any and all, or parts of any and all, proposals; re-advertise this RFP; postpone or cancel, at any time, this RFP process; or waive any irregularities in this RFP or in the proposals received as a result of this RFP.

I. COSTS INCURRED BY PROPOSERS

All expenses involved with the preparation and submission of proposals to the City, or any work performed in connection therewith shall be borne by the proposer(s). No payment will be made for any responses received, nor for any other effort required of or made by the proposer(s) prior to commencement of work as defined by a contract approved by the City Commission.

J. ORAL PRESENTATION

The City may require proposers to give oral presentations in support of their proposals or to exhibit or otherwise demonstrate the information contained therein.

K. EXCEPTION TO THE RFP

Proposers may take exceptions to any of the terms of this RFP unless the RFP specifically states where exceptions may not be taken. Should a proposer take exception where none is permitted, the proposal will be rejected as non-responsive. All exceptions taken must be specific, and the Proposer must indicate clearly what alternative is being offered to allow the City a meaningful opportunity to evaluate and determine if the proposal falls within the competitive range.

Where exceptions are permitted, the City shall determine the acceptability of the proposed exceptions and the proposals will be evaluated based on the proposals as submitted. The City, after completing evaluations, may accept or reject the exceptions. Where exceptions are rejected, the City may request that the Proposer furnish the services or goods described herein, or negotiate an acceptable alternative.

L. TRADE SECRET AND/OR CONFIDENTIAL AND/OR PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

All proposals (including all documentation and materials attached to proposals or provided in connection with this RFP) submitted to the City are subject to Florida's public records laws (i.e., Chapter 119, Florida Statutes), which requires disclosure of public records, unless exempt, if a public records request is made. Proposals (including all documentation and materials attached to proposals or provided in connection with this RFP (even if in a separate envelope)) submitted to the City cannot be returned. The City will not consider proposals if the entire proposal is labeled a Trade Secret and/or Confidential and/or Proprietary.

If proposer believes that its proposal contains information that is a trade secret (as defined by Florida law) and/or information that is confidential and/or proprietary and therefore exempt from disclosure then such information must be submitted in a separate envelope and comply with the following requirements. In addition to submitting the information in a separate envelope, proposer must include a general description of the information designated as a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary and provide reference to the Florida statute or other law which exempts such designated information from disclosure in the event a public records request.

The City does not warrant or guarantee that information designated by proposer as a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary is a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary and exempt from disclosure. The City offers no opinion as to whether the reference to the Florida statute or other law by proposer is/are correct and/or accurate. The City will notify proposer if a public records request is received and proposer, at its own expense, will have forty-eight (48) hours after receipt of such notice (email notice is acceptable notice) to file the necessary court documents to obtain a protective order.

Please be aware that the designation of information as a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary may be challenged in court by any person or entity. By designation of information as a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary proposer agrees to defend the City, its employees, agents and elected and appointed officials ("Indemnified Parties") against all claims and actions (whether or not a lawsuit is commenced) related to its designation of information as a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary and to hold harmless the Indemnified Parties for any award to a plaintiff for damages, costs and attorneys' fees, and for costs and attorneys' fees {including those of the City Attorney's office) incurred by the City by reason of any claim or action arising out of or related to proposer's designation of information as a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary.

Failure to comply with the requirements above shall be deemed as a waiver by proposer to claim that all additional information in its proposal is a trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary regardless if such information is labeled trade secret and/or confidential and/or proprietary. Proposer acknowledges and agrees that all information in proposer's proposal (not including information in Section L) will be disclosed, without any notice to proposer, if a public records request is made for such information.

Please be advised that proposer's proposal, including the information submitted in a separate envelope in accordance with the requirements set forth in this Section L, will be distributed to the Evaluation Committee members, City staff and City Consultants to allow proposer's entire proposal, including the information submitted in a separate envelope, to be evaluated and considered for award of this Contract. The entire contents of Proposer's proposal, including the information submitted in a separate envelope, may be discussed at meetings that are open to the public, subject to the requirements set forth in Chapter 286, Florida Statutes. In the event a public records request is received the City will notify Proposer and Proposer, at its own expense, will have forty-eight (48) hours after receipt of such notice (e-mail notice is acceptable notice) to file the necessary court documents to obtain a protective order.

M. QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSERS

As a part of the Proposal evaluation process, City may conduct a background investigation of proposer, including a record check by the Gainesville Police Department. Proposer's submission of a Proposal constitutes acknowledgment of the process and consent to such investigation.

No proposal shall be accepted from, nor will any contract be awarded to, any proposer who is in arrears to City upon any debt, fee, tax or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to City, or who is otherwise determined to be irresponsible or unreliable by City.

If Proposer is determined to be irresponsible or unreliable, City will notify Proposer of its finding, including evidence used, and allow proposer an informal hearing and the opportunity to come into compliance within three business days of notification.

N. NEGOTIATIONS

The City may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the proposer's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

The City reserves the right to enter into contract negotiations with all proposers who fall within the competitive range (refer to Section IV – Evaluation Criteria and Procedures for more information).

O. RIGHTS OF APPEAL

Participants in this RFP solicitation may protest RFP specifications or award in accordance with Section 41-580 of the City of Gainesville's Financial Services Procedures Manual.

P. RULES; REGULATIONS; LICENSING REQUIREMENT

The proposer shall comply with all laws, ordinances and regulations applicable to the services contemplated herein, including those applicable to conflict of interest and collusion. Proposers are presumed to be familiar with all Federal, State and local laws, ordinances, codes and regulations that may in any way affect the services offered.

Q. REVIEW OF PROPOSALS

Each proposal will be reviewed to determine if the proposal is responsive to the submission requirements outlined in the RFP. A responsive proposal is one which follows the requirements of the RFP, includes all required documentation, is submitted in the format outlined in the RFP, is of timely submission, and has the appropriate signatures as required on each document. Failure to comply with these requirements may deem your proposal non-responsive.

R. LOCAL SMALL AND SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

It is the policy of the City of Gainesville that all local small and service-disabled veteran businesses as defined in the Local Small Business Procurement Program Policies and Procedures, have the maximum practical opportunity to participate in contracting opportunities provided by the City. In keeping with this policy, each proposer is asked to state whether it will utilize small and service-disabled veteran that are eligible for assistance to perform work on the project(s) being advertised. For firms not yet certified by the City, a small and service-disabled veteran application may be requested and submitted to the Office of Equal Opportunity. Applications can be downloaded from the Office of Equal Opportunity website at <http://www.cityofgainesville.org/OfficeofEqualOpportunity.aspx>. To be considered as a certified small and/or service-disabled veteran, a proposer must have a current certificate at the time of the solicitation submittal due date. For more information on certified small and service-disabled veteran businesses, please visit the Office of Equal Opportunity's website.

S. RECORDS/AUDIT

Contractor shall maintain records sufficient to document their completion of the scope of services established by this Contract. These records shall be subject at all reasonable time to review, inspect, copy and audit by persons duly authorized by the City. These records shall be kept for a minimum of three (3) years after completion of the Contract. Records which relate to any litigation, appeals or settlements of claims arising from performance under this Order shall be made available until a final disposition has been made of such litigation, appeals, or claims.

T. INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGED WRONGDOINGS, LITIGATION/SETTLEMENTS/FINES/PENALTIES

The City Commission specifically requests that responders to this document indicate in writing any investigations of wrongdoings, litigation and/or settlements, and fines or penalties (anywhere in the U.S) involving the Contractor and specific Contractors listed as projected to provide services to the City. You may be required to respond to questions on this subject matter.

U. CITY'S NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY AND COMMERCIAL NON-DISCRIMINATION REQUIREMENT

As a condition of entering into this agreement, the company represents and warrants that it will comply with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all other federal, state or local laws prohibiting discrimination. The company shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, age, disability or gender identity, or other unlawful forms of discrimination in the solicitation, selection, hiring, commercial treatment of subcontractors, vendors, suppliers or commercial customers, nor shall the company retaliate against any person for reporting instances of such discrimination.

The City reserves the right to investigate any claims of illegal discrimination by the Contractor and in the event a finding of discrimination is made and upon written notification thereof, the Contractor shall take all necessary steps to cure and rectify such action to the reasonable satisfaction of the City. The company understands and agrees that a violation of this clause shall be considered a material breach of this agreement and may result in termination of this agreement, disqualification of the company from participating in City contracts, or other sanctions. This clause is not enforceable by or for the benefit of, and creates no obligation to, any third party."

For more information on this policy and requirement, please visit the Office of Equal Opportunity's website.

V. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

In 1989, the City of Gainesville adopted an ordinance (Art in Public Places) requiring that, “each appropriation for the original construction or major renovation of a local government building which provides public access shall include an amount of at least one (1) percent of the total appropriation for the construction or major renovation of the building to be used for the acquisition of art”. Compliance with the Art in Public Places ordinance is required for this project and will require coordination between the Contractor, architect and an artist. A copy of the ordinance is available upon request.

W. DAVIS-BACON

It will be the responsibility of the contractor to check with the department project manager to determine if compliance with the Davis Bacon Act and the DOL regulations are required.

SECTION II – SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. INTENT

It is the intent of the City of Gainesville to obtain proposals for a self-driving, autonomous shared ride shuttle service from City of Gainesville Downtown area to the University of Florida (UF) along SW 4th Avenue and SW 2nd Avenue. The project known as Gainesville Autonomous Transit Shuttle (GAToRS) consists of moving people, to learn about public attitudes towards automation in transportation, and to document the safety benefits of such a service and bring Highly Automated Vehicles (HAV) forward within a Connected Vehicle (CV) environment. The service should be fulfilled by a multi-passenger, shared use, electric HAV with climate control and a variety of other features. Proposer will coordinate with UF for testing, developing or analyzing new applications.

B. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Shuttle shall be able to continuously transport passengers along at a low speed (15mph limit).
- (b) Shuttle shall make both visual and audible next stop announcements in English.
- (c) Shuttle shall have the ability to be climate controlled. A/C to maintain internal temperature during cooling months no higher than 75 degrees Fahrenheit and heating to maintain no less than 65 degrees during heating season.
- (d) Shuttle shall be electric, preferably with the ability to be charged without wireline infrastructure.
- (e) Shuttle shall have 4G or better wireless connectivity with the ability to stream video and other data in real-time for both management and operations of the vehicles, as well as, for passengers.
- (f) Proposer shall provide certification of their vehicle consistent with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) and the Highly Automated Vehicle (HAV) system consistent with the US DOT 15 point Safety Assessment for deploying automated vehicle technologies. (1) If a proposer cannot certify that their proposed vehicle complies with all applicable FMVSS, an exemption from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) must be obtained in order to test on public roads.
- (g) Vehicle to Infrastructure (V2I) Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC) capability between shuttles and traffic signals and the potential for other Vehicle to Vehicle (V2V) and Vehicle to Anything (V2X), i.e., bicycle and pedestrian) applications as they become available.

SECTION III – PROPOSAL FORMAT

Instructions to proposers: Proposals must contain each of the below enumerated documents, each fully completed, signed, and notarized as required. Proposals submitted which do not include the following items may be deemed non-responsive and may not be considered for contract award.

A. FORMAT AND CONTENTS OF PROPOSAL

1. Table of Contents

The table of contents should outline in sequential order the major areas of the proposal, and all pages of the proposal, including the enclosures, must be clearly and consecutively numbered and correspond to the table of contents.

2. Technical Proposals

The technical proposal is a narrative which addresses the scope of work, the proposed approach to the work, the schedule of the work, and any other information called for by the RFP which the proposer deems relevant.

