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PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

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February 10, 2016

Subject: Douglas County, Georgia, Board of Commissioners
Request for Proposal – Architectural / Design Services-Transportation Center Expansion
Solicitation No. 16-005

Dear Ladies/Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the Douglas County Board of Commissioners, Request for Proposal, covering Architectural / Design Services for the Douglas County Transportation Center, Douglas County Georgia.

IMPORTANT DATES:

RFP Issued:	February 10, 2016
Pre-proposal Conference:	February 24, 2016
Questions Due:	March 4, 2016
Responses Due:	March 10, 2016
Proposals Due:	March 30, 2016

The RFP due date is March 30, 2016 no later than 2:00 pm ET. The RFP Opening will be held on March 30, 2016 at 2:00 p.m., ET, at the Douglas County Courthouse, Third Floor, Purchasing Bid Opening Room, 8700 Hospital Drive, Douglasville, Georgia. You are invited to attend, or submit your RFP prior to the deadline as stated in the attachments. Each RFP should be marked on the outside of the envelope with: “Sealed RFP for Architectural / Design Services-Transportation Center Expansion, 16-005”.

Thank you in advance for your interest and we look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Bill C. Peacock
Purchasing Director

Attachments

web site: CelebrateDouglasCounty.com

e-mail: bpeacock@co.douglas.ga.us

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DOUGLAS COUNTY, GEORGIA, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Purchasing Department
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
Solicitation No. 16-005
Architectural / Design Services – Transportation Center Expansion

The Douglas County Board of Commissioners and its Rideshare/Multi-Modal Transportation Services Division are seeking a qualified consultant/architect to design an expansion/addition to the Douglas County Multi-Modal Transportation Center administrative/customer service building located at 8800 Dorris Road in Douglasville, GA.

The current administrative/customer service building has a 6,500 square footprint that includes a large, open lobby/waiting area, offices, a customer service counter and approximately 750 square feet of space that was previously occupied by a credit union.

The addition/expansion will include approximately 3,500 square feet in additional space. Preliminary plans are to attach the addition to the southwest side of the building, connecting it with the space formerly occupied by the credit union.

All information for interested bidders, and RFP documents may be obtained at the office of the Douglas County Purchasing Department, (770.920.7247), located on the third floor of the Douglas County Courthouse, at 8700 Hospital Drive, Douglasville, Georgia.

Sealed RFP in response to this Request for Proposal will be received by the:

Douglas County Board of Commissioners
Bill Peacock - Purchasing Director
3rd Floor
8700 Hospital Drive
Douglasville, Georgia 30134

The RFP due date is March 30, 2016 no later than 2:00 PM ET. RFPs will be opened at 2:00 PM ET on the RFP Due Date in the Purchasing Bid Opening Room on the third floor of the Courthouse. One (1) unbound original and three (3) copies of the Proposal and Pricing Information must be received at the Purchasing Department's office not later than 2:00 p.m. March 30, 2016. You are invited to attend, or submit your RFP prior to the deadline. Each response should be marked on the outside of the envelope with: "Sealed RFP for Architectural / Design Services – Transportation Center Expansion, 16-005." RFPs may be mailed or hand delivered to the Purchasing Department.

A Pre-proposal Conference / Site Visit will be held at the Douglas County Multi-Modal Transportation Center Administrative/Customer Service building located at 8800 Dorris Road in Douglasville, GA on February 24, 2016 at 10:00 AM ET. Attendance is encouraged but is not mandatory. All questions must be received by 5:00 P. M., E.T., FRIDAY MARCH 4, 2016 either by e-mail, mail or fax. (No questions by telephone will be accepted. All responses will be provided by or no later than 5:00 P.M., E.T., THURSDAY MARCH 10, 2016.). No other County staff or officials associated with this Project should be contacted regarding this bid. DOING SO, MAY RESULT IN BIDDER'S DISQUALIFICATION.

Douglas County reserves the right to waive any informalities, to reject any and all RFPs, to evaluate RFPs, to accept portions of any RFPs and to accept any RFP, which in its opinion, may be in the best interest of the County. The County reserves the right to add to or delete from the contract after the contract has been awarded.

No RFP will be received or accepted after the above specified date and time of the RFP opening. RFPs submitted after the designated date and time will be deemed invalid and returned unopened to the bidder.

No RFP may be withdrawn within thirty (30) days after the RFP opening and all RFPs shall remain firm during this period.

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
ARCHITECTURAL/DESIGN SERVICES
DOUGLAS COUNTY TRANSPORTATION CENTER EXPANSION**

The Douglas County Board of Commissioners and its Rideshare/Multi-Modal Transportation Services Division are seeking a qualified consultant/architect to design an expansion/addition to the Douglas County Multi-Modal Transportation Center administrative/customer service building located at 8800 Dorris Road in Douglasville, GA.

