

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
PURCHASING DIVISION
400 WASHINGTON AVENUE, ROOM 148
TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-4665**



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. P-164

AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TURNER STATION

Due Date: 7/26/16, Time: 3:00 PM

Pre-Bid Conference: 7/12/16, Time: 10:00 AM

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Amendments to solicitations often occur prior to bid opening and sometimes within as little as 48 hours prior to bid opening. It is the potential vendor's responsibility to frequently visit the Purchasing web site (www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing) to obtain amendments once they have downloaded a solicitation.

BIDDER CHECK LIST

- Have you signed your bid?
- Have you signed the Procurement Affidavit?
- Have you filled out all applicable forms?
- Have you returned the original? (and required duplicate copies when required?)
- Have you signed and returned amendments?
- Have you included the bid bond, if required?
- Have you completed, signed and included all required MBE/WBE forms and documents? (if applicable)
- Have you included and verified the complete electronic version (CD) of your bid?

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General Instructions for Solicitations

1. Instructions, Forms and Specifications

1.1 All bids/proposals are to be submitted on and in accordance with the forms provided by the Purchasing Division. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or carton as appropriate. All bids must be clearly identified on the front of the envelope or top of the carton with the SOLICITATION NUMBER and the DUE DATE and TIME. Bid times are either Eastern Standard Time or Eastern Daylight Time, whichever prevails. Late bids will not be considered.

1.2 Responses to Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals shall be accompanied by an executed Procurement Affidavit, as provided by the Purchasing Division. This does not apply to Requests for Quotations.

1.3 Amendments to solicitations often occur prior to bid opening and sometimes within hours prior to bid opening. All bidders are responsible for frequently visiting the Purchasing web site to obtain amendments once they have downloaded a solicitation.

1.4 Additional information or clarification of any of the instructions or information contained herein may be obtained from the Purchasing Division. The County assumes no responsibility for oral instructions or suggestions. All official correspondence in regard to this solicitation must be directed to, and will be issued by, the Purchasing Division.

1.5 Bidders finding any discrepancy in or omission from the specifications, in doubt as to meaning, or asserting that the specifications are discriminatory, shall notify the Purchasing Division in writing at once, but in no case later than five (5) business days prior to the scheduled opening of bids. Exceptions stated do not obligate the County to change the specifications. The Purchasing Division will notify all bidders in writing, by amendment duly issued, of any substantive revisions to specifications or instructions.

1.6 Unless a written exception detailing non-conformance to specifications is noted on the bid, any part number, product number, catalog number, etc., noted on the bid will be considered in full compliance with the specifications.

1.7 Submission of a bid in response to this solicitation evidences the bidder's acceptance of these General Instructions and the terms and conditions of the solicitation. Submission of a bid evidences bidder's representation and warranty that the person submitting the bid response is authorized to act for and bind the contractor.

1.8 All original and duplicate bids/proposals and other attachments, related documents and correspondence, including all follow-up documents and correspondence, shall be typed or written in English. All prices/percentages and/or other monetary figures shall be in United States dollars.

1.9 Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals should be accompanied by an electronic version (Compact Disc) of the bid proposal in PDF format. It shall be the bidder's responsibility to verify that the electronic version is complete. The electronic version of the non-successful proposal response will be the only version retained by Baltimore County. The Compact Disc must be labeled with the bid number, the bid title, and the bidder's name submitting the response. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or carton as appropriate. This does not apply to Requests for Quotation.

1.10 Issuing Officer: The sole point of contact for the County for purposes of this solicitation is the Buyer, listed on the cover page; questions regarding any aspect of the competitive process must be directed to the Buyer, in writing.

2. Award of Solicitations

2.1 Any award pursuant to Requests for Quotation and Requests for Bid is made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder following the public opening of bids under Section 10-2-406 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended.

2.2 Awards on Requests for Quotations and Requests for Bid will be made within sixty (60) days after bid opening unless otherwise indicated in this solicitation. No bidder will be allowed to withdraw a bid during that period.

2.3 The successful bidder may be required to give security or bond, as stated in the bid document, for performance of the contract.

2.4 When there is a conflict between the unit price or percentage and the extension, the unit price or percentage will prevail as the amount of the bid.

2.5 Cash discounts will be considered in determining awards. However, cash discount offers must allow not less than 30 days to be considered in bid evaluation. A bid offering a cash discount in a period of less than 30 days will be evaluated as a bid without a discount offer; however, should that bidder obtain award by consideration of the gross price, the County shall make every effort to obtain the discount. The County will not accept any payment terms with a period of less than 30 days.

2.6 Invoices against resulting order(s) must be submitted, in duplicate, to the Office of Budget and Finance, Disbursements Section, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, Maryland 21204-4665. Invoices must show the vendor's Federal Tax Identification Number or Social Security Number, as appropriate, and order number and line number(s) that correspond with resulting order(s).

2.7 The County will not pay interest charges or other penalties for invoice payments.

2.8 Prices quoted shall be exclusive of all non-applicable Federal and Maryland State taxes. Tax exemption certificate will be furnished if required.

2.9 The County reserves the right to consider making payments via electronic funds transfers (EFT) on contracts for which this payment vehicle may be appropriate.

3. Reservations

3.1 The County reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, any and all bids received, and to make a whole award, multiple awards, a partial award, or no award, to best serve the public interest.

3.2 The County may waive formalities in bids as the interests of the County may require.

3.3 The County reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities by approximately twenty (20) percent to be purchased at the prices bid.

3.4 The County reserves the right to award solicitations or place orders on a lump sum or individual item basis, or in such combination as to best serve the public interest.

3.5 The County may waive minor differences, irregularities, and technicalities in the specifications, provided they neither violate the specifications intent, materially affect the operation for which the items or services are being purchased, nor increase estimated maintenance and repair costs to the County.

3.6 At any time during normal business hours and as often as the County may deem necessary, the Contractor shall make available to and permit inspection and photocopying, by the County, its employees or agents, of all records, information and documentation of the Contractor related to the subject matter of this contract, including, but not limited to, all contracts, invoices, payroll, and financial audits.