(1) **Section 1 – Introduction and Submittal**

A letter of introduction to include:

- (i) A statement of the type of firm, partnership or other teaming arrangement and members. A list and description of ownership, office location, and principal office where the majority of the Authority's work will be performed and contact information,
- (ii) The Solicitation,
- (iii) *Proposal Presponse Form – Signature Page* form,
- (iv) Fully completed *Certification Regarding Lobbying* form
- (v) Fully completed *Disclosure of Lobbying Activities* form, if applicable (if not applicable, mark "N/A" across, sign and return),
- (vi) Fully completed *Certification Regarding Debarment* form,
- (vii) Fully completed *Contractor Responsibility Certification* form,
- (viii) Fully completed *Subcontractor/Subconsultant List and Bidder Status* form, and
- (ix) Fully completed Exhibit A

(2) **Section 2 - Firms Experience**

Discuss the offeror's experience, qualifications and skills, with automated vehicles and demonstration projects. At a minimum describe the firm's history, length of time in business, locations, types of services offered and direct experience in providing the services described in the solicitation.

(3) **Section 3 – Support and Program Management**

Ability to provide local, on-site support and ongoing program management.

(4) **Section 4 - Connected Vehicle applications**

Ability to integrate DSRC and Connected Vehicle applications into the HAV system.

(5) **Section 5 – Work Plan**

Provide your work plan to illustrate the firm's competence and capacity to perform the services outlined in the Technical Specifications (Section VI. In this section the offeror's proposal should include risk identification and mitigation strategy.). The area of service and possible service destinations should also be included in this section.

(6) **Section 6 – Price**

- (i) Provide a price proposal for any and all start-up costs (i.e., testing and evaluation steps, vehicle, infrastructure, etc.) to be borne by the City prior to commencement of service being made available to passengers.
- (ii) Provide a price proposal for 36 months of service.
- (iii) Provide a price proposal to provide storage and charging facility for their vehicles as an option to be exercised by RTS as a separate item

(7) **Section 7 – Innovative Pricing**

Proposal to bring partners and/or sponsors to share cost burden and risk.

(8) Section 8 – Exceptions

Exceptions to, or variances from, any portion of the solicitation, including the Technical Specifications, contract terms and conditions, etc., shall not be considered unless the offeror specifically identifies them in this Section 8. Exceptions are, however, strongly discouraged and may not be accepted by the City.

(9) Section 9 - Promotional Literature

This section should contain any promotional literature submitted for informational purposes only.

3. Price Proposal

The price proposal is a presentation of the proposer's total offering price including the estimated cost for providing each component of the required goods or services.

Proposers should indicate the dollar amount which will be attributed to each sub-contractor, if any.

If a prescribed format for the price proposal is appended, proposers must use it; otherwise, proposers may use formats of their choice.

4. Qualifications

The response to the minimum qualification requirements contained below is a list of the minimum qualification requirements prescribed for the RFP. Proposers must provide documentation which demonstrates their ability to satisfy all of the minimum qualification requirements. Proposers who do not meet the minimum qualification requirements or who fail to provide supporting documentation will not be considered for award. If a prescribed format or required documentation for the response to minimum qualification requirements is stated below, proposers must use said format and supply said documentation.

B. QUALIFICATIONS/STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

N/A.

SECTION IV – EVALUATION CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES

A. EVALUATION CRITERIA

1.0 SELECTION AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the procedures described in the City's Professional Services Evaluation Handbook. The criteria listed below are all equal in relative importance. The proposals will be evaluated in four stages: Technical Qualifications Evaluation, Written Proposal Evaluation, Oral Presentation Evaluation, and Other Factors as deemed appropriate, if applicable. The City shall consider the ability of the firm's professional personnel, willingness to meet time and budget requirements, workload, location, past performance, volume of previous work with the City, and location. The Evaluation process provides a structured means for consideration of all these areas.

Criteria:

- a) Technical
- b) Written
- c) Price

1.1 Technical Qualifications Evaluation

The Technical Qualifications Evaluation will assess each responding firm's ability based on experience and qualifications of key team members, the firm's capability of meeting time and budget requirements, and the firm's record with regard to this type of work, particularly in the City of Gainesville or in the State of Florida. This stage does not involve review and evaluation of a proposal addressing the project scope of work. Consideration will be given to the firm's current workload, financial stability, and the location where the majority of the technical work will be produced. The City will not be impressed with excessive amounts of boilerplate, excessive numbers of resumes, excessive length of resumes, excessive numbers of photographs, work that distant offices have performed, or work not involving personnel to be assigned to the proposed project.

1.2 Written Proposal Evaluation

The Written Proposal Evaluation will assess the firm's understanding of the project and the proposed approach to be undertaken as addressed in a written proposal. The evaluation process will assess how effectively the requirements of the scope of services have been addressed. The written proposal should identify a project manager and other key members of the project/service team. It should relate the capabilities of the project/service team to the requirements of the scope of services.

1.3 Presentation/Interview Evaluation

The Proposal Presentation/Interview Evaluation is based on an oral presentation that addresses both the technical qualifications of the firm and the approach to the project. Importance is given to the firm's understanding of the project scope of work, the placement of emphasis on various work tasks, and the response to questions. The evaluation process will assess the project manager's capability and understanding of the project and his/her ability to communicate ideas. The role of key members of the project/service team should be established based on the scope of services and the firm's approach to the project/service. The role of any subcontracted firm in the proposal should be clearly identified. Unique experience and exceptional qualifications may be considered with emphasis on understanding of the project/service, particularly "why it is to be done" as well as "what is to be done". The City of Gainesville will not be impressed with excessive boilerplate, excessive participation by "business development" personnel, and the use of "professional" presenters who will not be involved in the project or future presentations.

1.4 Other factors

The Other Factors to be considered, based upon the specific project (but not limited to), are those items, such as Disadvantaged Business Entity use, if applicable. Fee proposals, when requested and deemed appropriate, are also to be considered in the evaluation process, where the request for such fees is in accordance with the City's Procurement Policies and Procedures.

- Failure of a Proposer to provide pricing for all "Line Items" may be cause for rejection of the proposal as unacceptable. Proposers should insert "N/C", for items provided at "no charge" to RTS.

B. SELECTION PROCESS

The contractor(s) will be selected from the qualified vendors submitting responses to this Request for Proposals. The selection process will be as follows:

1. Evaluators consisting of staff will review the written proposals. The evaluation process provides a structured means for consideration of all proposals.
2. Proposers in the competitive range (those proposals which have a reasonable chance of being selected for award) will be required to furnish proof to the City that they comply with the specifications.
3. The City will make the award to the responsive and responsible proposer whose proposal is most advantageous to the City with price and other factors considered. In determining which proposal is most advantageous, the City may award on a "best value" basis to the proposer whose proposal offers the greatest value to the City based upon an analysis of a tradeoff of qualitative technical factors and price/cost.
4. All proposals will be evaluated to determine those which fall into the competitive range (those proposals which have a reasonable chance of being selected for award) of which clarifications/discussions and/or oral presentations may be requested. After determining which proposers are in the competitive range, the City may conduct negotiations with those proposers to discuss any deficiencies in their proposal and to ensure that the proposers fully understand all the requirements of this RFP. Should negotiations occur, the City may issue to those proposers remaining in the competitive range an invitation to submit a revised proposal or, if negotiations are complete, a Best and Final Offer (BAFO). The BAFO will reflect the proposer's final cost/price proposal to the City based on all the clarifications to the proposed Scope of Work included in the oral presentation and/or negotiations. Any additional costs associated either with the negotiation of completion/submission of revised proposals and/or BAFO submittals are to be made at no cost to the City.
5. Best and Final offers will be evaluated as an adjustment to the scores already awarded by the evaluation committee on their original proposal response. If a proposer does not submit a BAFO its immediate previous offer will be considered as its BAFO.
6. The proposer whose BAFO is accepted as the most advantageous to the City may be presented to the City Commission for their approval, if so required.

SECTION V – GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. CONTRACT AWARD

The award(s), if any, shall be made to the proposer(s) whose proposal(s) shall be deemed by the City to be in the best interest of the City. The decision of the City of whether to make the award(s) and which proposal is in the best interest of the City shall be final.

The Contract to be entered into with the successful proposer will designate the successful proposer as the City's Contractor and will include, but not be limited to, the following terms and conditions.

B. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Following are the General Terms and Conditions, supplemental to those stated elsewhere in the Request for Proposals, to which the Vendor must comply to be consistent with the requirements for this Request for Proposals. Any deviation from these or any other stated requirements should be listed as exceptions in a separate appendix of the proposal.

1. Public Entity Crimes. Section 287.133 (2)(a), Florida Statutes, contains the following provisions: "A person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for public entity crime may not submit a bid on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity, may not submit a bid on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work, may not submit bids on leases of real property to a public entity, may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity, and may not transact business with any public entity, in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list."
2. Tie Bids. Whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality and service are received, preference shall be given in the following order: (1) Bidders submitting the attached Drug-Free Workplace form with their bid/proposal certifying they have a drug free workplace in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes; (2) Bidders located within the City of Gainesville, if not subject to the Local Preference Ordinance; (3) Bidders located within Alachua County; (4) Bidders located within the State of Florida; and (5) coin toss. In the case where Federal funds are being utilized, articles 2,3 and 4 will not apply.
3. Drugfree Workplace. Preference shall be given to submitters providing a certification with their qualifications certifying they have a drug-free workplace whenever two or more bids which are equal with respect to price, quality, and service are received in accordance with Section 287.087, Florida Statutes. The attached form should be filled out and returned with the qualifications in order to qualify for this preference.
4. Indemnification. The Contractor shall agree to indemnify and save harmless the City, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against any and all liability, claims, demands, fines, fees, expenses, penalties, suits, proceedings, actions and costs of action, including attorney's fees for trial and on appeal, of any kind and nature arising or growing out of or in any way connected with the performance of the contract whether by act or omission or negligence of the Contractor, its agents, servants, employees or others, or because of or due to the mere existence of the Contract between the parties.
5. Insurance. Contractor shall provide proof of insurance in an amount as noted below:

Worker's Compensation Insurance providing coverage in compliance with Chapter 440, Florida Statutes.

Public Liability Insurance (other than automobile) consisting of broad form comprehensive general liability insurance including contractual coverage \$1,000,000 per occurrence (combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage).

The City shall be an additional insured on such Public Liability Insurance and the Contractor shall provide copies of endorsements naming the City as additional insured.

Automobile Liability Insurance

Property Damage \$500,000 per occurrence (combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage).

The Contractor shall furnish the City a certificate of insurance in a form acceptable to the City for the insurance required. Such certificate or an endorsement provided by the Contractor must state that the City will be given thirty (30) days' written

notice (except the City will accept ten (10) days written notice for non-payment) prior to cancellation or material change in coverage.

The City reserves the right to require awarded Contractor to provide and pay for any other insurance coverage City deems necessary, depending upon the possible exposure to liability or loss. A price adjustment to the contract would be permitted.

6. Sovereign Immunity. Nothing in the executed contract shall be interpreted that the City waives its sovereign immunity granted under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes.
7. Term. The term of the contract will commence upon execution of a contract. The Contractor will have six (6) months to complete start-up. The contract will then continue for thirty-six (36) months, subject to funding in subsequent fiscal years.
8. Termination.

Termination for Default - Remedies for Breach

If the Contractor fails to observe or perform or is guilty of a substantial violation of any provision of the Contract documents, then the City, after serving at least ten days' written notice to the Contractor of its intent to terminate and after such default shall continue unremedied for a period of ten days, may terminate the Contract without prejudice to any other rights or remedies it may have under this Contract.

If, after default under this subsection, it is determined for any reason that Contractor was not in default, or that its default was excusable, or that City is not entitled to the remedies against Contractor provided herein, then Contractor's remedies against City shall be the same as and limited to those afforded Contractor pursuant to the subsection title TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE which appears below.