The current administrative/customer service building has a 6,500 square footprint that includes a large, open lobby/waiting area, offices, a customer service counter and approximately 750 square feet of space that was previously occupied by a credit union.

The addition/expansion will include approximately 3,500 square feet in additional space. Preliminary plans are to attach the addition to the southwest side of the building, connecting it with the space formerly occupied by the credit union.

The scope of work will include:

- Redesigning the old credit union space, including two drive-through ports, for more effective use as offices.
- Demolishing the canopied drive-through.
- Seamlessly connecting the redesigned credit union space with the addition.
- The addition will include:
 1. A large open training/meeting area
 2. Administrative offices to accommodate an Office of Risk and Safety and employees who will be assigned to future transit/mobility programs.
 3. Restrooms for public and staff access.
 4. A warming kitchen/break area.
 5. A suite, approximately 400 to 500 square feet to accommodate drug and alcohol testing programs that are required by Multi-Modal's federal funding sources. To the greatest degree possible, this suite will need to be segregated from other space that will be used by staff or the public.
 6. The exact number of offices and the size of the drug and alcohol suite will be determined during initial discussions between the consultant/architect and Multi-Modal, Risk and Safety and other Douglas County officials.
 7. Any special accommodations determined by the tenants.
 8. The addition is to blend in with the architecture and style of the existing building.
 9. Any environmental issues will need to be considered during the design process.

This project is being funded by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Douglas County Board of Commissioners. All applicable FTA and Douglas County regulations and requirements must be followed.

No geographical preference will be considered in selecting the consultant/architect.

This project will not require Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation. However, the prime contractor is encouraged to utilize DBE subcontractors, and qualified DBE firms are encouraged to submit bids as the prime contractor. A list of DBE contractors certified by the State of Georgia is on the Georgia Department of Transportation's website at www.dot.ga.gov/doingbusiness/DisadvantagedBusinessEnterprise. Only DBEs certified by the State can count toward Douglas County's goal in its federally-required DBE program.

Douglas County will offer a non-mandatory pre-bid meeting and site visit of the Transportation Center building to allow potential bidders to gain a thorough understanding of the design work to be done. The site visit is scheduled for **February 24, 2016 at 10:00am EST**.

Protests concerning Douglas County purchasing policies, contract requirements, specifications, bidding procedures, the contract award or any other explanation or clarification must be submitted in writing. Pre-award protests must be received by the Douglas County Purchasing Director no less than ten days before the scheduled bid opening. Post-award protests must be received no later than five working days after notification of the award bid.

Protests should be sent to:
Douglas County Board of Commissioners
Mr. Bill Peacock, Purchasing Director
8700 Hospital Drive
Douglasville, GA 30134
Fax: 770-920-7219
E-mail: dcpurchasing@co.douglas.ga.us.

Firms submitting bids will be required to acknowledge and sign off on certain FTA mandated clauses (see below). Bids that do not have the proper acknowledgement of FTA clauses will be deemed unresponsive. Bidders should include their signed acknowledgements (gray shaded areas) and the complete list of FTA clauses below with their proposal.

Douglas County Rideshare/Multi-Modal Transportation Division

Transportation Center Expansion Design

Required FTA Clauses and Certifications

ENERGY CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS

**42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.
49 CFR Part 18**

Applicability to Contracts

The Energy Conservation requirements are applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Energy Conservation requirements extend to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their subagreements at every tier.

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.

CLEAN WATER REQUIREMENTS

33 U.S.C. 1251

Applicability to Contracts

The Clean Water requirements apply to each contract and subcontract which exceeds \$100,000.

Flow Down

The Clean Water requirements flow down to FTA recipients and subrecipients at every tier.

Clean Water - (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq. The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office. (2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

LOBBYING

31 U.S.C. 1352
49 CFR Part 19
49 CFR Part 20

Applicability to Contracts

The Lobbying requirements apply to Construction/Architectural and Engineering/Acquisition of Rolling Stock/Professional Service Contract/Operational Service Contract/Turnkey contracts.

Flow Down

The Lobbying requirements mandate the maximum flow down, pursuant to Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352(b)(5) and 49 C.F.R. Part 19, Appendix A, Section 7.

APPENDIX A, 49 CFR PART 20--CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned [Contractor] 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 making lobbying contacts to 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 [as amended by "Government wide Guidance for New Restrictions on Lobbying," 61 Fed. Reg. 1413 (1/19/96). Note: Language in paragraph (2) herein has been modified in accordance with Section 10 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (P.L. 104-65, to be codified at 2 U.S.C. 1601, *et seq.*.)]

(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 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). 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.

[Note: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 1352(c)(1)-(2)(A), any person who makes a prohibited expenditure or fails to file or amend a required certification or disclosure form shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such expenditure or failure.]