3.7 Notwithstanding any other terms or provisions of the contract, in the event the County is temporarily or permanently prevented, restricted or delayed in the

performance of any or all of the duties and obligations imposed upon or assumed by it thereunder, by act of the General Assembly of Maryland or the Baltimore County Council, by a court of competent jurisdiction or by administrative delay not due to the fault of the County (and its members and agents) shall not be liable directly or indirectly for any claims caused to or suffered by the Contractor or any other person in connection with or as a result of such prevention, restriction or delay.

3.8 The County further reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of bidders to furnish the required services, and bidders shall furnish all such information for this purpose as the County may request. The County also reserves the right to reject the proposal of any bidder who is not currently in a position to perform the contract, or who has previously failed to perform similar contracts properly, or in a manner acceptable to the County, all of which shall be in the County's sole discretion.

4. Delivery

4.1 Bidders shall guarantee delivery of materials in accordance with the delivery schedule stated in specifications. All items shall be delivered F.O.B. Destination/Inside Delivery, unless otherwise indicated, with delivery costs and charges included in the bid price.

4.2 The County reserves the right to charge the Contractor or vendor for each day the materials, supplies, or services are not delivered in accordance with the delivery schedule. The sum established by the specifications may be invoked at the discretion of the Purchasing Agent, said sum to be considered not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages, and deducted from final payment, or otherwise, charged to the Contractor or vendor. This remedy is not exclusive but shall be in addition to all other rights and remedies available to the County. These liquidated damages shall be in addition to any and all actual damages incurred directly or indirectly by the County, its agents, assigns, and contractors.

4.3 All bidders and vendors are to ensure that packaging materials used for this requirement are not made of non-recyclable Styrofoam (Polystyrene). Additionally, any materials used in packing to cushion, protect and ship are to be made of recycled, recyclable or biodegradable materials.

5. Competition

5.1 The name of any manufacturer, trade name, or vendor catalog number mentioned in the

specifications is for the purpose of designating a standard of quality and type, and for no other purpose unless otherwise stated in the solicitation.

5.2 A bidder may offer a price on only one unit per line item. Even though two or more units may meet the specification, bidders must determine for themselves which to offer. Submission by a bidder of prices for more than one unit shall be sufficient cause for rejection of the bid for that specific item.

5.3 Bids which show omission, irregularity, alteration of forms or additions not called for, as well as conditional or unconditional unresponsive bids, or bids obviously unbalanced, may be rejected.

5.4 All bids must be accompanied by such descriptive literature as may be called for by the specifications or proposal.

5.5 If products to be provided to the County contain any substances that could be hazardous or injurious to a person's health, a material safety data sheet (MSDS) must be provided to the Purchasing Division. This applies also to any product used by a Contractor when providing a service to the County.

5.6 Specifications are based on County needs and uses, estimated costs of operations and maintenance, and other significant and/or limiting factors to meet County requirements, and to ensure consistency with County policies. Minimum specifications, and maximum specifications where included, are not established arbitrarily to limit competition or to exclude otherwise competitive bidders.

5.7 Unless multiple or alternate bids are requested in the solicitation, these bids may not be accepted. However, if a bidder clearly indicates a base bid, it shall be considered for award as though it were the only bid submitted by the bidder.

6. Terminations

6.1 Termination for Convenience: The County may terminate a contract, in whole or in part, without cause, by providing written notice thereof to the Contractor. In the event of termination, without cause, the County shall advise the Contractor in writing of the termination date and of work to be performed during the final days prior to contract termination. The Contractor shall be paid for all reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor up to the date of termination set forth in the written notice of termination. The Contractor will not be reimbursed for any anticipatory profits, which have not been earned up to the date of termination. Payments to be provided on a lump sum basis shall be prorated by the County based on the

services rendered or goods delivered up to the date of termination set forth in the written notice.

6.2 Termination for Default:

6.2.1 In addition to other available rights and remedies, the County shall have the right upon the happening of any default, without providing notice to the Contractor: 1) To terminate a contract immediately, in whole or in part; 2) To suspend the contractor's authority to receive any undisbursed funds; and/or 3) To proceed at any time or from time to time to protect and enforce all rights and remedies available to the County, by suit or any other appropriate proceedings, whether for specific performance or any covenant, term or condition set forth in the contract, or for damages or other relief, or proceed to take any action authorized or permitted under applicable law or regulations.

6.2.2 Upon termination of a contract for default, the County may elect to pay the Contractor for services provided or goods delivered up to the date of termination, less the amount of damages caused by the default, all as determined by the County in its sole discretion. If the damages exceed the undisbursed sums available for compensation, the County shall not be obligated to make any further disbursements hereunder.

6.3 Funding Out: If funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support contract continuation in any fiscal year, the County shall have the right to terminate the contract without prior notice to the Contractor and without any obligation or penalty.

7. Hold Harmless – Indemnification

7.1 The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and officials from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or demands including attorney's fees and court costs which may be incurred or made against the County, its employees, agents or officials resulting from any act or omission committed in the performance of the duties imposed by and performed under the terms of the contract. The Contractor shall not be responsible for acts of gross negligence or willful misconduct committed by the County.

7.2 The Contractor shall also defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and officials from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, or demands including attorney's fees and court costs which may be made against the County, its employees, agents or officials by any third party arising from the alleged violation of any third party's trade secrets, proprietary information, trademark,

copyright, patent rights, or intellectual property rights in connection with the contract.

7.3 Unless notified in writing by the County to the contrary, the Contractor shall provide defense for the County, its employees, agents and officials in accordance with this Article and in doing so the Contractor shall allow the County to participate in said defense of the County, its employees, agents and officials, to the extent and as may be required by the County and the Contractor shall cooperate with the County in all aspects in connection therewith. All filings, actions, settlements, and pleadings shall be provided to the County for comment and review prior to filing or entering thereof. No filing, action, settlement or pleading shall be filed or entered without the prior consent and approval of the County.