Termination for Convenience

City shall have the right to terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, without cause, upon seven (7) calendar days' written notice to Contractor. In the event of such termination for convenience, Contractor's recovery against City shall be limited to that portion of the contract price earned through the date of termination, together with any retainage withheld and direct and immediate termination expenses incurred, but Contractor shall not be entitled to any other or further recovery against City.

Termination of the contract or a portion thereof, for cause or convenience, shall neither relieve the Contractor of its responsibilities for the completed work nor shall it relieve his/her surety of its obligation for and concerning any just claim arising out of the work performed.

9. Applicable Law. The contract and the legal relations between the parties hereto shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Venue in the courts of Alachua County, Florida.
10. Joint Bidding/Cooperative Purchasing Agreement. All bidders submitting a response to this invitation to bid agree that such response also constitutes a bid to all State Agencies and Political Subdivisions of the State of Florida under the same terms and conditions, for the same prices and the same effective period as this bid, should the bidder deem it in the best interest of its business to do so. This agreement in no way restricts or interferes with any State Agency or Political Subdivision of the State of Florida to rebid any or all items.
11. Subcontractors. All successful contractors specific to construction in the amount of \$300 thousand or more to include material suppliers shall be required to provide information of subcontractors in addition to sub and sub subcontractors prior to final payment under the contract.
12. Florida Public Records Act.

Florida has a very broad public records law and certain records of a contractor may be considered public records. Accordingly, by entering into an agreement with the City, contractor must:

1. Keep and maintain public records required by the public agency to perform the service.
2. Upon request from the public agency's custodian of public records, provide the public agency with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in this chapter or as otherwise provided by law.

3. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the contractor does not transfer the records to the public agency.
4. Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the public agency all public records in possession of the contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the public agency to perform the service. If the contractor transfers all public records to the public agency upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the public agency, upon request from the public agency's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the public agency.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS – PROJECT MANAGER, [NAME], [PHONE NUMBER], [EMAIL], [ADDRESS], GAINESVILLE, FL 32627.

SECTION VI – TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

A. SCOPE

- 1.1 The provisions contained in this section are intended to be cooperative with, to supplement, or to modify instructions to Bidders, Special Provisions and General Conditions and, in case of any conflict with such sections, the intent of any and all Technical Specifications shall govern.

B. BACKGROUND

The City of Gainesville Regional Transit System (RTS) is seeking proposals from well qualified and experienced parties to provide a self-driving, autonomous shared ride shuttle service from City of Gainesville Downtown area to the University of Florida (UF) along SE 3rd, 5th Avenue, Newell Drive, and University Avenue. The project known as Gainesville Autonomous Transit Shuttle (GAToRS) consists of moving people, to learn about public attitudes towards automation in transportation, and to document the safety benefits of such a service and bring Highly Automated Vehicles (HAV) forward within a Connected Vehicle (CV) environment. The service should be fulfilled by a multi-passenger, shared use, electric HAV with climate control and a variety of other features. Proposer will coordinate with UF for testing, developing or analyzing new applications.

C. OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 Continuously transport passengers along a low speed (15mph limit), controlled access corridor shared with regular traffic, transit buses and emergency vehicles with public traffic crossing signalized intersections, and bicycle and pedestrian traffic.
- 1.2 ‘Project Team’ of City of Gainesville (RTS), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and University of Florida (UF) will work with the contractor to develop the operating plan following FDOT findings on the “GATrIC Study Executive Summary” (see Attachment A).
- 1.3 Board and alight passengers safely at predefined stop locations with level curbside boarding or another method to allow mobility impaired individuals to access and egress the vehicle.
- 1.4 Proposer shall describe how to protect vulnerable road users.
- 1.5 Level 4 Autonomy or higher is preferred.
- 1.6 As RTS cannot provide any of its staff to operate, maintain or supervise the service, proposer should provide for such resources if required in their project plan. RTS will work with the selected contractor to identify these resources if requested.

D. VEHICLE AND HIGHLY AUTOMATED VEHICLE (HAV) SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 Shuttle shall be appropriately designed and constructed to operate safely and efficiently at minimum within the limited operational design domain (ODD) described in this solicitation and more broadly, throughout downtown Gainesville and University of Florida.
- 1.2 Shuttle shall make both visual and audible next stop announcements in English.
- 1.3 Shuttle shall have the ability to be climate controlled. A/C to maintain internal temperature during cooling months no higher than 75 degrees Fahrenheit and heating to maintain no less than 65 degrees during heating season.
- 1.4 Vehicles shall be electric, preferably with the ability to be charged without wireline infrastructure.
- 1.5 Shuttle shall have 4G or better wireless connectivity with the ability to stream video and other data in real-time for both management and operations of the vehicles, as well as, for passengers.
- 1.6 HAV system shall be impenetrable to attempted access by outside parties for the purpose of modifying system operations or otherwise accessing data governing the system.

- 1.7 Proposer shall either provide or work towards self-certification of their vehicle consistent with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) and the Highly Automated Vehicle (HAV) system consistent with the US DOT 15 point Safety Assessment for deploying automated vehicle technologies.
- 1.8 If a proposer cannot certify that their proposed vehicle complies with all applicable FMVSS, an exemption from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) must be obtained in order to test on public roads.
- 1.9 Shuttle shall include a display to host real time information for RTS services connecting with RTS Automated Vehicle Location (AVL) system (<https://ufl.transloc.com/>).
- 2.0 Briefly describe the generation of the following systems:
 - a) Navigation
 - b) Obstacle detection
 - c) Chassis and drive
- 2.9 Proposer shall have the ability to begin testing and operation with existing traffic signal infrastructure.
- 3.0 Proposer shall coordinate with the UF Testbed Project team.
- 3.1 This coordination is expected to require Vehicle to Infrastructure (V2I) Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC) capability between shuttles and traffic signals and the potential for other Vehicle to Vehicle (V2V) and Vehicle to Anything (V2X), i.e., bicycle and pedestrian) applications as they become available.
- 3.2 To facilitate this, provision of sensor inputs to the HAV system which allow for receipt and interpretation of Signal Phase and Timing (SPaT) and MAP messages from forthcoming Roadside Units (RSU) being installed at SW 2nd Avenue and SW 4th avenue on SW13th Street intersections.
- 3.3 Allow for vehicle wrap with space to advertise and identify project partners.

E. PROGRAM MANAGEMENT & OTHER REQUIREMENTS

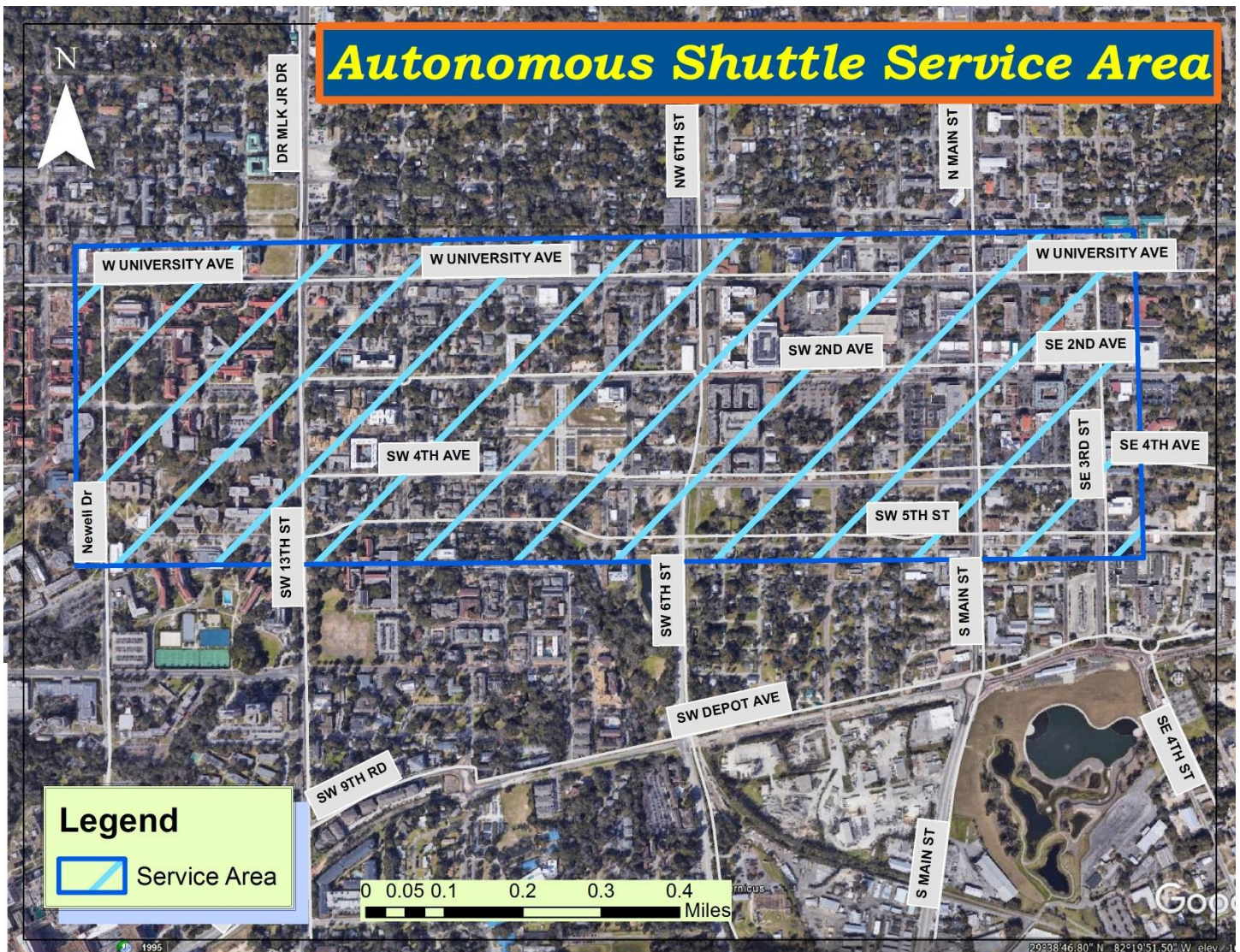
- 1.1 Proposer shall provide a preliminary schedule with their submission. RTS would like to start service once the proposer and Project Team meet and mutually agree upon a realistic start date which is reflective of the activities required to prepare and carry out the service. RTS requires a preliminary schedule to be submitted with the proposal to see when offerors anticipate able to launch service.
- 1.2 RTS will identify a single point of contact on its staff as project manager.
- 1.3 After Notice to Proceed (NTP), a testing plan for deployment of the service shall be jointly developed and agreed upon by the proposer and 'Project Team' to be carried out by the proposer. Start date may be flexible depending on approval of the proposal.
- 1.4 Also subsequent to NTP, proposer shall furnish 'Work Plan' which describes how to address operations, safety processes, and security as well handling of exceptions, emergencies and recovery in a variety of scenarios. This shall include a preliminary and operational hazard analysis subject to review and acceptance.
- 1.5 Proposer shall identify the archived and real-time datasets to be shared with the 'Project Team' to support the development of an Evaluation Plan.
- 1.6 As additional resources to continue the service could be made available upon the successful demonstration of certain key performance measures, a commitment to work with the 'Project Team' to identify and meet and/or exceed these measures to make that additional service funding available.
- 1.7 The awarded Contractor is expected to have costs associated with the purchase of vehicles; however, RTS does not expect to pay for the vehicles as we will never have ownership of the vehicle(s). Therefore, it is the Proposer's responsibility to decide whether to put the vehicle purchase cost in startup or extend across the length of the contract.
- 1.8 Describe other required infrastructure including storage and charging facilities. Coordinate with RTS regarding potential use of RTS original facility. Proposer should include costs to provide storage and charging facility for their vehicles as an option

to be exercised by RTS. Proposer may choose to not involve RTS in where vehicles are stored, secured and charged overnight. Access to public utilities will be coordinated with RTS and Gainesville Regional Utilities (GRU).