The Contractor signing this certification in the proper space below, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. A 3801, *et seq.*, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Firm:

Signing on behalf of firm:

Title of Individual Signing:

Date:

ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

49 U.S.C. 5325
18 CFR 18.36 (i)
49 CFR 633.17

Flow Down

FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

Access to Records - The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Where the Purchaser is not a State but a local government and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C. F. R. 18.36(i), the Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to 49 C. F. R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.

2. Where the Purchaser is a State and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 633.17, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a major capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$100,000.

3. Where the Purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 19.48, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives with access to any books, documents, papers and record of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.

4. Where any Purchaser which is the FTA Recipient or a subgrantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the

Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the Purchaser, the Secretary of Transportation and the Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.

5. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

6. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three 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 Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i)(11).

FEDERAL CHANGES

49 CFR Part 18

Applicability to Contracts

The Federal Changes requirement applies to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Federal Changes requirement flows down appropriately to each applicable changed requirement.

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 Agreement (Form FTA MA (6) dated October, 2015) 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.

CLEAN AIR

42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq

40 CFR 15.61

49 CFR Part 18

Applicability to Contracts

The Clean Air requirements apply to all contracts exceeding \$100,000, including indefinite quantities where the amount is expected to exceed \$100,000 in any year.

Flow Down

The Clean Air requirements flow down to all subcontracts which exceed \$100,000.

Clean Air - (1) The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq. . The Contractor agrees to report each violation to the Purchaser and understands and agrees that the Purchaser will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to FTA and the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$100,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

Not required by statute or regulation for either primary contractors or subcontractors, this concept should flow down to all levels to clarify, to all parties to the contract, that the Federal Government does not have contractual liability to third parties, absent specific written consent.

No Obligation by the Federal Government.

(1) The Purchaser 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 Purchaser, Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.

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

PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS

AND RELATED ACTS

**31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.
49 CFR Part 31 18 U.S.C. 1001
49 U.S.C. 5307**

Applicability to Contracts

These requirements are applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

These requirements flow down to contractors and subcontractors who make, present, or submit covered claims and statements.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.

(1) 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.

(2) 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.

(3) 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.

TERMINATION

49 U.S.C. Part 18

FTA Circular 4220.1D (**also see** Change 1)

Applicability to Contracts

All contracts (with the exception of contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher education,) in excess of \$10,000 shall contain suitable provisions for termination by the grantee including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement. (For contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher education the threshold is \$100,000.) In addition, such contracts shall describe conditions under which the contract may be terminated for default as well as conditions where the contract may be terminated because of circumstances beyond the control of the contractor.

Flow Down

The termination requirements flow down to all contracts in excess of \$10,000, with the exception of contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher learning.

a. Termination for Convenience (General Provision) Douglas County may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in the Government'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 Douglas County to be paid the Contractor. If the Contractor has any property in its possession belonging to Douglas County, the Contractor will account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner Douglas County directs.

b. 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, Douglas County 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 only be paid 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 Douglas County 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, Douglas County, 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.

c. Opportunity to Cure (General Provision) Douglas County 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 Douglas County's satisfaction the breach or default or any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within [ten (10) days] after receipt by Contractor or written notice from Douglas County setting forth the nature of said breach or default, Douglas County 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 Douglas County from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

d. Waiver of Remedies for any Breach In the event that Douglas County elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term or condition of this Contract, such waiver by Douglas County shall not limit Douglas County's remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract.

e. Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts) Douglas County, by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the Government's interest. If this contract is terminated, Douglas County shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

f. 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, Douglas County may terminate this contract for default. Douglas County 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 Douglas County.

g. 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, Douglas County may terminate this contract for default. Douglas County 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 Douglas County goods, the Contractor shall, upon direction of Douglas County, protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the Recipient or its agent. The Contractor and Douglas County 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 Douglas County.

h. Termination for Default (Construction) If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will insure its completion within the time specified in this contract or any extension or fails to complete the work within this time, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, Douglas County may terminate this contract for default. Douglas County shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. In this event, Douglas County may take over the work and compete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. The Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to Douglas County resulting from the Contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within specified time, whether or not the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by Douglas County in completing the work.

The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor the Contractor charged with damages under this clause if-

1. the delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include: acts of God, acts of Douglas County, acts of another Contractor in the performance of a contract with Douglas County, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and
2. the contractor, within [10] days from the beginning of any delay, notifies Douglas County in writing of the causes of delay. If in the judgment of Douglas County, the delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The judgment of Douglas County shall be final and conclusive on the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clauses.

If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of Douglas County.

i. Termination for Convenience or Default (Architect and Engineering) Douglas County may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for Douglas County's

convenience or because of the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations. Douglas County shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall (1) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver to the Contracting Officer all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.