8. Minority/Women's Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) and Small Business Notice: Baltimore County is seeking Minority, Woman and Small Businesses to bid on current solicitations as a prime or sub contractor. In accordance with the Executive Order dated June 4, 2009, "an overall goal of 15% of the cumulative total of all discretionary dollars spent in a fiscal year of County procurements is to be awarded to and/or performed by MBE and WBE firms." MBE/WBE's and Small Businesses are encouraged to respond to this solicitation.

9. Authority

9.1 In case of disputes as to whether an item or service quoted or delivered meets specifications, the decision of the Purchasing Agent or authorized representative shall be final and binding on both parties. The Purchasing Agent may request the recommendation in writing of the head of the using agency, the Standards and Specifications Committee, or other objective sources.

9.2 Bidders desiring to appeal a decision of the Purchasing Division must deliver written protests to the Purchasing Division within 10 days of notification of award. The Purchasing Agent or designee will review the protested decision, examine any additional information provided by the bidder and respond in writing within 10 working days of receipt of written protests.

9.3 Instructions, Specifications, and Proposals are issued, and all bids, quotations, orders, and purchases are made pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Baltimore County Charter, and Article 10, Title 2 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended, and regulations and policies established or prescribed by the Purchasing Division.

10. HIPAA: The Contractor shall comply with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and shall execute a Business Associate Agreement as may be required by the County.

11. Reports: When required, reports prepared for Baltimore County should be printed on recycled and recyclable paper printed on both sides per Section 10-2-312 of the Baltimore County Code, 2003, as amended.

12. Terms of Contract

12.1 Any contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation shall be by and between the successful bidder and the County, and shall contain and incorporate, but may not be limited to, all terms and conditions of the solicitation, any amendments or changes thereto. Submission of a bid in response to this solicitation evidences the Contractor's acceptance of the terms and conditions therein.

12.2 The provisions of the contract awarded pursuant to this solicitation shall be governed by the laws and regulations of Maryland and Baltimore County.

12.3 Any litigation arising out of or relating in any way to the contract or the performance thereunder shall be brought only in the courts of Maryland, and the Contractor hereby irrevocably consents to such jurisdiction. To the extent that the County is a party to any litigation arising out of or relating in any way to the contract or the performance thereunder, such an action shall be brought only in a court of competent jurisdiction in the courts of the State of Maryland.

13. Severability: If any provisions in the contract are declared by a court or other lawful authority to be unenforceable or invalid for any reason the remaining provisions hereof shall not be affected thereby and shall remain enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

14. Counterparts: The contract may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

15. Survival: The provisions of paragraphs 1.7 (Representations and Warranties), 4.2 (Damages), 7 (Indemnification), and 10 (HIPAA) shall survive delivery of commodities and/or performance of services.

16. No Waiver, Etc.: No failure or delay by the County to insist upon the strict performance of any term, condition or covenant of the contract, or to exercise any right, power, or remedy consequent upon

a breach thereof, shall constitute a waiver of any such term, condition, or covenant or of any such breach, or preclude the County from exercising any such right, power, or remedy at any later time or times.

17. Maryland Registration / Qualification Requirements:

17.1 Baltimore County verifies the company's status with SDAT and may require the successful bidder to submit a Good Standing Certificate (also known as a "Certificate of Status") issued by the Maryland Department of Assessment and Taxation's ("SDAT") Charter Division, and the State of Organization.

17.2 For information on registering to do business in the State of Maryland call SDAT at (410) 767-1340 or email at charterhelp@dat.state.md.us. Sole Proprietors and General Partnerships should call (410) 767-4991. You may download the SDAT forms at <http://www.dat.state.md.us/sdatweb/sdatforms.html>

17.3 Baltimore County requires the successful bidder to be in "good standing" (also known as Certificate of Status) with the State in which it is organized, and in the State of Maryland, under certain circumstances. Baltimore County verifies the successful bidder's status with SDAT. Non-compliance to this section may result in a delay in contract award or rejection of a bid.

18. Eligibility of Candidates for Employment:

18.1 The E-Verify program is an internet-based employment verification system that allows employers to verify employee status against Federal Social Security and immigration databases.

18.2 Baltimore County encourages employers to utilize the E-verify program, or an equivalent system, as a means to help employers determine the eligibility of new hires.

19. Warranty:

19.1. Contractor warrants for one year from acceptance, or for such longer period otherwise expressly stated in the attached solicitation, all goods, services, and construction provided. This includes a warranty against any and all defects. The contractor must correct any and all defects in material and/or workmanship that may appear during the warranty period, even if discovered after the end of the warranty period, by repairing any such defect, (or replacing with new items or new materials, if necessary), at no cost to the County and to the County's satisfaction.

19.2. Should a manufacturer's or service provider's warranty exceed the requirements stated above, that warranty will be the primary one used in the case of defect. Copies of manufacturer's or service provider's warranties must be provided upon request.

19.3. All warranties must be in effect from the date of acceptance by the County of the goods, services, or construction.

19.4. The contractor warrants that all work shall be accomplished in a workmanlike manner, and the contractor must observe and comply with all Federal, State, County and local laws, ordinances and regulations in providing the goods, and performing the services or construction.

20. American Manufactured Goods Required for Public Works:

20.1 The Contractor shall comply with Section 14-416 of the Maryland State Finance and Procurement Article which requires a contractor or subcontractor to use or supply American Manufactured goods in the performance of a contract for (a) constructing or maintaining a public work; or (b) buying or manufacturing machinery or equipment that is to be installed at a public work site, as the same may be amended from time to time.

20.2 This section does not apply: (a) if Baltimore County determines that: (i) the price of the American manufactured goods exceeds the price of a similar manufactured good that is not manufactured in the United States by an unreasonable amount; (ii) the item or a similar item is not manufactured or available for purchase in the United States in reasonably available quantities; (iii) the quality of the item or a similar item manufactured in the United States is substantially less than the quality of a comparably priced, similar, and available item that is not manufactured in the United States; or (iv) the procurement of a manufactured good would be inconsistent with the public interest; or (b) to emergency life safety and property safety goods.

20.3 The Contractor shall certify to Baltimore County whether the offered goods and/or services are provided in the United States.

