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Mr. Abdoulaye Touré  
TLGC Tennis, LLC  
501 SW 75<sup>th</sup> Street  
Gainesville, FL 32607

RE: RFP#RECX110013-DH Bid Protest

Dear Mr. Touré:

Pursuant to purchasing procedures, Bid Protests (41-580), a protest hearing was conducted on January 27, 2011. During the hearing, you and your legal representative discussed your protest letter, Professional Experience document and letter of recommendation from Moussa Aggrey, as well as the bid document and requirements requested.

Based on the information presented, I found no reason to reverse the decision of the bid award. Nothing that was submitted or brought to my attention showed that you met the minimum qualifications requested within the time frame required.

After careful consideration, I have denied your protest. As detailed in the attached copy of the bid protest procedures, "A bidder or proposer who has exhausted the procedures in 2A above may appeal the decision of the City Manager, or other Charter Officer as applicable, to the City Commission or designee, which appeal shall be scheduled by the Charter Officer involved. The appeal must be filed with the Purchasing Manager within three (3) business days of receipt of the Charter Officers' decision. It is the responsibility such protester to make copies of the record available for each City Commissioner or the City Commission's designee, if applicable, at least seven (7) business days in advance of any scheduled hearing." If you do not contact us by this time, the decision above will stand.

Please find attached a copy of the bid protest procedures.

Sincerely,

Russ Blackburn  
City Manager

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