If the termination is for the convenience of Douglas County, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price but shall allow no anticipated profit on unperformed services.

If the termination is for failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations, Douglas County may complete the work by contract or otherwise and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by Douglas County.

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 Douglas County.

j. Termination for Convenience of Default (Cost-Type Contracts) Douglas County may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a notice or termination on the Contractor. The notice shall state whether the termination is for convenience of Douglas County or for the default of the Contractor. If the termination is for default, the notice shall state the manner in which the contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. The Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from Douglas County, or property supplied to the Contractor by Douglas County. If the termination is for default, Douglas County may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid the contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to Douglas County and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid the Contractor.

If the termination is for the convenience of Douglas County, the Contractor shall be paid its contract close-out costs, and a fee, if the contract provided for payment of a fee, in proportion to the work performed up to the time of termination.

If, after serving a notice of termination for default, Douglas County determines that the Contractor has an excusable reason for not performing, such as strike, fire, flood, events which are not the fault of and are beyond the control of the contractor, Douglas County, after setting up a new work schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION
(NONPROCUREMENT)

49 CFR Part 29
Executive Order 12549

Applicability to Contracts

Executive Order 12549, as implemented by 49 CFR Part 29, prohibits FTA recipients and sub-recipients from contracting for goods and services from organizations that have been suspended or debarred from receiving Federally-assisted contracts. As part of their applications each year, recipients are required to submit a certification to the effect that they will not enter into contracts over \$100,000 with suspended or debarred contractors and that they will require their contractors (and their subcontractors) to make the same certification to them.

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Contractors are required to pass this requirement on to subcontractors seeking subcontracts over \$100,000. Thus, the terms "lower tier covered participant" and "lower tier covered transaction" include both contractors and subcontractors and contracts and subcontracts over \$100,000.

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this bid or proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the signed certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, Douglas County may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to Douglas County if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "persons," "lower tier covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549 [49 CFR Part 29]. You may contact Douglas County for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized in writing by Douglas County.

6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction", without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List issued by U.S. General Service Administration.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under Paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to all remedies available to the Federal Government, Douglas County may pursue available remedies including suspension and/or debarment.

"Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transaction"

(1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this bid or proposal, that neither it nor its "principals" [as defined at 49 C.F.R. § 29.105(p)] is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

(2) When the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Firm:

Signing on behalf of firm:

Title of Individual Signing:

Date:

CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS

**29 U.S.C. § 623, 42 U.S.C. § 2000
42 U.S.C. § 6102, 42 U.S.C. § 12112
42 U.S.C. § 12132, 49 U.S.C. § 5332
29 CFR Part 1630, 41 CFR Parts 60 et seq.**

Applicability to Contracts

The Civil Rights Requirements apply to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Civil Rights requirements flow down to all third party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Civil Rights - The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(1) **Nondiscrimination** - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and 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, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(2) **Equal Employment Opportunity** - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(a) **Race, Color, Creed, National Origin, Sex** - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, 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. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No. 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. 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, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, 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.

(b) Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 623 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.

(c) Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(3) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

BREACHES AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

49 CFR Part 18

FTA Circular 4220.1D (**also see** Change 1)

Applicability to Contracts

All contracts in excess of \$100,000 shall contain provisions or conditions which will allow for administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate. This may include provisions for bonding, penalties for late or inadequate performance, retained earnings, liquidated damages or other appropriate measures.

Flow Down

The Breaches and Dispute Resolutions requirements flow down to all tiers.

Disputes - Disputes arising in the performance of this Contract which are not resolved by agreement of the parties shall be decided in writing by the authorized representative of Douglas County's legal counsel. This decision shall be final and conclusive unless within [ten (10)] days from the date of receipt of its copy, the Contractor mails or otherwise furnishes a written appeal to the legal counsel. 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 legal counsel shall be binding upon the Contractor and the Contractor shall abide by the decision.

Performance During Dispute - Unless otherwise directed by Douglas County, 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 his employees, agents or others for whose acts he is legally liable, a claim for damages therefore shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury of damage.

Remedies - Unless this contract provides otherwise, all claims, counterclaims, disputes and other matters in question between Douglas County 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 Douglas County 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 Douglas County, Architect 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.

PATENT AND RIGHTS IN DATA

**37 CFR Part 401
49 CFR Parts 18 and 19**

Applicability to Contracts

Patent and rights in data requirements for federally assisted projects ONLY apply to research projects in which FTA finances the purpose of the grant is to finance the development of a product or information. These patent and data rights requirements do not apply to capital projects or operating projects, even though a small portion of the sales price may cover the cost of product development or writing the user's manual.

Flow Down

The Patent and Rights in Data requirements apply to all contractors and their contracts at every tier.

CONTRACTS INVOLVING EXPERIMENTAL, DEVELOPMENTAL, OR RESEARCH WORK.