21. Requests for Proposals: In addition to aforementioned instructions, the following apply to Requests for Proposals (RFP).

19.1 All RFP proposals submitted shall be valid for 180 days following the closing date noted, unless otherwise specified in the bid documents. This period may be extended by mutual written agreement between offerors and the County. Proposals may not be withdrawn during this period.

21.2 Modifications: The County may, at any time by written order, make changes within the general scope of a contract including, but not limited to, changes (1) in any designs or specifications; (2) in the method, quantity, or manner of performance of the work; (3) in any County-furnished facilities, equipment, materials, services, or property; or (4) directing acceleration in

the performance of the work. No change, modification or revision shall be binding upon the County, unless made in writing by its authorized representatives.

21.3 Subcontracting and Assignment: All subcontracting arrangements require prior approval of the County. The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, delegate, subcontract, or otherwise dispose of any award of any or all of its rights, title, or interest therein, without the prior written consent of the County, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

21.4 *Additional Reservations for RFP's*

21.4.1 This RFP creates no obligation on the part of the County to compensate offerors for proposal preparation expenses. The County reserves the right to award a contract based upon proposals received without further negotiation and may do so; offerors should not rely upon the opportunity to alter their proposals during discussions.

21.4.2 The County reserves the right to waive minor irregularities, to negotiate in any manner necessary to best serve the public interest, and to make a whole award, multiple awards, a partial award, or no award. The County reserves the right to cancel this RFP, in whole or in part, any time before the closing date.

21.5 Confidentiality: Offerors must specifically identify any portions of their proposals deemed to contain confidential information, proprietary information or trade secrets. Those portions must be readily separable from the balance of the proposal. Such designations will not be conclusive, and offerors may be required to justify why such material should not, upon written request, be disclosed by the County under the Public Information Act, General Provisions Article, Title 4, of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended. The County may disclose such information if required by law, court order or subpoena.

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
PROCUREMENT AFFIDAVIT**

A. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I HEREBY AFFIRM THAT:

I am the [title] _____ and I am duly authorized to represent and bind [business name] _____ (the "Business") and that I possess the legal authority to make this Affidavit on behalf of myself and the Business for which I am acting.

B. AFFIRMATION REGARDING BRIBERY CONVICTIONS

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies (as is defined in Section 16-101(f) of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland), has been convicted of, or has had probation before judgment imposed pursuant to Article 27, Section 6-225 of the Criminal Procedure Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, or has pleaded nolo contendere to a charge of, bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe in violation of Maryland law, or of the law of any other state or federal law, except as follows [indicate the reasons why the affirmation cannot be given and list any conviction, plea, or imposition of probation before judgment with the date, court, official or administrative body, the sentence or disposition, the name(s) of person(s) involved, and their current positions and responsibilities with the Business]:

C. AFFIRMATION REGARDING OTHER CONVICTIONS

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies, has:

- (1) Been convicted under state or federal statute of a criminal offense incident to obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public or private contract, fraud, embezzlement, theft, forgery, falsification or destruction of records, or receiving stolen property;
- (2) Been convicted of any criminal violation of a state or federal antitrust statute;
- (3) Been convicted under the provisions of Title 18 of the United States Code for violation of the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organization Act, 18 U.S.C. §1961, et seq., or the Mail Fraud Act, 18 U.S.C. §1341, et seq., for acts arising out of the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract;
- (4) Been convicted of a violation of the State Minority Business Enterprise Law, Section 14-308 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland;
- (5) Been convicted of conspiracy to commit any act or omission that would constitute grounds for conviction or liability under any law or statute described in subsection (1), (2), (3), or (4) above;
- (6) Been found civilly liable under a state or federal antitrust statute for acts or omissions in connection with the submission of bids or proposals for a public or private contract;
- (7) Admitted in writing or under oath, during the course of an official investigation or other proceedings, acts or omissions that would constitute grounds for conviction or liability under any law or statute described above, except as follows [indicate reasons why the affirmations cannot be given, and list any conviction, plea, or imposition

of probation before judgment with the date, court, official or administrative body, the sentence or disposition, the name(s) of the person(s) involved and their current positions and responsibilities with the Business, and the status of any debarment]:

D. AFFIRMATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its officers, directors, partners, members, affiliates, or any of its employees directly involved in obtaining or performing contracts with public bodies, has ever been suspended or debarred (including being issued a limited denial of participation) by any public entity, except as follows [list each debarment or suspension providing the dates of the suspension or debarment, the name of the public entity and the status of the proceeding, the name(s) of the person(s) involved and their current positions and responsibilities with the Business, the grounds of the debarment or suspension, and the details of each person's involvement in any activity that formed the grounds of the debarment or suspension]:

E. AFFIRMATION REGARDING DEBARMENT OF RELATED ENTITIES

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

(1) The Business was not established and it does not operate in a manner designed to evade the application of or defeat the purpose of debarment pursuant to Sections 16-101, et seq., of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland; and

(2) The Business is not a successor, assignee, subsidiary, or affiliate of a suspended or debarred business, except as follows: [you must indicate the reasons why the affirmations cannot be given without qualification]:

F. SUB-CONTRACT AFFIRMATION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, has knowingly entered into a contract with a public body under which a person debarred or suspended under Title 16 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland will provide, directly or indirectly, supplies, services, architectural services, construction related services, leases of real property, or construction.

G. AFFIRMATION REGARDING COLLUSION

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

Neither I, nor to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the Business, nor any of its employees, have in any way:

(1) Agreed, conspired, connived, or colluded to produce a deceptive show of competition in the compilation of the accompanying bid or offer that is being submitted;

(2) In any manner, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement of any kind to fix the bid price or price proposal of the bidder or offeror or of any competitor, or otherwise take any action to impact, restrain, or inhibit free competitive bidding in connection with the contract for which the accompanying bid or offer is submitted;

(3) Colluded with anyone to obtain information concerning the bid that would give the Business an unfair advantage over others.