- 1.9 Proposer shall identify if proposed solution is simply a mobility product or a platform for autonomy in pursuit of other automation within a Smart City Strategy.
- 1.10 Successful Proposer shall collaborate and work with UF on research and new and innovative applications, sensors, and traffic management.
- 1.11 Successful Proposer must comply with Section 341.061, Florida Statutes, and Rule Chapter 14-90, Florida Administrative Code. Proposer is required to provide an annual safety certification that proposer has adopted and is complying with its adopted System Safety Program Plan (SSPP), and has performed annual safety inspections of all transit shuttles operated. Proposer must provide their adopted SSPP to the City within six (6) months of award notification. Proposer must also provide the annual safety certification to both the City and FDOT, simultaneously, each year by December 31st once the shuttle is operational.

F. GAINESVILLE AUTONOMOUS TRANSIT SHUTTLE (GAToRS)

This project will consist in a shuttle between the University of Florida (UF) and Downtown Gainesville. The service will operate with regular traffic conditions. The service would address mobility needs downtown by connecting the UF and City on hours where transit service is limited. Project area is limited to SE 3rd Street, 5th Avenue, Newell Drive and University Avenue.



- Project route must serve the University of Florida
- Monday through Friday, and provide option for weekend service
- 10 consecutive hours of span of service at 10 minute frequency during peak hours, no less than 20 minute frequency during off peak hours
- Route roundtrip no longer than 3.0 miles
- 15 mph speed limit
- Fares will not be collected during the demonstration period
- Charging and Storage at Original RTS facility at 100 SE 10th Avenue, Gainesville FL 32627 (Optional)
- Project not limited to existing roads; proposer may offer a route they consider the most optimal. Provide separate cost proposal for any road improvements on proposed project route
- Project term: 3 years

G. FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) REQUIREMENTS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. This solicitation or contract will be funded in whole or in part by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration.

The following requirements are applicable for this solicitation:

1.1 NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

The Recipient and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying Contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this Contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Recipient, Contractor or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying Contract. The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

1.2 PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS AND RELATED ACTS

The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, “Program Fraud Civil Remedies,” 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(1) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

1.3 ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

- Record Retention.** The Contractor will retain, and will require its subcontractors of all tiers to retain, complete and readily accessible records related in whole or in part to the contract, including, but not limited to, data, documents, reports, statistics, sub-agreements, leases, subcontracts, arrangements, other third party agreements of any type, and supporting materials related to those records.
- Retention Period.** The Contractor agrees to comply with the record retention requirements in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.333. The Contractor shall maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this Contract for a period of at not less than three (3) years after the date of termination or expiration of this Contract, except in the event of litigation or

settlement of claims arising from the performance of this Contract, in which case records shall be maintained until the disposition of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto.

- c. Access to Records. The Contractor agrees to provide sufficient access to FTA and its contractors to inspect and audit records and information related to performance of this contract as reasonably may be required.
- d. Access to the Sites of Performance. The Contractor agrees to permit FTA and its contractors access to the sites of performance under this contract as reasonably may be required.

1.4 FEDERAL CHANGES

Contractor shall at all times comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between Purchaser and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

1.5 CIVIL RIGHT LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The City of Gainesville is an Equal Opportunity Employer. As such, the City of Gainesville agrees to comply with all applicable Federal civil rights laws and implementing regulations. Apart from inconsistent requirements imposed by Federal laws or regulations, the City of Gainesville agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 U.S.C. § 5323(h) (3) by not using any Federal assistance awarded by FTA to support procurements using exclusionary or discriminatory specifications.

Under this Agreement, the Contractor shall at all times comply with the following requirements and shall include these requirements in each subcontract entered into as part thereof.

- a. **Nondiscrimination**. In accordance with Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- b. **Race, Color, Religion, National Origin, Sex**. In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e et seq., and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. chapter 60, and Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity in Federal Employment," September 24, 1965, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note, as amended by any later Executive Order that amends or supersedes it, referenced in 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, national origin, or sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity). Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- c. **Age**. In accordance with the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (U.S. EEOC) regulations, "Age Discrimination in Employment Act," 29 C.F.R. part 1625, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6101 et seq., U.S. Health and Human Services regulations, "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Age in Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance," 45 C.F.R. part 90, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.
- d. **Disabilities**. In accordance with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 794, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq., the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4151 et seq., and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against individuals on the basis of disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

1.6 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)

The contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate, which may include, but is not limited to:

- a. Withholding monthly progress payments;
- b. Assessing sanctions;
- c. Liquidated damages; and/or
- d. Disqualifying the contractor from future bidding as non-responsive. 49 C.F.R. § 26.13(b).

The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the City of Gainesville, Florida. In addition, the contractor is required to return any retainage payments to those subcontractors within 30 days after the subcontractor's work related to this contract is satisfactorily completed.

Overview

It is the policy of the City of Gainesville and the United States Department of Transportation ("DOT") that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE's"), as defined herein and in the Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. part 26, shall have an equal opportunity to participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also the policy of the City of Gainesville to:

1. Ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
2. Create a level playing field on which DBE's can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. Ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. Ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 C.F.R. part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBE's;
5. Help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
6. To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally assisted contracts and procurement activities; and
7. Assist in the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE program.

This Contract is subject to 49 C.F.R. part 26. Therefore, the Contractor must satisfy the requirements for DBE participation as set forth herein. These requirements are in addition to all other equal opportunity employment requirements of this Contract. The City of Gainesville shall make all determinations with regard to whether or not a Bidder/Offeror is in compliance with the requirements stated herein. In assessing compliance, the City of Gainesville may consider during its review of the Bidder/Offeror's submission package, the Bidder/Offeror's documented history of non-compliance with DBE requirements on previous contracts with the City of Gainesville.

Contract Assurance

The Contractor, subrecipient or subcontractor shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this Contract. The Contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as the City of Gainesville deems appropriate.

DBE Participation

For the purpose of this Contract, the City of Gainesville will accept only DBE's who are:

1. Certified, at the time of bid opening or proposal evaluation, by the Florida Department of Transportation or the Unified Certification Program (UCP); or
2. An out-of-state firm who has been certified by either a local government, state government or Federal government entity authorized to certify DBE status or an City of Gainesville whose DBE certification process has received FTA approval; or
3. Certified by another agency approved by the City of Gainesville.

DBE Participation Goal

The City of Gainesville has not set a specific goal for this project. The agency's overall goal for DBE participation for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2017 is **1.5%**. This goal represents those elements of work under this Contract performed by qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises for amounts totaling not less than 1.5% of the total Contract price. Failure to meet the stated goal at the time of proposal submission may render the Bidder/Offeror non-responsive.

Proposed Submission

Each Bidder/Offeror, as part of its submission, should supply the following information:

1. A completed DBE Utilization Form (see below) that indicates the percentage and dollar value of the total bid/contract amount to be supplied by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises under this Contract.
2. A list of those qualified DBE's with whom the Bidder/Offeror intends to contract for the performance of portions of the work under the Contract, the agreed price to be paid to each DBE for work, the Contract items or parts to be performed by each DBE, a proposed timetable for the performance or delivery of the Contract item, and other information as required by the DBE Participation Schedule (see below). No work shall be included in the Schedule that the Bidder/Offeror has reason to believe the listed DBE will subcontract, at any tier, to other than another DBE. If awarded the Contract, the Bidder/Offeror may not deviate from the DBE Participation Schedule submitted in response to the bid. Any subsequent changes and/or substitutions of DBE firms will require review and written approval by the City of Gainesville.
3. An original DBE Letter of Intent (see below) from each DBE listed in the DBE Participation Schedule.
4. An original DBE Affidavit (see below) from each DBE stating that there has not been any change in its status since the date of its last certification.

The City reserves the right to request any missing documentation after the bid opening, as needed.

Good Faith Efforts

If the Bidder/Offeror is unable to meet the goal set forth above (DBE Participation Goal), the City of Gainesville will consider the Bidder/Offeror's documented good faith efforts to meet the goal in determining responsiveness. The types of actions that the City of Gainesville will consider as part of the Bidder/Offeror's good faith efforts include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Documented communication with the City of Gainesville's DBE Coordinator (questions of IFB or RFP requirements, subcontracting opportunities, appropriate certification, will be addressed in a timely fashion);
2. Pre-bid meeting attendance. At the pre-bid meeting, the City of Gainesville generally informs potential Bidder/Offeror's of DBE subcontracting opportunities;
3. The Bidder/Offeror's own solicitations to obtain DBE involvement in general circulation media, trade association publication, minority-focus media and other reasonable and available means within sufficient time to allow DBEs to respond to the solicitation;
4. Written notification to DBE's encouraging participation in the proposed Contract; and
5. Efforts made to identify specific portions of the work that might be performed by DBE's.

The Bidder/Offeror shall provide the following details, at a minimum, of the specific efforts it made to negotiate in good faith with DBE's for elements of the Contract:

1. The names, addresses, and telephone numbers of DBE's that were contacted;
2. A description of the information provided to targeted DBE's regarding the specifications and bid proposals for portions of the work;
3. Efforts made to assist DBE's contacted in obtaining bonding or insurance required by the Bidder or the Authority.

Further, the documentation of good faith efforts must include copies of each DBE and non-DBE subcontractor quote submitted when a non-DBE subcontractor was selected over a DBE for work on the contract. 49 C.F.R. § 26.53(b) (2) (VI). In determining whether a Bidder has made good faith efforts, the Authority may take into account the performance of other Bidders in meeting the Contract goals. For example, if the apparent successful Bidder failed to meet the goal, but meets or exceeds the average DBE participation obtained by other Bidders, the Authority may view this as evidence of the Bidder having made good faith efforts.

Administrative Reconsideration

Within five (5) business days of being informed by the City of Gainesville that it is not responsive or responsible because it has not documented sufficient good faith efforts, the Bidder/Offeror may request administrative reconsideration. The Bidder should make this request in writing to the City of Gainesville's Procurement Division. The Procurement Division will forward the Bidder/Offeror's request to a reconsideration official who will not have played any role in the original determination that the Bidder/Offeror did not document sufficient good faith efforts.

As part of this reconsideration, the Bidder/Offeror will have the opportunity to provide written documentation or argument concerning the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do so. The Bidder/Offeror will have the opportunity to meet in person with the assigned reconsideration official to discuss the issue of whether it met the goal or made adequate good faith efforts to do so. The City of Gainesville will send the Bidder/Offeror a written decision on its

reconsideration, explaining the basis for finding that the Bidder/Offeror did or did not meet the goal or make adequate good faith efforts to do so. The result of the reconsideration process is not administratively appealable to the Department of Transportation.

Termination of DBE Subcontractor

The Contractor shall not terminate the DBE subcontractor(s) listed in the DBE Participation Schedule (see below) without the City of Gainesville's prior written consent. The City of Gainesville may provide such written consent only if the Contractor has good cause to terminate the DBE firm. Before transmitting a request to terminate, the Contractor shall give notice in writing to the DBE subcontractor of its intent to terminate and the reason for the request. The Contractor shall give the DBE five days to respond to the notice and advise of the reasons why it objects to the proposed termination. When a DBE subcontractor is terminated or fails to complete its work on the Contract for any reason, the Contractor shall make good faith efforts to find another DBE subcontractor to substitute for the original DBE and immediately notify the City of Gainesville in writing of its efforts to replace the original DBE. These good faith efforts shall be directed at finding another DBE to perform at least the same amount of work under the Contract as the DBE that was terminated, to the extent needed to meet the Contract goal established for this procurement. Failure to comply with these requirements will be in accordance with Section 8 below (Sanctions for Violations).