A. Rights in Data - This following requirements apply to each contract involving experimental, developmental or research work:

(1) The term "subject data" used in this clause means recorded information, whether or not copyrighted, that is delivered or specified to be delivered under the contract. The term includes graphic or pictorial delineation in media such as drawings or photographs; text in specifications or related performance or design-type documents; machine forms such as punched cards, magnetic tape, or computer memory printouts; and information retained in computer memory. Examples include, but are not limited to: computer software, engineering drawings and associated lists, specifications, standards, process sheets, manuals, technical reports, catalog item identifications, and related information. The term "subject data" does not include financial reports, cost analyses, and similar information incidental to contract administration.

(2) The following restrictions apply to all subject data first produced in the performance of the contract to which this Attachment has been added:

(a) Except for its own internal use, the Purchaser or Contractor may not publish or reproduce subject data in whole or in part, or in any manner or form, nor may the Purchaser or Contractor authorize others to do so, without the written consent of the Federal Government, until such time as the Federal Government may have either released or approved the release of such data to the public; this restriction on publication, however, does not apply to any contract with an academic institution.

(b) In accordance with 49 C.F.R. § 18.34 and 49 C.F.R. § 19.36, the Federal Government reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use, for "Federal Government purposes," any subject data or copyright described in subsections (2)(b)1 and (2)(b)2 of this clause below. As used in the previous sentence, "for Federal Government purposes," means use only for the direct purposes of the Federal Government. Without the copyright owner's consent, the Federal Government may not extend its Federal license to any other party.

1. Any subject data developed under that contract, whether or not a copyright has been obtained; and

2. Any rights of copyright purchased by the Purchaser or Contractor using Federal assistance in whole or in part provided by FTA.

(c) When FTA awards Federal assistance for experimental, developmental, or research work, it is FTA's general intention to increase transportation knowledge available to the public, rather than to restrict the benefits resulting from the work to participants in that work. Therefore, unless FTA determines otherwise, the Purchaser and the Contractor performing experimental, developmental, or research work required by the underlying contract to which this Attachment is added agrees to permit FTA to make available to the public, either FTA's license in the copyright to any subject data developed in the course of that contract, or a copy of the subject data first produced under the contract for which a

copyright has not been obtained. If the experimental, developmental, or research work, which is the subject of the underlying contract, is not completed for any reason whatsoever, all data developed under that contract shall become subject data as defined in subsection (a) of this clause and shall be delivered as the Federal Government may direct. This subsection (c) , however, does not apply to adaptations of automatic data processing equipment or programs for the Purchaser or Contractor's use whose costs are financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA for transportation capital projects.

(d) Unless prohibited by state law, upon request by the Federal Government, the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to indemnify, save, and hold harmless the Federal Government, its officers, agents, and employees acting within the scope of their official duties against any liability, including costs and expenses, resulting from any willful or intentional violation by the Purchaser or Contractor of proprietary rights, copyrights, or right of privacy, arising out of the publication, translation, reproduction, delivery, use, or disposition of any data furnished under that contract. Neither the Purchaser nor the Contractor shall be required to indemnify the Federal Government for any such liability arising out of the wrongful act of any employee, official, or agents of the Federal Government.

(e) Nothing contained in this clause on rights in data shall imply a license to the Federal Government under any patent or be construed as affecting the scope of any license or other right otherwise granted to the Federal Government under any patent.

(f) Data developed by the Purchaser or Contractor and financed entirely without using Federal assistance provided by the Federal Government that has been incorporated into work required by the underlying contract to which this Attachment has been added is exempt from the requirements of subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this clause , provided that the Purchaser or Contractor identifies that data in writing at the time of delivery of the contract work.

(g) Unless FTA determines otherwise, the Contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

(3) Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, irrespective of the Contractor's status (i.e. , a large business, small business, state government or state instrumentality, local government, nonprofit organization, institution of higher education, individual, etc.), the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to take the necessary actions to provide, through FTA, those rights in that invention due the Federal Government as described in

U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," 37 C.F.R. Part 401.

(4) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

B. Patent Rights - The following requirements apply to each contract involving experimental, developmental, or research work:

(1) General - If any invention, improvement, or discovery is conceived or first actually reduced to practice in the course of or under the contract to which this Attachment has been added, and that invention, improvement, or discovery is patentable under the laws of the United States of America or any foreign country, the Purchaser and Contractor agree to take actions necessary to provide immediate notice and a detailed report to the party at a higher tier until FTA is ultimately notified.

(2) Unless the Federal Government later makes a contrary determination in writing, irrespective of the Contractor's status (a large business, small business, state government or state instrumentality, local government, nonprofit organization, institution of higher education, individual), the Purchaser and the Contractor agree to take the necessary actions to provide, through FTA, those rights in that invention due the Federal Government as described in U.S. Department of Commerce regulations, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," 37 C.F.R. Part 401.