H. AFFIRMATION REGARDING POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

The Contractor affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Sections 14-101 through 14-108 of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which require that every person who makes, during any 12-month period, one or more contracts, with one or more Maryland governmental entities involving cumulative consideration, or at least \$100,000.00, shall file with the State Board of Elections certain specified information to include disclosure of attributable political contributions in excess of \$500 during defined reporting periods.

I. CERTIFICATION OF REGISTRATION AND TAX PAYMENT

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

(1) The business was formed in the State of *(Insert State Name)*: _____

(2) The Business is a *(please select one)*:

- Corporation
- Partnership
- Limited Liability Company
- Limited Liability Partnership
- Sole Proprietor
- Other: _____

(If sole proprietor #3 below does not apply, continue to #4.)

(3) Is this business registered with the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation (“SDAT”) in accordance with the Corporations and Associations Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland?

Yes No

a. If yes, is the business in good standing in the State of Maryland, and has it filed all of its annual reports, together with filing fees? Yes No

b. Registered Agent as shown in SDAT:

Name: _____

Address: _____

c. If not, is the business in good standing in the formed in State of origination? Yes No

(4) Except as validly contested, has the -Business -paid, or -arranged for payment of, all taxes due the State of Maryland and Baltimore County, and -filed all required returns and reports with the Comptroller of the Treasury, the State Department of Assessments and Taxation, and the Employment Security Administration, as applicable, and -paid all withholding taxes due the State of Maryland prior to final settlement?

Yes No

J. CONTINGENT FEES

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

The Business has not employed or retained any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent working for the Business, to solicit or secure the Contract, and that the Business has not paid or agreed to pay any person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, other than a bona fide employee or agent, any fee or other consideration contingent on the making of the Contract.

K. AFFIRMATION OF NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

During the performance of any contract awarded pursuant to the solicitation of which this affidavit is a part:

(1) The Business will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test. The Business will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of genetic test. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, promotion, upgrading, demotion or transfer, rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Business agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the owner setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The Business will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Business, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test.

(3) The Business shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which the Business has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the owner, advising the said labor union or workers' representative of these commitments, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(4) The Business shall furnish, if requested by the County, a compliance report concerning our employment practices and policies in order for the County to ascertain compliance with the special provisions of this affidavit concerning nondiscrimination in employment.

(5) In the event of the Business's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clause of this affidavit, the contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part, and the Business may be declared ineligible for further County work.

(6) The Business shall include the special provisions outlined herein pertaining to nondiscrimination in employment in every subcontract, so that such nondiscrimination in employment provisions shall be binding on each subcontractor or vendor.

L. FOREIGN CONTRACTS DISCLOSURES

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

(1) The Business affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Sections 10-2-110 Article 10. Finance, Title 2 – Purchasing, Baltimore County Code 2003, as amended, which requires that prior to the award of a contract for services under the provisions of this title, and during the entire term of a contract award, the bidder or vendor shall disclose to the County whether any services covered by the bid or contract, including any subcontracted services, will be performed outside the United States.

(2) The Business affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Section 12-111 of the Maryland State Finance Procurement Article, which requires bidders to make certain disclosures relating to subcontractors or services, regarding plans at the time the bid is submitted, to perform any services with an estimated value of \$2 million or more under the contract outside the United States. This provision applies to: (1) construction-related services; (2) architectural services; (3) engineering services; or (4) energy performance contract services. The provision requires bidders to disclose:

- a. Whether the Business or any contractor that the Business will subcontract with to perform the contract has plans, at the time the bid is submitted, to perform any services required under the contract outside the United States; and
- b. If the services under the contract are anticipated to be performed outside the United States;
- c. Where the services will be performed; and
- d. The reasons why it is necessary or advantageous to perform the services outside the United States.

(3) Indicate below whether or not the Business has information to disclose. (**You must check one of these**)

- [] The Business has no plans, at the time the bid is submitted, to perform any services under the contract outside the United States.
- [] The Business has plans, at the time the bid is submitted, to perform services under the contract outside the United States.
 - i. The services will be performed in the following location: _____
 - ii. It is necessary or advantageous to perform the services outside the United States for the following reason(s): _____

M. AFFIRMATION REGARDING INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

I FURTHER AFFIRM THAT:

At the time the bid/proposal is submitted, or if the contract is renewed, the Business:

- i. Is not identified on the list created by the Maryland State Board of Public Works as a person, Business or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran as described in Section 17-702 of the Maryland State Finance and Procurement Article ; or
- ii. Is not engaging in investment activities in Iran as described in Section 17-702 of the Maryland State Finance and Procurement Article.

If the Business is unable to make the certification, it will provide the County, under penalty of perjury, a detailed description of the Business' investment activities in Iran.

N. ACKNOWLEDGMENT

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT this Affidavit is to be furnished to the County and may be distributed to units of (1) Baltimore County; (2) the State of Maryland; (3) other counties or political subdivisions of the State of Maryland; (4) other states; and (5) the federal government. I further acknowledge that this Affidavit is subject to applicable laws of the United States and the State of Maryland, both criminal and civil, and that nothing in this Affidavit or any contract resulting from the submission of this bid or proposal shall be construed to supersede, amend, modify or waive, on behalf of Baltimore County, or the State of Maryland or any unit of the State of Maryland having jurisdiction, the exercise of any right or remedy at Law or in equity with respect to any misrepresentation made or any violation of the obligations, terms and covenants undertaken by the Business with respect to (a) this Affidavit, (b) the contract, and (3) other Affidavits comprising part of the contract.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF, AFTER DILIGENT INQUIRY.

Date: _____

By: _____

Name:
 Title:
 (Authorized Representative and Affiant)

**“PRIME” CONTRACTOR
MINORITY INFORMATION**

This form is **NOT** applicable to Sub-Contractor requirements, and should be completed by the **PRIME Contractor ONLY**.

A. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

I am the [title] _____ of [business] _____
_____ (the “Business”).

B. DEFINITIONS

I am aware that, pursuant to the June 4, 2009 Executive Order of Baltimore County, Maryland, the following words have the meanings indicated.