Continued Compliance

The City of Gainesville shall monitor the Contractor's DBE compliance during the life of the Contract. In the event this procurement exceeds ninety (90) days, it will be the responsibility of the Contractor to submit quarterly written reports to the City of Gainesville that summarize the total DBE value for this Contract. These reports shall provide the following details:

- DBE utilization established for the Contract;
- Total value of expenditures with DBE firms for the quarter;
- The value of expenditures with each DBE firm for the quarter by race and gender;
- Total value of expenditures with DBE firms from inception of the Contract; and
- The value of expenditures with each DBE firm from the inception of the Contract by race and gender.

Reports and other correspondence must be submitted to the RTS DBE Coordinator with copies provided to the Procurement Division. Reports shall continue to be submitted quarterly until final payment is issued or until DBE participation is completed.

The successful Bidder/Offeror shall permit:

- The City of Gainesville to have access to necessary records to examine information as the City of Gainesville deems appropriate for the purpose of investigating and determining compliance with this provision, including, but not limited to, records of expenditures, invoices, and contract between the successful Bidder/Offeror and other DBE parties entered into during the life of the Contract.
- The authorized representative(s) of the City of Gainesville, the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Comptroller General of the United States, to inspect and audit all data and record of the Contractor relating to its performance under the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation provision of this Contract.
- All data/record(s) pertaining to DBE shall be maintained as stated in Section [insert reference to record keeping requirements for the Project.]

Sanctions for Violations

If at any time the City of Gainesville has reason to believe that the Contractor is in violation of its obligations under this Agreement or has otherwise failed to comply with terms of this Section, the City of Gainesville may, in addition to pursuing any other available legal remedy, commence proceedings, which may include but are not limited to, the following:

- Suspension of any payment or part due the Contractor until such time as the issues concerning the Contractor's compliance are resolved; and
- Termination or cancellation of the Contract, in whole or in part, unless the successful Contractor is able to demonstrate within a reasonable time that it is in compliance with the DBE terms stated herein.

DBE UTILIZATION FORM

The undersigned Bidder/Offeror has satisfied the requirements of the solicitation in the following manner (please check the appropriate space):

_____ The Bidder/Offer is committed to a minimum of _____% DBE utilization on this contract.

_____ The Bidder/Offeror (if unable to meet the DBE goal of %) is committed to a minimum of _____% DBE utilization on this contract and submits documentation demonstrating good faith efforts.

DBE PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE

The Bidder/Offeror shall complete the following information for all DBE's participating in the contract that comprises the DBE Utilization percent stated in the DBE Utilization Form. The Bidder/Offeror shall also furnish the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person should the Authority have any questions in relation to the information furnished herein.

DBE IDENTIFICATION AND INFORMATION FORM

Name and Address	Contact Name and Telephone Number	Participation Percent (Of Total Contract Value)	Description Of Work To Be Performed	Race and Gender of Firm

1.7 ENERGY CONSERVATION

The contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

1.8 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

- a. *New Buses and Construction:* All design and construction must meet all federal regulations of 49 CFR Part 37 and Part 38.
- b. *Used Buses:* Must meet all federal regulations of 49 CFR Part 38.
- c. *Modification of Facilities:* Must meet all federal regulations of Appendix A to 49 CFR Part 37, the ADA Accessibility Guideline (ADAAG).

1.9 PRIVACY ACTS

- a. The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the Federal Government before the Contractor or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of the Federal Government. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to those individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying contract.
- b. The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract to administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

1.10 SAFE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES**Seat Belt Use**

The Contractor is encouraged to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company-owned vehicles, company-rented vehicles, or personally operated vehicles. The terms "company-owned" and "company-leased" refer to vehicles owned or leased either by the Contractor or City of Gainesville.

Distracted Driving

The Contractor agrees to adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while using an electronic device supplied by an employer, and driving a vehicle the driver owns or rents, a vehicle Contractor owns, leases, or rents, or a privately-owned vehicle when on official business in connection with the work performed under this agreement.

1.11 INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS

The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether or not expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.1F, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any City of Gainesville requests which would cause City of Gainesville to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

The following conditional requirements may apply based upon value and/or item/service:

1.12 TERMINATION - *If this solicitation or contract is valued in excess of \$10,000:*

Termination for Convenience (General Provision)

The City of Gainesville may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in the City of Gainesville's best interest. The Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract close-out costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to City of Gainesville to be paid the Contractor. If the Contractor has any property in its possession belonging to City of Gainesville, the Contractor will account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner City of Gainesville directs.

Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision)

If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or if the contract is for services, the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the City of Gainesville may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be effected by serving a Notice of Termination on the Contractor setting forth the manner in which the Contractor is in default. The Contractor will be paid only the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.

If it is later determined by the City of Gainesville that the Contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the Contractor, the City of Gainesville, after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a Termination for Convenience.

Opportunity to Cure (General Provision)

The City of Gainesville, in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor [an appropriately short period of time] in which to cure the defect. In such case, the Notice of Termination will state the time period in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions.

If Contractor fails to remedy to City of Gainesville's satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within [10 days] after receipt by Contractor of written notice from City of Gainesville setting forth the nature of said breach or default, City of Gainesville shall have the right to terminate the contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude City of Gainesville from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

Waiver of Remedies for any Breach

In the event that City of Gainesville elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this contract, such waiver by City of Gainesville shall not limit City of Gainesville's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other covenant, term, or condition of this contract.

Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts)

The City of Gainesville, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the City of Gainesville's interest. If this contract is terminated, the City of Gainesville shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

Termination for Default (Supplies and Service)

If the Contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the City of Gainesville may terminate this contract for default. The City of Gainesville shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the City of Gainesville.

Termination for Default (Transportation Services)

If the Contractor fails to pick up the commodities or to perform the services, including delivery services, within the time specified in this contract or any extension, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the City of Gainesville may terminate this contract for default. The City of Gainesville shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract.

If this contract is terminated while the Contractor has possession of City of Gainesville goods, the Contractor shall, upon direction of the City of Gainesville, protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the City of Gainesville or its agent. The Contractor and City of Gainesville shall agree on payment for the preservation and protection of goods. Failure to agree on an amount will be resolved under the Dispute clause.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the City of Gainesville.

1.13 GOVERNMENT WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION - *If this solicitation or contract is valued at \$25,000 or more:*

Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion

The Contractor shall comply and facilitate compliance with U.S. DOT regulations, "Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment," 2 C.F.R. part 1200, which adopts and supplements the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (U.S. OMB) "Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement)," 2 C.F.R. part 180. These provisions apply to each contract at any tier of \$25,000 or more, and to each contract at any tier for a federally required audit (irrespective of the contract amount), and to each contract at any tier that must be approved by an FTA official irrespective of the contract amount. As such, the Contractor shall verify that its principals, affiliates, and subcontractors are eligible to participate in this federally funded contract and are not presently declared by any Federal department or City of Gainesville to be:

- a. Debarred from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- b. Suspended from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- c. Proposed for debarment from participation in any federally assisted Award;
- d. Declared ineligible to participate in any federally assisted Award;
- e. Voluntarily excluded from participation in any federally assisted Award; or
- f. Disqualified from participation in any federally assisted Award.

By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by the City of Gainesville. If it is later determined by the City of Gainesville that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to the City of Gainesville, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. part 180, subpart C, as supplemented by 2 C.F.R. part 1200, while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

1.14 VIOLATION AND BREACH OF CONTRACT - *If this solicitation or contract exceeds \$150,000:*

Rights and Remedies of the City of Gainesville

The City of Gainesville shall have the following rights in the event that the City of Gainesville deems the Contractor guilty of a breach of any term under the Contract.

- a. The right to take over and complete the work or any part thereof as City of Gainesville for and at the expense of the Contractor, either directly or through other contractors;
- b. The right to cancel this Contract as to any or all of the work yet to be performed;
- c. The right to specific performance, an injunction or any other appropriate equitable remedy; and
- d. The right to money damages.

Rights and Remedies of Contractor

Inasmuch as the Contractor can be adequately compensated by money damages for any breach of this Contract, which may be committed by the City of Gainesville, the Contractor expressly agrees that no default, act or omission of the City of Gainesville shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, entitling Contractor to cancel or rescind the Contract (unless the City of Gainesville directs Contractor to do so) or to suspend or abandon performance.

Remedies

Substantial failure of the Contractor to complete the Project in accordance with the terms of this Agreement will be a default of this Agreement. In the event of a default, the City of Gainesville will have all remedies in law and equity, including the right to specific performance, without further assistance, and the rights to termination or suspension as provided herein. The Contractor recognizes that in the event of a breach of this Agreement by the Contractor before the City of Gainesville takes action contemplated herein, the City of Gainesville will provide the Contractor with sixty (60) days written notice that the City of Gainesville considers that such a breach has occurred and will provide the Contractor a reasonable period of time to respond and to take necessary corrective action.

Disputes

Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract that are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the authorized representative of City of Gainesville. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within [10] calendar days from the date of receipt of its copy, the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the authorized representative. In connection with any such appeal, the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its position. The decision of the City Manager shall be binding upon the Contractor and the Contractor shall abide by the decision.

Performance during Dispute

Unless otherwise directed by City of Gainesville, Contractor shall continue performance under this Contract while matters in dispute are being resolved.

Claims for Damages

Should either party to the Contract suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the party or of any of its employees, agents or others for whose acts it is legally liable, a claim for damages therefor shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury or damage.

Remedies

Unless this Contract provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes and other matters in question between the City of Gainesville and the Contractor arising out of or relating to this agreement or its breach will be decided by arbitration if the parties mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State in which the City of Gainesville is located.

Rights and Remedies

The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of any duties, obligations, rights and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law. No action or failure to act by the City of Gainesville or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

1.15 LOBBYING RESTRICTIONS - *If this solicitation or contract is for \$100,000 or more:*

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. 1352(b)(5), as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, P.L. 104-65 [to be codified at 2 U.S.C. § 1601, et seq.] - Contractors who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the certification required by 49 CFR part 20, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any City of Gainesville, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352(b)(5). Each tier shall also disclose the name of any registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 who has made lobbying contacts on its behalf with non-Federal funds with respect to that Federal contract, grant or award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352(b)(5). Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

1.16 CLEAN AIR ACT AND FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT - *If this solicitation or contract exceeds \$150,000 in any year:*

The Contractor agrees:

- a. It will not use any violating facilities;
- b. It will report the use of facilities placed on or likely to be placed on the U.S. EPA "List of Violating Facilities;"
- c. It will report violations of use of prohibited facilities to FTA; and
- d. It will comply with the inspection and other requirements of the Clean Air Act, as amended, (42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 – 7671q); and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended, (33 U.S.C. §§ 1251-1387).

1.17 SUBSTANCE ABUSE REQUIREMENTS - *If this solicitation or contract is for an operational service contract:*

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TESTING

The Contractor agrees to establish and implement a drug and alcohol testing program that complies with 49 C.F.R. parts 655, produce any documentation necessary to establish its compliance with part 655, and permit any authorized representative of the United States Department of Transportation or its operating administrations, the State Oversight Agency of Florida, or City of Gainesville to inspect the facilities and records associated with the implementation of the drug and alcohol testing program as required under 49 C.F.R. part 655 and review the testing process. The Contractor agrees further to certify annually its compliance with parts 655 before January 15th and to submit the Management Information System (MIS) reports before February 15th to City of Gainesville. To certify compliance, the Contractor shall use the "Substance Abuse Certifications" in the "Annual List of Certifications and Assurances for Federal Transit Administration Grants and Cooperative Agreements," which is published annually in the *Federal Register*.