(3) The Contractor also agrees to include the requirements of this clause in each subcontract for experimental, developmental, or research work financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)

49 CFR Part 26

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

a. This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, *Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs*. The national goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) is 10%. Douglas County's overall goal for DBE participation is 19%. A separate contract goal has not been established for this procurement.

b. The contractor 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 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contract. 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 Douglas County deems appropriate. Each subcontract the contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (*see* 49 CFR 26.13(b)).

c. The successful bidder/offeror will be required to report its DBE participation obtained through race-neutral means throughout the period of performance.

d. 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 Douglas County. In addition, the contractor may not hold retainage from its subcontractors.

e. The contractor must promptly notify Douglas County whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work, and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of Douglas County.

Firm:

Signing on behalf of firm:

Title of Individual Signing:

Date:

**INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA)
TERMS**

FTA Circular 4220.1D (**also see** Change 1)

Applicability to Contracts

The incorporation of FTA terms applies to all contracts.

Flow Down

The incorporation of FTA terms has unlimited flow down.

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 4220.1D** (also see **Change 1**), dated April 15, 1996, 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 (name of grantee) requests which would cause (name of grantee) to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On behalf of the firm/company listed below, I acknowledge that the project we are submitting a bid for is being funded in part by the Federal Transit Administration, and as such, Douglas County and my firm are required to abide by certain FTA requirements, including the clauses prior to this acknowledgement. By inclusion or reference, the FTA clauses prior to this acknowledgement will be part of any contract between my firm and Douglas County.

Failure to comply with these requirements, or failure to comply with Douglas County's request for documentation relating to these requirements could result in our participation in the project being suspended or terminated.

I also acknowledge that there may be other FTA requirements not listed above that my firm will have to adhere to. If so, it will be Douglas County's responsibility to communicate these to me in a timely manner.

Firm:

Signing on behalf of the firm:

Title of Individual Signing:

Date:

INVITATION TO BID: Architectural / Design Services - Transportation Center Expansion SOLICITATION NO. 16-005 BID OPENING DATE: 3/30/2016 CLOSING TIME: 2:00 PM	THIS BID TO RETURNED TO DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Purchasing Department 8700 HOSPITAL DRIVE DOUGLASVILLE, GA 30135
Douglas County Board of Commissioners See Attached Terms/General Conditions	BIDDER INFORMATION The bidder information block below to be completely filled out. Failure to sign statement below by authorized representative will render bid invalid All bids must be typewritten or printed in ink.
Contact (County Staff): Bill Peacock Telephone Number: 770-920-7247 Email: bpeacock@co.douglas.ga.us	Company Name: _____ _____
ALL BIDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS WHEN CHECKED: 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The below instructions, and "General Conditions" attached. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The attached Agency Contract Terms and Conditions shall apply (___) page(s). 3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the attached "General Conditions" shall apply (6) page(s). 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In conformance with the attached "Specifications" (___) page(s). 5. ___ See attached (___) page(s) of (___) line items. 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equipment or supplies offered to conform to the attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plans/Specs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sample(s) 7. ___ Bidders must show manufacturer's name and model number for each line item offered 8. ___ Bidders to furnish specifications and complete descriptive literature with bid if offering substitute or alternate item. Bidder is cautioned to carefully read the instructions and the terms and conditions on the attached sheets. Failure to adhere to these instructions and terms and conditions may result in rejection of bid.	Address: _____ _____ _____ City State Zip Telephone FAX TIIN (Tax ID Number) or SSN (Social Security Number) _____ For Delivery in <u>120 Days after Bid Award</u> BID TOTAL

INSTRUCTIONS – See any attached sheets for additional terms, conditions, and specifications.

- 1) Quotes containing provisions for late or interest charges will not be considered. Removed or strike through any reference to these types of provisions on forms, and to initial the changes prior to submitting a response.
- 2) All responses will be considered F.O.B. Destination. Otherwise, freight charges must be separately stated in the bid for either the exact or a "shall not exceed" amount.
- 3) Each bidder shall place the bid Closing Time, Date, and the bid Number on the outside of the envelope containing the bid or fax coversheet. This information can be found in the upper left corner of this page. Failure to include the information could delay receipt and cause the bid to not be considered for evaluation or award.
- 4) Payment discounts from one (1) percent up to five (5) percent, for payment in no less than thirty (30) days, will be considered for the purposes of evaluation. All discounts will be taken when earned based on either the date of delivery and acceptance of the complete line item or the invoice date, whichever is later. Prices quoted must be based upon payment not sooner than thirty days or the quote may be considered non-responsive.
- 5) Only one bid form may be sent in an envelope. Any alternates offered for consideration are to be listed on the single bid. If you are quoting on more than one bid Number, a separate envelope must be used for each Number.