(A) “Minority Business Enterprise” or “MBE” means a business enterprise that is owned, operated and controlled by one or more minority group members (African American, Hispanic American, Asian American, or Native American) who have at least 51% ownership and in which the minority group members have operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

(B) “Women’s Business Enterprise” or “WBE” means a business enterprise that is owned, operated and controlled by one or more women who have at least 51% ownership and in which the women have operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percentage of ownership.

C. INFORMATION REGARDING MINORITY STATUS

The Business is a certified MBE ___ or WBE ___

Maryland State Department of Transportation (MDOT) # _____

City of Baltimore # _____

Name Other Jurisdiction: _____ # _____

The Business is not a certified MBE/WBE, however, the ownership of the Business consists of _____% minorities and _____% women (for a total of _____%), each of which has operational and managerial control, interest in capital and earnings commensurate with their percent of ownership. Please select the ethnic group of the owner(s) regardless of MBE/WBE certification:

____ African American ____ Hispanic American ____ Caucasian
____ Asian American ____ Native American ____ Other

_____ The Business anticipates utilizing subcontractors for _____% of the work of the contract requirements.

_____ The Business anticipates utilizing MBE/WBE subcontractors for _____% of the work of the contract requirements. (Complete attached MBE/WBE forms)

Date: _____

By: _____

Name:
Title:
(Authorized Representative)

Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) and Certification
(Substitute for IRS Form W-9)
COMPLETE BOTH SIDES OF FORM

Baltimore County, Maryland
 Office of Budget and Finance
 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148
 Towson, Maryland 21204

Certification of TIN and business name are required for all successful bidders prior to issuing a contract or purchase order. Completion of **SIDE 1** of this form is necessary to meet IRS regulations. All MBE/WBE vendors should also complete **SIDE 2**. For questions, call 410-887-3587.

SIDE 1

List your legal business name below, as shown on your income tax return . Sole proprietors should list their individual name as noted on your social security card. You may enter a business name on line 2. Other entities must list your business name as shown on Federal tax documents. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the business name line (2). For limited liability companies (LLC) that are owned by an individual, the owner's name must be listed in the Name line (1) and the business name can be listed on the business name line (2). For limited liability companies that are corporations, partnerships, etc., enter the business name on Name line (1).		
1. Name (as shown on your income tax return)		
2. Business name, if different from above		
Address		
City	State	ZIP Code
Remittance Address, if different from above		
City	State	ZIP Code
Contact Person	Title	
Phone Number () - Ext:	Fax Number () -	
E-mail address		
Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)		
Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). Note, this is the TIN shown on your federal tax documents.	Social Security Number [][][] - [][][] - [][][][][] OR Employer Identification Number [][][] - [][][][][][][][][]	
IF YOU ARE EXEMPT FROM BACK-UP WITHHOLDING		
IF YOU ARE TAX-EXEMPT, EXPLAIN:		
Filing Status (Ownership) (LLC is not acceptable)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietor	
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: (explain)		
CERTIFICATION:		
Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:		
1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and 2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and 3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).		
Signature of U.S. Person		Date

SIDE 2

MBE / WBE Certification	
<p>Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)</p> <p>Certification #: _____</p> <p>Certification Date: _____ / _____ / _____</p> <p>Pending: _____</p>	<p>City of Baltimore</p> <p>Certification #: _____</p> <p>Certification Date: _____ / _____ / _____</p> <p>Pending: _____</p>

Business Ownership (Check Only One)					
	G	Government Entity		O	Other: _____
	H	Disabled		P	Non Profit
	MA	Minority-owned, Not small business		W	Woman-owned, Small business
	M	Minority-owned, Small business		WA	Woman-owned, Not small business
	NS	Non-minority-owned, small business		X	Woman-owned, Minority, Small business
	NL	Non-minority-owned, Large business		XA	Woman-owned, Minority, Not small business

Type of Business/Organization			
	Association		Attorney
	Government Entity		Educational Institution
	Medical Service Provider		Non-profit Organization
	Other: (explain)		Financial Institution

Ethnicity of Ownership (Check Only One)					
	A	Asian American		I	American Indian/Alaskan Native
	B	African American		N	Non-minority
	H	Hispanic American		O	Other Ethnic Group: _____

Incorporation
<p>Incorporation State: _____ OR Date Business Started _____ / _____ / _____</p>

Signature		
<p>I certify that the information shown on this registration is true and correct. I will advise the Purchasing Division immediately, in writing, of any change affecting this data.</p>		
Signature: _____	Title: _____	Date: _____



BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
INSURANCE PROVISIONS

1. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1.1 Coverages Required:

Unless otherwise required by the specifications or the contract, the Contractor/Vendor shall purchase and maintain the insurance coverages listed herein.

Insurance Companies must be acceptable to Baltimore County and have an A.M. Best Rating of A-, Class X or better.

1.2 Verification of Insurance:

Before starting work on the contract or prior to the execution of the Contract on those bid, the Contractor/Vendor shall provide Baltimore County, Maryland with verification of insurance coverage evidencing the required coverages.

1.3 Baltimore County as Additional Insured:

The coverage required, excluding Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability and Medical Malpractice Liability/Professional Liability/Errors and Omissions Liability, must include Baltimore County, Maryland as an additional insured.

1.4 Contractor's/Vendor's Responsibility:

The providing of any insurance herein does not relieve the Contractor/Vendor of any of the responsibilities or obligations the Contractor/Vendor has assumed in the contract or for which the Contractor/Vendor may be liable by law or otherwise.

1.5 Failure to Provide Insurance:

Failure to provide and continue in force the required insurance shall be deemed a material breach of the contract.

2. INSURANCE COVERAGES

2.1 General Liability Insurance

2.1.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage:

Personal Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability Combined Single Limit - \$500,000 each occurrence

2.1.2 Such insurance shall protect the Contractor/Vendor from claims which may arise out of, or result from, the Contractor's/Vendor's operations under the contract, whether such operations be by the Contractor/Vendor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Contractor/Vendor or Subcontractor, or anyone for whose acts any of the above may be liable.

2.1.3 Minimum Coverages to be Included:

- (a) Independent Contractor's coverage;
(b) Completed Operations and Products Liability coverage; and
(c) Contractual Liability coverage.