1.18 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION EMPLOYEE PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS - *If this solicitation or contract involves transit operations performed by employees of a contractor recognized by FTA to be a transit operator:*

The Contractor agrees to comply with the following employee protective arrangements of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b):

- a. **U.S. DOL Certification.** Under this Contract or any Amendments thereto that involve public transportation operations that are supported with federal assistance, a certification issued by U.S. DOL is a condition of the Contract.

- b. **Special Warranty.** When the Contract involves public transportation operations and is supported with federal assistance appropriated or made available for 49 U.S.C. § 5311, U.S. DOL will provide a Special Warranty for its Award, including its Award of federal assistance under the Tribal Transit Program. The U.S. DOL Special Warranty is a condition of the Contract.
- c. **Special Arrangements.** The conditions of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) do not apply to Contractors providing public transportation operations pursuant to 49 U.S.C. § 5310. FTA reserves the right to make case-by-case determinations of the applicability of 49 U.S.C. § 5333(b) for all transfers of funding authorized under title 23, United States Code (flex funds), and make other exceptions as it deems appropriate, and, in those instances, any special arrangements required by FTA will be incorporated herein as required.

1.19 CHARTER SERVICE - *If this solicitation or contract is for an operational service contract:*

The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(d), 5323(r), and 49 C.F.R. part 604, which provides that recipients and subrecipients of FTA assistance are prohibited from providing charter service using federally funded equipment or facilities if there is at least one private charter operator willing and able to provide the service, except as permitted under:

- a. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(d);
- b. FTA regulations, “Charter Service,” 49 C.F.R. part 604;
- c. Any other federal Charter Service regulations; or
- d. Federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

The contractor agrees that if it engages in a pattern of violations of FTA’s Charter Service regulations, FTA may require corrective measures or impose remedies on it. These corrective measures and remedies may include:

- a. Barring it or any subcontractor operating public transportation under its Award that has provided prohibited charter service from receiving federal assistance from FTA;
 - b. Withholding an amount of federal assistance as provided by Appendix D to part 604 of FTA’s Charter Service regulations; or
 - c. Any other appropriate remedy that may apply.
- The contractor should also include the substance of this clause in each subcontract that may involve operating public transit services.

1.20 SCHOOL BUS OPERATIONS - *If this solicitation or contract is for an operational service contract:*

The contractor agrees to comply with 49 U.S.C. 5323(f), and 49 C.F.R. part 604, and not engage in school bus operations using federally funded equipment or facilities in competition with private operators of school buses, except as permitted under:

- a. Federal transit laws, specifically 49 U.S.C. § 5323(f);
- b. FTA regulations, “School Bus Operations,” 49 C.F.R. part 605;
- c. Any other Federal School Bus regulations; or
- d. Federal guidance, except as FTA determines otherwise in writing.

If Contractor violates this School Bus Agreement, FTA may:

- a. Bar the Contractor from receiving Federal assistance for public transportation; or
- b. Require the contractor to take such remedial measures as FTA considers appropriate.

When operating exclusive school bus service under an allowable exemption, the contractor may not use federally funded equipment, vehicles, or facilities.

The Contractor should include the substance of this clause in each subcontract or purchase under this contract that may operate public transportation services.

1.21 CONFORMANCE WITH ITS NATIONAL ARCHITECTURE - *If this solicitation or contract is for Intelligent Transportation Systems projects:*

With respect to all Contracts involving the provision of Intelligent Transportation Systems (“ITS”), Contractor agrees to conform to the ITS National Architecture, as promulgated by the United States Department of Transportation, Intelligent Transportation Systems, Joint Program Office.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying", in accordance with its instructions
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Name of Proposer: _____

Name/Title of Authorized Representative: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES
 Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352
 (See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

Approved by OMB
0348-0046

(To be submitted by bidder, if applicable, refer to instructions on the next page)

1. Type of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. contract <input type="checkbox"/> b. grant <input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement <input type="checkbox"/> d. loan <input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee <input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance		2. Status of Federal Action: <input type="checkbox"/> a. bid/offer/application <input type="checkbox"/> b. initial award <input type="checkbox"/> c. post-award		3. Report Type: <input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing <input type="checkbox"/> b. material change For Material Change Only: Year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____	
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8. Federal Action Number, if known :			9. Award Amount, if known : \$ _____		
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11 Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.			Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____		
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form; print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act, as amended, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB Control Number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is OMB No. 0348-0046. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503.

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION

The Bidder is required to certify compliance with the following contractor responsibility standards by checking appropriate boxes. For purposes hereof, all relevant time periods are calculated from the date this Certification is executed.

	YES	NO
1. Has the firm been suspended and/or debarred by any federal, state or local government agency or authority in the past three years?		
2. Has any officer, director, or principal of the firm been convicted of a felony relating to your business industry?		
3. Has the firm defaulted on any project in the past three (3) years?		
4. Has the firm had any type of business, contracting or trade license revoked or suspended for cause by any government agency or authority in the past three (3) years?		
5. Has the firm been found in violation of any other law relating to its business, including, but not limited to antitrust laws, licensing laws, tax laws, wage or hour laws, environmental or safety laws, by a final unappealed decision of a court or government agency in the past three (3) years, where the result of such adjudicated violation was a payment of a fine, damages or penalty in excess of \$1,000?		
6. Has the firm been the subject of voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy proceedings at any time in the past three (3) years?		
7. Has the firm successfully provided similar products or performed similar services in the past three (3) years with a satisfactory record of timely deliveries or on-time performance?		
8. Does the firm currently possess all applicable business, contractor and/or trade licenses or other appropriate licenses or certifications required by applicable state or local laws to engage in the sale of products or services?		
9. Does the firm have all the necessary experience, technical qualifications and resources, including but not limited to equipment, facilities, personnel and financial resources, to successfully provide the referenced product(s) or perform the referenced service(s), or will obtain same through the use of qualified, responsible subcontractors?		
10. Does the firm meet all insurance requirements per applicable law or bid specifications including general liability insurance, workers' compensation insurance, and automobile liability insurance?		
11. Firm acknowledges that it must provide appropriate documentation to support this Contractor Responsibility Certification if so requested by the City of Gainesville. The firm also understands that the City of Gainesville may request additional information or documents to evaluate the responsibility of firm. Firm agrees to provide such additional information or supporting documentation for this Certification.		

Under the penalty of perjury, the Proposer's authorized representative hereby certifies that all information included in the Contractor Responsibility Certification or otherwise submitted for purposes of determining the Proposer's status as a responsible contractor is true, complete and accurate and that he/she has knowledge and authority to verify the information in this certification or otherwise submitted on behalf of the Proposer by his or her signature below.

Name of Proposer: _____

Name/Title of Authorized Representative: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SUBCONTRACTOR/SUBCONSULTANT LIST AND BIDDER STATUS

The Proposer shall provide information on all prospective subcontractor(s)/subconsultant(s) who will participate on this solicitation. Use additional sheets as necessary.

IDENTIFY EVERY SUBCONTRACTOR(S)/ SUBCONSULTANT(S)	SCOPE OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED	CERTIFIED D/M/WBE FIRM? (Check all that apply)	PERVIOUS YEAR'S ANNUAL GROSS RECEIPT'S	UTILIZING ON THIS PROJECT
NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ _____ PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____ _____	SCOPE OF WORK: _____ _____ _____ AGE OF FIRM: _____	YES _____ NO: _____ IF YES, DBE _____ OR MBE _____ OR WBE _____	____ Less than \$500K ____ \$500K-\$2 mil ____ \$2 mil - \$5 mil ____ more than \$5 mil.	YES or NO
NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ _____ PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____ _____	SCOPE OF WORK: _____ _____ _____ AGE OF FIRM: _____	YES _____ NO _____ IF YES, DBE _____ OR MBE _____ OR WBE _____	____ Less than \$500K ____ \$500K-\$2 mil ____ \$2 mil - \$5 mil ____ more than \$5 mil.	YES or NO
NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ _____ PHONE: _____ FAX: _____ CONTACT PERSON: _____ _____	SCOPE OF WORK: _____ _____ _____ AGE OF FIRM: _____	YES _____ NO _____ IF YES, DBE _____ OR MBE _____ OR WBE _____	____ Less than \$500K ____ \$500K-\$2 mil ____ \$2 mil - \$5 mil ____ more than \$5 mil.	YES Or NO

Check here if use of subcontractor(s)/subconsultant(s) is/are not applicable for this project: ☐

Name of Proposer: _____

Name/Title of Authorized Representative: _____

Is Bidder/Proposer a DBE? ____ Yes ____ No

If No, is Bidder/Proposer a M/WBE? ____ Yes ____ No

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SECTION VII – PRICE PROPOSAL

The rates include all costs that the offeror(s) intends to recover, such as, but not limited to: testing and evaluation steps, supervision, labor, equipment, materials, vehicle licensing, vehicle title, pick-up, financing, carrying charges, and all other such charges to accommodate the services and requirements. No price adjustments will be made, unless specifically provided for by an additional provision included in this contract.

TERM – THREE (3) YEARS					
Line Item	Description	QTY	UOM	Unit Cost	Extended Cost
1	Startup Costs (e.g. Vehicle, Infrastructure)	1	LOT	\$	\$
2	Monthly Service	36	MO	\$	\$
TOTAL BASE TERM					\$
3	Additional Hours of Service	1	HR	\$	

Provide the following separately within proposal in a format of your choice:

- Cost proposal to provide storage and charging facility for their vehicles as an option to be exercised by RTS as a separate item
- Cost proposal for any road improvements on the proposed project route

DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE FORM

The undersigned vendor in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087 hereby certifies that

_____ does:
(Name of Business)

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance program,s, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for the drug abuse violations.
3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (1).
4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 893 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
5. Impose a sanction on, or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

Name/Title of Authorized Representative: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

DEBARRED AND SUSPENDED BIDDERS:

Breach of Contract

1. Scope.
This policy prescribes policies and procedures relating to:
 - (a) the debarment of bidders for cause;
 - (b) the suspension of bidders for cause under prescribed conditions; and,
 - (c) the rejection of bids, revocation of acceptance and termination of contracts for cause.