The following statement must be signed at the time bids are submitted. Failure to sign this statement will render bid invalid.

"I certify that this bid is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same materials, supplies, or equipment, and is in all respect fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand that collusive bidding is a violation of State and Federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid, and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid for the bidder."

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name (typed or printed): _____ Email Address: _____

GENERAL CONDITIONS

PURPOSE

1. The purpose and intention of this invitation to bid issued by the Douglas County Purchasing Department is to afford all suppliers an equal opportunity to bid on all operating supplies, services, equipment, maintenance and repairs that are listed in the accompanying documents.

SPECIFICATIONS

2. Whenever standard Douglas County specifications are specified in any invitation to bid, or request for proposal, all bidders must comply with these specifications. Specifications other than standard specifications are to be considered as setting a standard of quality suitable to permit competition and at the same time protect the integrity of the purchasing process. It is the overall intent of the specifications to insure that the minimum needs of the County are met.

Brand or trade names used herein are intended to establish quality standards, and are not intended to limit or eliminate competition.

The County does reserve the right to specify that particular specifications be strictly adhered to, and brand or trade names not be substituted.

PURCHASING POLICY

3. All bidders are hereby put on notice that, in all purchasing and related activities, the Douglas County Purchasing Department shall pursue a policy of securing the greatest possible economy consistent with grades of quality of supplies and services that are adapted to the purpose for which they are required.

AWARD OF CONTRACT

4. The award of all contracts will be made in conformity with the above purchasing policy. Douglas County reserves the right to award items separately, grouped or on an "all or none" basis and to reject any or all bids and waive all informalities.

PRICING

5. All prices should be quoted in the unit of measure as required and shall be firm until bid is awarded unless otherwise specified.

CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT

6. In any of the following cases the Purchasing Department has the right to cancel any contract entered into under these Purchasing Rules and Regulations;

- a. Breach of Contract;
- b. In the event the contractor fails to furnish a satisfactory performance bond within the time specified, when such bond is required;
- c. Failure of the contractor to make delivery within the time specified in the contract;
- d. In the event any commodity of equipment is rejected for failure to meet specifications, non-conformity with sample or the items are not in good condition when delivered;
- e. Wherever the contractor is guilty of misrepresentation; i.e., misbranding of food or drugs;
- f. Wherever the contract was obtained by fraud, collusion, conspiracy or other unlawful means, or the contract conflicts with any statutory and constitutional provision of the State of Georgia or the United States; or
- g. Wherever Douglas County deems that a cancellation is in the best interest of the County provided that the Vendor be notified of such cancellation prior to production and/or shipment.

PERFORMANCE BONDS

7. Douglas County reserves the right to require a performance bond on all awards over \$1,000.00.

NON PERFORMANCE

8. In the event contractor fails to perform in accordance with the specifications, the contractor will be deemed to be in default. The Purchasing authority shall notify the contractor verbally and in writing of incidence of nonperformance. If the contractor fails to perform in accordance with the contract specifications, within five (5) days after notice, as provided herein, the Purchasing Manager shall take appropriate action including but not limited to contract cancellation, collection proceedings, suspension or disbarment.

SUBSTITUTIONS

9. If bidding other than specified in the bid proposal, state brand, model number and submit illustrations and descriptive literature with bid in order that quality, suitability, and compliance with the specifications may be determined. Failure to do so may cause your bid to be disqualified.

DISCOUNTS

10. Discounts will be considered when making an award.

QUANTITIES

11. Douglas County reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity as necessary at the same prices and terms stated in sellers bid proposal.

DELIVERY

12. All deliveries shall be F.O.B. Douglas County, Georgia. If the vendor fails to make delivery within a satisfactory time, Douglas County reserves the right to cancel the item and to purchase elsewhere charging the re-procurement costs, i.e., increase in price, cost of handling (if any), to the original vendor making the unsatisfactory, late or non-delivery cause for cancellation.

PAYMENT

13. Payments will not be made in advance. Payments will be made after satisfactory delivery and acceptance by Douglas County for goods and/or services based on the actual quantities installed and unit prices submitted on the Bid Form. This supersedes any Payment/Unit Price included in the bid documents and specifications.

BID RESPONSE

14. Bids should be submitted on the forms provided for this purpose and should be filled out with ink or typewritten and signed in ink. Do not erase, correct or white over any prices or figures necessary for the completion of this bid proposal. If any corrections are necessary, each one should be initialed. Failure to comply with these requirements may cause your bid to be disqualified.

CONTRACTUAL SERVICES

15. At the option of Douglas County and acceptance by the contractor this contract may be extended for two (2) additional twelve (12) month periods not to exceed 36 months at the same terms and prices.