2.1.4 Damages not to be Excluded:

Such insurance shall contain no exclusions applying to operations by the Contractor/Vendor or any Subcontractor in the performance of the Contract including but not limited to: (a) Collapse of, or structural injury to, any building or structure; (b) Damage to underground property; or (c) Damage arising out of blasting or explosion.

2.2 Automobile Liability Insurance

2.2.1 Minimum Limits of Coverage:

Bodily Injury Liability and Property Damage Liability
Combined Single Limit - \$500,000 any one accident

2.2.2 Minimum Coverages to be Included:

Such insurance shall provide coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired automobiles.

2.3 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance

Such insurance must contain statutory coverage, including:

Employers' Liability insurance with limits of at least:

- Bodily Injury by Accident - \$500,000 each accident
Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 policy limit
Bodily Injury by Disease - \$500,000 each employee

2.4 Other

Such other insurance in form and amount as may be customary for the type of business being undertaken by the Contractor/Vendor.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

Executive Order: Minority business enterprises and women business enterprises (MBE/WBE) shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole, or in certain circumstances, in part with County funds. Accordingly, on June 4, 2009, the County Executive adopted the attached Executive Order addressing MBE/WBE participation in County contracts.

Each Contract: The County shall establish a minimum MBE/WBE participation amount for each contract, as applicable.

Bidder Responsibility: The bidder shall ensure that MBE/WBE participation occurs in accordance with the contract requirements and the County Executive's Executive Order. All bidders shall ensure that MBE/WBE have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform County contracts, as applicable. Baltimore County, Maryland, and/or its bidders and contractors shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability or sex in the award and performance of any County contract.

APPROVED MBE/WBE LISTINGS

Published compilations of approved and certified MBE/WBE, contractors, subcontractors, material suppliers, etc. include:

1. BALTIMORE COUNTY MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DIRECTORY (PRISM):
<http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/fairpractices/minoritybusiness/directory.html>
2. DIRECTORY OF MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MDOT):
http://mbe.mdot.state.md.us/directory/search_select.asp
3. MINORITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE:
<http://cityservices.baltimorecity.gov/mwboo/>

BIDDER'S ACTIONS

Seeking Commitments: The bidder will seek commitments by subcontract or otherwise from MBE/WBE for supplies and/or services, any combined value of which equals or exceeds the required percentage of MBE/WBE participation for the County contract.

Expenditures for Materials and Supplies: A bidder may count toward its MBE/WBE contract requirements, all expenditures for materials and supplies obtained from MBE/WBE suppliers and manufacturers, provided that the MBE/WBE assumes the actual and contractual responsibility for the provision of the materials and supplies.

Information to be Supplied: All bidders shall submit the following information to the County at the time of bid submission:

1. The name of an employee designated as the bidder's liaison to the County's Office for Fair Practices.
2. The following forms shall be completed and submitted
 - Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit (**Form A**); from among those names appearing in the Approved MBE/WBE Listings (excepting Federal Highway Administration projects, which exclusively require MBE/WBE approved and certified by the Maryland Department of Transportation Certification Committee);
 - A MBE/WBE Participation (**Form B**) completed and signed by the prime contractor and MBE/WBE for each MBE/WBE listed on the Form.
 - A MBE/WBE Disclosure and Participation Statement (**Form C**) completed and signed by the prime contractor and MBE/WBE for each MBE/WBE listed on the Form.

- If applicable, MBE/WBE Subcontractor Unavailable Certificate (**Form D**) completed and signed by the prime contractor and MBE/WBE for each MBE/WBE listed on the Form.
 - If applicable, MBE/WBE Outreach Efforts - Compliance Statement (**Form E**) completed and signed by the Bidder.
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3. For DPW contracts, if the bidder intends to fulfill the MBE/WBE requirements by use of a joint venture, he/she must submit a Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit (**Form D-EEO-006-A** and **B** showing the extent of MBE/WBE participation. If a bidder intends to use a MBE/WBE joint venture as a subcontractor to meet its MBE/WBE requirements, the affidavit must be submitted through the bidder by the proposed subcontractors and signed by all parties.
 4. If the bidder's proposed MBE/WBE participation does not meet the MBE/WBE contract requirements, information sufficient to demonstrate that the bidder has made every effort to meet the requirements must be submitted. (See DETERMINATION OF BID RESPONSIVENESS hereafter)

RECORDS AND REPORTS

Records to be Kept: The bidder must keep such records as are necessary to determine compliance with its MBE/WBE utilization requirements:

1. The MBE/WBE and non-minority contractors, type of work being performed, actual values of work and services.
2. Documentation of all correspondence, contacts, telephone calls, etc., to obtain MBE/WBE services for the contract.
3. All prime contractors and MBE/WBE sub-contractors are required to report monthly to the County through an online system called PRISM. If the contractor cannot submit his/her report on time, he/she will notify the County MBE/WBE office and request additional time to submit the report. Failure of the contractor to report in a timely manner may result in a finding of noncompliance. The County in its sole discretion and/or upon written request may require additional reports regarding MBE/WBE.

Retaining Records: All MBE/WBE records must be retained for 3 years following the expiration or any earlier termination of the contract and shall be available for inspection and photocopying by the County.

Investigation and Notification: Whenever the County believes the bidder, contractor, or any subcontractor may not be operating in compliance with the MBE/WBE requirements, the County may, in its sole discretion, conduct an investigation. If the County finds the bidder, contractor, or any subcontractor is not in compliance with the MBE/WBE requirements, the County may exercise any and all rights and remedies available to the County, under the contract, at law or equity, as deemed applicable and appropriate by the County in its sole discretion.