It is directly applicable to the advertised and negotiated purchases and contracts, for equipment and services of the City.
2. General.
Debarment and suspension are measures which may be invoked by the City either to exclude or to disqualify bidders and contractors from participation in City contracting or subcontracting. These measures should be used for the purpose of protecting the interests of the City and not for punishment. To assure the City the benefits to be derived from the full and free competition of interested bidders, these measures should not be instituted for any time longer than deemed necessary to protect the interests of the City, and should preclude awards only for the probable duration of the period of non-responsibility.
- 2.1 Definitions.
 - (a) "Debarment" means, in general, an exclusion from City contracting and subcontracting for a reasonable, specified period of time commensurate with the seriousness of the offense, improper conduct or inadequate performance.
 - (b) "Suspension" means a disqualification from City contracting and subcontracting for a temporary period of time because a concern or individual is suspected upon adequate evidence (See Section 6) of engaging in criminal, fraudulent, improper conduct or inadequate performance.
 - (c) A "debarment list" or "debarred bidders list" means a list of names of concerns or individuals against whom any or all of the measures referred to in this policy have been invoked.
 - (d) "Bidders" means, wherever the term is used in this policy, an offerors bidding pursuant to an invitation for bids or a request for proposals.
 - (e) "Affiliates" means business concerns which are affiliates of each other when either directly or indirectly one concern or individual controls or has the power to control another, or when a third party controls or has the power to control both.
 - (f) "Business operations" means commercial or industrial activity engaged in regularly and continuously over a period of time for the purpose of receiving pecuniary benefit or otherwise accomplishing an objective. "Business operations" constitute and are equivalent to "carrying on business", "engaged in business", "doing business".
3. Establishment and Maintenance of a List of Concerns or Individuals Debarred or Suspended.
 - (a) The Procurement Division shall establish and maintain on the basis contained in Sections 6 and 6.1, a consolidated list of concerns and individuals to whom contracts will not be awarded and from whom bids or proposals will not be solicited.
 - (b) The list shall show as a minimum the following information:
 - (1) the names of those concerns or individuals debarred or suspended (in alphabetical order) with appropriate cross-reference where more than one name is involved in a single action;
 - (2) the basis of authority for each action;
 - (3) the extent of restrictions imposed; and,
 - (4) the termination date for each debarred or suspended listing.
 - (c) The list shall be kept current by issuance of notices of additions and deletions.
4. Treatment to be Accorded Firms or Individuals Debarred or Suspended
Firms or individuals listed by the Procurement Division as debarred or suspended shall be treated as follows.
 - (a) Total restrictions. A contract shall not be awarded to a concern or individual that is listed on the basis of a Section 5(a)(1), (2) or (3) felony "conviction", or to any concern, corporation, partnership, or association in which the listed concern or individual has actual control or a material interest; nor shall bids or proposals be solicited therefrom. However, when it is determined essential in the public interest by the City Commission, an exception may be made with respect to a particular procurement action where the individual or concern is effectively the sole source of supply or it is an emergency purchase.
 - (b) Restrictions on subcontracting. If a concern or individual listed on the debarred and suspended bidders list is proposed as a subcontractor, the Procurement Division shall decline to approve subcontracting with that firm or individual in any instance in which consent is required of the City before the subcontract is made, unless it is determined by the City to grant approval City Commission essential to public interest and the individual or concern is effectively the sole source of supply or it is an emergency purchase.
5. Causes and Conditions Applicable to Determination of Debarment.
Subject to the following conditions, the Procurement Division is authorized to debar a firm or individual in the public interest for any of the following causes occurring with ten (10) years of debarment.

- (a) Causes
 - (1) "Conviction" for commission of a criminal offense as an incident to obtaining or attempting to obtain a public or private contract, or subcontract thereunder, or in the performance of such contract or subcontract.
 - (2) "Convictions" of embezzlement, theft, forgery, issuance of worthless checks, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, perjury, or receiving stolen property where the conviction is based upon conduct which arose out of, or was related to, business operations of the bidder.
 - (3) "Conviction" for bid-rigging activities arising out of the submission of bids or proposals.
 - (4) Violation of contract provisions, as set forth below, of a character which is regarded by the City to be so serious as to justify debarment action:
 - (i) willful failure to perform in accordance with the specifications or within the time limit provided in the contract;
 - (ii) a record of failure to perform or of unsatisfactory performance in accordance with the terms of one or more contracts. Failure to perform or unsatisfactory performance caused by acts beyond the control of the firm or individual as a contractor shall not be considered to be a basis for debarment.
 - (5) Debarment by any other governmental agency.
- (b) Conditions.
 - (1) Debarment for any of the causes set forth in this section shall be made only upon approval of the Procurement Division.
 - (2) The existence of any of the causes set forth in (a) of this section does not necessarily require that a firm or individual be debarred except as provided in 4(a). In each instance, whether the offense or failure, or inadequacy of performance, be of criminal, fraudulent, or serious nature, the decision to debar shall only be made if supported by a preponderance of the credible evidence available. Likewise, all mitigating factors may be considered in determining the seriousness of the offense, failure, or inadequacy of performance, in deciding whether debarment is warranted. The actual or apparent authority of an involved individual, the present relationship of involved individuals with the bidder, the past performance of the individual or concern, and the relationship of the violation to the services or materials involved shall be considered.
 - (3) The existence of a cause set forth in (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this section shall be established by criminal "conviction" by a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event that an appeal taken from such conviction results in reversal of the "conviction", the debarment shall be removed upon the request of the bidder (unless other causes for debarment exists). For the purposes of this policy, the following shall have the same effect as a "conviction": pleading guilty or nolo contendere, or being found guilty by a jury or court of, the offense in question, regardless of whether probation is imposed and adjudication withheld.
 - (4) The existence of a cause set forth in (a)(4) and (5) of this section shall be established by a preponderance of credible evidence by the Procurement Division.
 - (5) Debarment for the cause set forth in (a)(5) of this section (debarment by another agency) shall be proper if one of the causes for debarment set forth in (a)(1) through (4) of this section was the basis for debarment by the original debarring agency. Such debarment may be based entirely on the record of facts obtained by the original debarring agency, or upon a combination of such facts and additional facts.

5.1 Period of Debarment.

- (a) Debarment of a firm or individual shall be for a reasonable, definitely stated period of time commensurate with the seriousness of the offense or the failure or inadequacy of performance. As a general rule, a period of debarment shall not exceed five (5) years. However, when partial or total debarment for an additional period is deemed necessary, notice of the proposed additional debarment shall be furnished to that concern or individual in accordance with Section 8.
- (b) A debarment may be removed or the period thereof may be reduced by the City Manager upon the submission of an application supported by documentary evidence, setting forth appropriate grounds for the granting of relief; such as newly discovered material evidence, reversal of a conviction, bona fide change of ownership or management, or the elimination of the causes for which the debarment was imposed. The City Manager may request additional information, shall consider all relevant facts, and shall render a decision within twenty (20) days of receipt of the application unless a longer period is warranted under the circumstances.

6. Suspension of Bidders.

- (a) Suspension is a drastic action and, as such, shall not be based upon an unsupported accusation. In assessing whether evidence exists for invoking a suspension, consideration should be given to the amount of credible evidence which is available, to the existence or absence of corroboration as to important allegations, as well as to the inferences which may properly be drawn from the existence or absence of affirmative facts. This assessment should include an examination of basic documents, such as contracts, inspection reports, and correspondence. In making a determination to suspend, the Procurement Division shall consider the factors set forth in Section 5(b)(2). A suspension may be modified by the City Manager as described in Section 5.1(b).

6.1 Causes and Conditions Under Which the City May Suspend Contractors

- (a) The Procurement Division may, in the interest of the City, suspend a firm or individual when the firm or individual is suspected, upon credible evidence, of having committed one or more the following act(s) within three (3) years of the date of suspension:
 - (1) Commission of fraud or a criminal offense as an incident to obtaining, attempting to obtain, or in the performance of a public contract;
 - (2) Violation of statutes concerning bid-rigging activities out of the submission of bids and proposals; and,
 - (3) Commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, issuance of worthless checks, bribery, falsification, or destruction of records, perjury, receiving stolen property. Commission of any other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty which seriously and directly affects the question of present responsibility as a City contractor.

6.2 Period of Suspension.

- (a) All suspension shall be for temporary period pending the completion of an investigation and such legal proceedings as may ensue. In the event that prosecution has not been initiated within twelve (12) months form the date of the suspension, the suspension shall be terminated. Upon removal of suspension, consideration may be given to debarment in accordance with Section 5 of this policy.

7. Scope of Debarment or Suspension.

- (a) A debarment or suspension may include all known affiliates of a concern or individual.
- (b) Each decision to include a known affiliate within the scope of a proposed debarment or suspension is to be made on a case-by-case basis, after giving due regard to actual or apparent authority of the controlling concern or individual and similarity of the services provided by the affiliate to those provided by the debarred individual or concern.
- (c) The criminal, fraudulent, or seriously improper conduct of an individual may be imputed to the business concern with which he is connected, where such impropriety was accomplished within the course of his official duty or apparent authority, or was effected by him with the knowledge and approval of that concern. When the individual was an officer of the concern, knowledge and approval may be presumed. Likewise, where a concern is involved in criminal, fraudulent, or seriously improper conduct, any individual who was involved in the commission of the impropriety may be debarred or suspended.

8. Notice of Debarment or Suspension.

When the Procurement Division seeks to debar or suspend a concern or individual (or any affiliate thereof) for cause, it shall furnish that party with a written notice:

- (1) stating that debarment or suspension is being considered;
- (2) setting forth the reasons for the proposed action;
- (3) indicating that such party will be afforded an opportunity for a hearing if requested within ten (10) days; and,
- (4) indicating that such party may make a written response in accordance with Section 9(a).

9. Response to Notice of Debarment or Suspension.

- (a) In lieu of requesting a hearing within the prescribed ten (10) day period, the party may, within said ten (10) day period, notify the City of its intent to provide a written reply and submit written evidence to contest the debarment or suspension. Such written evidence must be submitted within twenty (20) days after receipt of the notice of proposed debarment or suspension in order for it to be considered.
- (b) Whatever response is received to the notice of intent to debar or suspend, such will be considered in determining whether debarment or suspension action will be made. Where a reply is received to the notice of intent to debar or to suspend, and evidence to refute such action is furnished but no hearing is requested, the information furnished will be considered in determining the action to be taken.
- (c) If a hearing is requested, it shall be conducted by the City Manager. The hearing will be held at a location convenient to the City as determined by the City Manager and on a date and at a time stated. An opportunity shall be afforded to the firm or individual to appear with witnesses and counsel, to present facts or circumstances showing cause why such firm or individual should not be debarred or suspended. The proceeding shall be of an informal nature as determined by the City Manager. After consideration of the facts, the City Manager shall notify the firm or individual of the final decision.
- (d) If no response is made to the notice of debarment or suspension within the first ten (10) day period, the decision of the Procurement Division shall be deemed final and the party so notified.

10. Rejection of Bids, Breach of Contract.

- (a) Previously solicited and/or accepted bids may be rejected or acceptance revoked prior to beginning of performance upon discovery by the City that the bidder or its affiliates have committed any act which would have been cause for debarment.
- (b) If after a contract is awarded and performance has been begun the City discovers that the bidder or its affiliates have committed any act prior to award or acceptance which would have been cause for debarment had it been discovered prior to solicitation or acceptance, the City may consider such to be a material breach of the contract and such shall constitute cause for termination of the contract.

- (c) If after bids have been solicited and/or accepted or after a contract is awarded and performance begun, the City discovers that the bidder or its affiliates committed any act prior to award or acceptance which would have been cause for disbarment or suspension had it been discovered prior to solicitation or acceptance, the City may require additional satisfactory assurances that such act(s) have not occurred and that the contract can and will be faithfully performed. If additional assurances are requested and are not satisfactory or if the bidder or its affiliates fail to immediately cooperate with all reasonable requests, including requests for information reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of relevant evidence, then such may be considered a material breach of the contract and such shall constitute cause for termination of the contract.

PROPOSAL RESPONSE FORM – SIGNATURE PAGE**(submit this form with your proposal)**

TO: City of Gainesville, Florida
 200 East University Avenue
 Gainesville, Florida 32601

PROJECT: **Gainesville Autonomous Transit Shuttle (GAToRS)**

RFP/RFQ#: **RTSX-180030-DS**

RFP/RFQ DUE DATE: **October 3, 2017**

Proposer's Legal Name: _____

Proposer's Alias/DBA: _____

Proposer's Address: _____

PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIVE (to be contacted for additional information on this proposal):

Name: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Date: _____ Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

ADDENDA

The Proposer hereby acknowledges receipt of Addenda No.'s _____, _____, _____, to these Specifications.

TAXES

The Proposer agrees that any applicable Federal, State and Local sales and use taxes, which are to be paid by City of Gainesville, are included in the stated bid prices. Since often the City of Gainesville is exempt from taxes for equipment, materials and services, it is the responsibility of the Contractor to determine whether sales taxes are applicable. The Contractor is liable for any applicable taxes which are not included in the stated bid prices.