INSURANCE

16. For general contracting exposure.

A) INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Contractor shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property that may arise from or in connection with performance of the Work hereunder by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees, or subcontractors.

MINIMUM LIMITS OF INSURANCE

Contractor shall maintain limits no less than:

1. The Contractor and Subcontractors shall secure and maintain during the life of this contract Worker's Compensation Insurance for all of their employees employed at the site of any Douglas County project, at statutory limits. The Employer's Liability shall have limits not less than \$500,000.
2. Comprehensive General Liability Insurance – shall be in limits no less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for aggregate or property damage. Property damage insurance shall be in broad form including complete operations.
3. Automobile liability coverage for owned, non-owned and hired. Such insurance shall be in limits no less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence.
4. Professional liability shall be in limits no less than \$2,000,000 each claim made, and annual aggregate of \$3,000,000

B) OTHER INSURANCE PROVISIONS

1. General Liability, and Automobile Liability insurance

- A. The Owner and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers are to be covered as additional insured's with regards to any liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- B. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the Owner and its officers, officials employees or volunteers.
- C. The Contractor is responsible for insuring its own property and equipment.

2. Workers' Compensation and Employers Liability Coverage. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against Douglas County and its officers, officials, employees and volunteers for losses arising from the work performed by the Contractor for the Owner.

3. All Coverages: Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after ninety (90) days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Owner, Douglas County, Georgia, in care of the Douglas County Purchasing Department.

C) ACCEPTABILITY.

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a Best's rating of no less than A:VIII, or otherwise acceptable to the Owner.

D) VERIFICATION OF COVERAGE.

Contractor shall furnish Douglas County with certificates of insurance and with original endorsements effecting coverage required by this clause. These certificates and endorsements for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. The certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Owner before any work commences. Douglas County further reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

E) SUBCONTRACTORS

Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insured under its insurance or shall ensure that subcontractors have met the insurance requirements of this agreement. Douglas County may request evidence of subcontractor's insurance at any time.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

17. Douglas County Board of Commissioners has approved the utilization of a local county preference to the Douglas County Code of Ordinance. The local preference may be used and allows for a local firm to be awarded the bid when not the lowest bidder, if the lowest bid is within 3% of the local company's bid amount, except for construction services, and road project expected to exceed \$20,000, which will be subject to Georgia State law. If all bidders are local firms, this section does not apply.

INDEMNIFICATION AND GENERAL CONSTRUCTION TERMS

18. The contractor hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold the county and its merit and contract employees, agents and officers free and harmless from any and all loses, claims, liens, demands and causes of action of every kind and character including, but not limited to, the amounts of judgments, penalties, interests, court costs, legal fees and all other expenses incurred by the county arising in favor of any party.

Contractor agrees to investigate, handle, respond to, provide defense for and defend any such claims, demand or suit at the sole expense of the contractor. Contractor also agrees to bear all other costs and expenses related, thereto, even if the claim or claims alleged are groundless, false or fraudulent. This provision is not intended to create any cause of action in favor of any third party against contractor or the county or to enlarge in any way the contractor's liability but is intended solely to provide indemnification of the county from liability for property damage, property loss, personal injury, bodily injury or death to the contractors, the contractor's employees or any third persons or property arising from the contractor's performance hereunder.

The contractor agrees to keep informed and comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, policies, regulations, ordinances and codes, but not limited to, the contractor's duty to provide a safe work environment and road conditions for the contractor's employees, subcontractors, county employees and third parties. This provision confers all safety responsibility, to include but not limited to, knowledge of the latest edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), Standard Highway Signs (SHS), Utility Accommodation Policy and Standards Manual, safety management, human resource management, and traffic management as it relates to all methods and forms of employee hiring and retention, safety signage, fall prevention, warning devices, safety barricades, safety fencing, work zone flaggers, scaffolding, motorist and pedestrian road and sidewalk detour direction and all other regulated safety requirements for the duration of The Work as is necessary to provide for the health and safety of the Contractor's employees, subcontractors, county employees, pedestrians, motorists and all third parties. Where and when applicable, warning devices shall be placed prior to the commencement of any road improvement work on any roads and shall remain in place until the conclusion of all Work.

GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION ACT OF 2006

19. As of July 1, 2007, all contracts with Douglas County must have a certification from the Contractor that they comply with the Georgia Security and Immigration Act of 2006. This requires all those individuals, firms, contractors, consultants, etc., contracting with the County to execute the Contractor Affidavit and Agreement. If subcontractors are engaged, they are required to execute the Subcontractor Affidavit. These affidavits are available to download from the Douglas County Purchasing Department website, located at www.celebratedouglascounty.com, or may be attached for your convenience in compliance with this requirement.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

20. The jurisdiction and venue of any dispute arising out of this agreement shall lie with in the Superior Court of Douglas County, Georgia, and the governing law shall be the law of the state of Georgia.