QUALIFIED LOCAL SMALL AND/OR SERVICE DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS STATUS (check one)

Is your business qualified as a Local Small and/or Disabled Veteran Business in accordance with the City of Gainesville Small Business Procurement Program? ☐ YES ☐ NO

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (check one)

Is your business qualified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in accordance with Federal regulations published at 49 C.F.R. part 26? ☐ YES ☐ NO

SIGNATURE ACKNOWLEDGES THAT: (check one)

- ☐ Proposal is in full compliance with the Specifications.
- ☐ Proposal is in full compliance with specifications except as specifically stated and attached hereto.

Signature also acknowledges that Proposer has read the current City of Gainesville Debarment/Suspension/Termination Procedures and agrees that the provisions thereof shall apply to this RFP.

(CORPORATE SEAL)

ATTEST:

PROPOSER:

Signature

Signature

By:_____

By:_____

Title:_____

Title:_____

**CITY OF GAINESVILLE
GENERAL GOVERNMENT
PROCUREMENT DIVISION SURVEY
BID INFORMATION**

BID #: **RTSX-180030-DS**

DUE DATE: **October 3, 2017**

SEALED PROPOSAL ON: **Gainesville Autonomous Transit Shuttle (GAToRS)**

IF YOU DO NOT BID

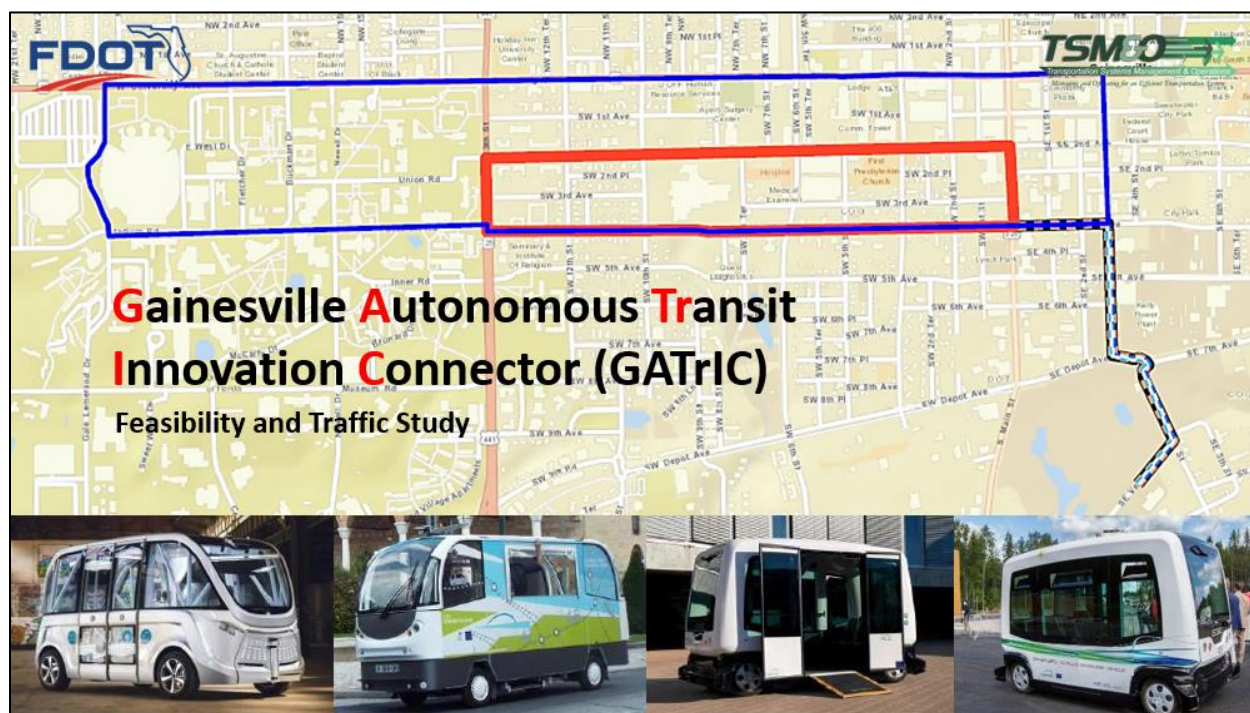
Please check the appropriate or explain:

- _____ 1. Not enough bid response time.
- _____ 2. Specifications not clear.
- _____ 3. Do not submit bids to Municipalities.
- _____ 4. Current work load does not permit time to bid.
- _____ 5. Delay in payment from Governmental agencies.
- _____ 6. Do not handle this item.
- _____ 7. Other: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

ATTACHMENT



Executive Summary

Florida Department of Transportation

State Traffic Engineering and Operations Office

Transportation Systems Management and Operations Division

Tallahassee, Florida

June 8, 2017

Background

The City of Gainesville Regional Transportation System (RTS) and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) are planning to implement an autonomous transit system near the University of Florida campus within downtown Gainesville. The proposed route for the autonomous transit route circumnavigates the City's Innovation Square on SE 2nd Avenue, SE 13th Street, SE 4th Avenue and South Main Street. The proposal was dubbed as the Gainesville Autonomous Transit Innovation Connector (GATrIC) to describe the location and proposed use of autonomous transit technology.

Study Approach

The purpose of the Feasibility and Traffic Study is to identify and highlight any traffic or safety conditions that implementation of GATrIC will need to accommodate for the safe and efficient operation of the autonomous transit system.

Specifically, the study looked at the following conditions:

- Crash statistics
- Traffic characteristics including cars, transit, pedestrians, bicyclists, motorized scooters, and skateboards
- Traffic volumes
- Existing traffic control including traffic signal systems, stop control, roundabouts, crosswalks including mid-block crosswalks, parallel parking, bike lanes, and bus stops
- Observations along with operational, safety, and security/vandalism ratings provided by seven bus drivers with experience in the corridor

A multi-faceted approach to data collection included meetings with the City of Gainesville and RTS staff, a field review of the proposed GATrIC corridor, review of crash statistics, review of traffic statistics, use of Google Earth to capture images, and finally, interviews with RTS drivers who drive routes within or crossing the GATrIC corridor.

Potential GATrIC Operation Impacts

A PowerPoint presentation documents the observations, findings and recommendations from the study. These observations and recommendations are summarized below:

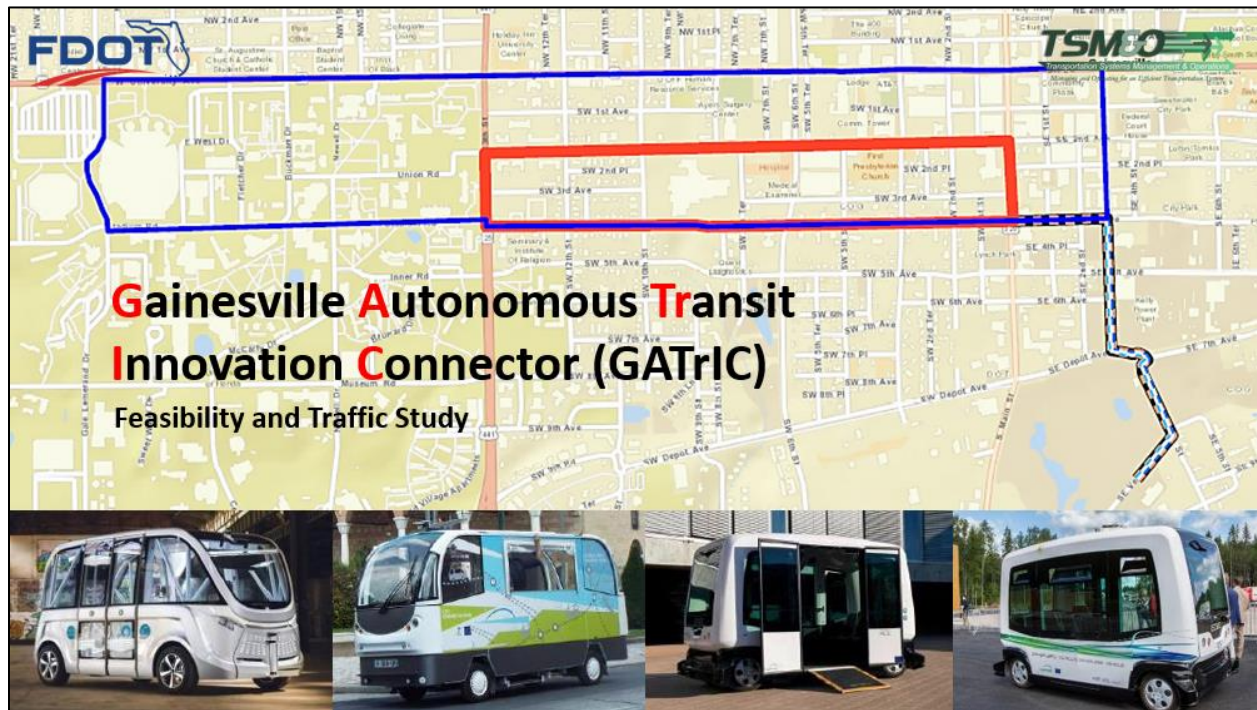
- **Pedestrians:** During morning, midday and afternoon peak periods pedestrians are present at many crosswalks and often walk in the street between crosswalks to access parked cars. Once in crosswalks, pedestrians don't always cross directly but may stop to check cell phones or talk to companions. Pedestrians are regularly observed walking in the streets rather than on the sidewalks.
- **Roundabouts:** Current transit drivers experience delays in the three roundabouts due to other drivers attempting to jump ahead of the buses.

- **Traffic signals:** Traffic signals at SE 13th Street can be long and crossing is delayed by pedestrian volumes. The signals at SE 13th Street also have “NO RIGHT TURN ON RED” electronic blank-out signs. Traffic signals on 6th Street north and south of the SE 2nd Avenue roundabout can cause traffic to back up into the roundabout.
- **Traffic Volumes:** Traffic volumes result in fully-utilized green time for the through movement on SE 13th Street. Pedestrian volumes are heavy crossing SE 13th Street, as students move between the University of Florida campus and student housing during peak periods. The need to yield to pedestrians often hinders right turns onto SE 13th Street from SE 4th Avenue and from SE 13th Street to SE 2nd Avenue.
- **Stop Signs:** Some stop sign control is present on SE 4th Avenue. Most of the stop-controlled intersections are 4-way stops, one is two-way. The GATrIC vehicles will need to know which are which and respond to cross traffic accordingly.
- **Scooters and Bicycles:** Scooter drivers and bicyclists are often observed not stopping at stop signs.
- **Crashes:** Historically, nearly all the crashes along the corridor are at intersections. Of the 309 crashes studied, 20 involved pedestrians or bicyclists. Some of the crashes resulted in directional or full roadway closures. The frequency of roadway closures suggests the need to consider detour routes for GATrIC operation.
- **Detour Route Options:** A map of potential detour routes is provided in the PowerPoint presentation. Roadways North and South of the GATrIC corridor are potential detour routes. Roadways West of SW 13th Street and East of S Main Street are not advised for detour routes due to complicated maneuvers to cross high traffic roadways. Two-way roadways with adequate pavement markings, without roadside parking or wide roadway with parking, and at least 22-foot wide roadway are recommended for detour routes.
- **Travel-Time Variability:** GATrIC travel time around the corridor is expected to range from about 16 minutes to 22 minutes. Pedestrians, loading-unloading, parked vehicles, roundabouts and other noted traffic elements will cause highly variable travel times.
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Study Approach

The purpose of the Feasibility and Traffic Study is to identify and highlight any traffic or safety conditions that implementation of GATrIC will need to accommodate for the safe and efficient operation of the autonomous transit system.

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- Crash statistics
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- Traffic volumes
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