DETERMINATION OF BID RESPONSIVENESS

Request for Deviation: If the bidder is unable to procure from MBE/WBE's (by subcontract or otherwise), supplies and services, any combined value of which equals the required percentage of the total value of the contract, the bidder shall request, in writing, a deviation or waiver of the contract requirements. To obtain such a waiver, the bidder must submit the following information at the time bids are due:

The request for waiver request shall include (1) a signed unavailability statement (Form D) executed by all MBEs and WBEs that the bidder solicited for participation and (2) Outreach Efforts/Compliance Statement (Form E) that demonstrates the bidder's good faith efforts to comply with the contract requirements, including copies of solicitation documentation to all potential subcontractors:

Emails, letters, facsimile transmittals and confirmations containing plans, specifications, and anticipated time schedule for portions of the work to be performed and meeting notes and agendas clearly identifying the certified MBE or WBE classification and dates that the bidder contacted each MBE/WBE; and

Telephone logs containing names, addresses, dates, telephone numbers, work to be performed, anticipated time schedule and classification of certified MBEs and WBEs contacted.

Bid Rejection/Liquidated Damages/Contract Breach: For Purchasing contracts, the apparent low bidder's failure to provide a responsive MBE/WBE Plan as required by the solicitation may result in the bidder being deemed non-responsive and the County's rejection of the bid. FOR DPW CONTRACTS, (a) THE SOLICITATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THIS MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION SUMMARY AND ALL RELATED COUNTY MBE/WBE DOCUMENTS, AND (b) THE BID RESPONSE SHALL COLLECTIVELY OVERRIDE, CONTROL AND GOVERN OVER Section GP 7.29 of the February 2000 Baltimore County Department of Public Works' Standard Specifications for Construction and Materials. For DPW contracts, the apparent low bidder's failure to provide a responsive MBE/WBE Plan in the bidder's response as required by (a) described above, may result in the Director of the Department of Public Works' determination that the bid is non-responsive and recommendation to reject the bid as non-responsive despite the bidder being the apparent low bidder. For DPW contracts, if the County awarded the contract to the apparent low bidder who provided a responsive MBE/WBE Plan, but, if after said award and before execution of Contract Documents, the apparent low bidder fails to comply with the MBE/WBE Plan as required in (a) and (b) above, such failure may result in the Director of the Department of Public Works' recommendation to annul the award and forfeiture of the bidder's Proposal Guaranty to the County, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages sustained. In such case, the County may proceed as it determines to be in its best interest, including but not limited to, the Notice of Award may be made to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder or the work may be re-advertised.

After execution of each and any applicable County contract, in the event a contractor becomes aware it may or will fail to fulfill the applicable MBE/WBE requirements and/or may or will deviate from the contractor's bid response/contract terms, the contractor shall promptly advise the County of this in writing. Thereafter, the County will determine what action or remedy, if any, is appropriate on a case-by-case, contract by contract, basis. For example, such contractor failure may result in (i) a breach for which the County determines it is appropriate to declare a contract default and thereafter take further action and/or remedy as deemed appropriate by the County in its sole discretion, or (ii) a contract breach upon which the County may elect take no further action if deemed appropriate by the County in its sole discretion, or (iii) if mutually agreeable to the County and the contractor, such revision shall be documented via a contract amendment, executed by legally authorized representatives of the County and the contractor as described below in "Approval Required for Changes", or (iv) other actions or remedies as deemed appropriate by the County. Each action and/or remedy described above is at the sole discretion of the County.

Cooperation in Reviews: The bidder will cooperate with the County in any reviews of the contractor's procedures and practices with respect to MBE or WBE firms, which the County may from time to time conduct in its sole discretion.

Approval Required for Changes: Any and all changes to the contractor's use of MBE/WBE subcontractors during the contract term must be mutually agreeable to the County and the contractor and shall be documented via a contract amendment, executed by legally authorized representatives of the County and the contractor.

Other: If the documents used to determine the contractor's efforts, achievement of, and/or the status of an MBE/WBE requirement or fulfillment thereof contain false, misleading or misrepresenting information, the contractor may be declared in breach of the contract and/or the County may take any and all actions and/or remedies available to the County under the contract, at law, or in equity. If an MBE/WBE is disqualified by any public entity, including but not limited to, Baltimore City, the State or MDOT, at any time after award or during the term of the contract, the County may, in its sole discretion, take any action or no action, as deemed appropriate by the County, including but not limited to, review of each situation on a case-by-case basis, require the prime contractor to promptly submit for County approval, the contractor's plans for fulfilling the required MBE/WBE participation under the contract, and/or request such detail and additional information as the County, in its discretion deems appropriate.

PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS

If the solicitation includes a MBE/WBE **subcontracting** goal, you **MUST** demonstrate “**Good Faith**” effort either by:

1. If you will be able to meet the goal for each assigned task, complete and sign FORM A with the initial bid submission, FORM B and FORM C must be submitted with the proposed submission for the assigned task.

***NOTE:** All Forms must be completed and signed. However, FORM C-1 **MUST** be completed and signed by both the prime and the MBE/WBE subcontractor.*

OR

2. If you are unable to meet any portion of the goal, you **MUST** do one of the following:
 - a. If you are requesting a **partial waiver**, complete and sign FORM A, FORM B and FORM C to identify the portion of the goal that will be met. In addition, complete and sign FORM D and FORM E **accompanied with all supporting documentation** for the portion of the goal that will not be achieved.
 - b. If you are requesting a **full waiver**, complete and sign FORM A indicating your intent to request a full waiver accompanied with a completed and signed FORM D and FORM E **accompanied with all supporting documentation.**

***NOTE:** All Forms must be completed and signed. However, FORM C and FORM D **MUST** be completed and properly signed by **both** the Prime **AND** the MBE/WBE subcontractor(s).*

Reminder: MBE/WBE **subcontracting** goal apply to **ALL** prime/general contractors including certified and non-certified minority and women owned firms.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit
(FORM A)

**This document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

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I acknowledge the:

- The goals, if applicable, of:
 - _____ % for certified MBE-owned businesses and
 - _____ % for certified WBE-owned businesses.

I have made a good-faith effort to achieve this MBE/WBE requirement. If awarded the contract, I will comply with this MBE/WBE contract requirement and will continue to use my best efforts to increase MBE/WBE participation during the contract term.

PLEASE CHECK ONE BOX (EITHER 1, 2, OR 3)

NOTE: ANY INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN THIS FORM AND FORM B MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION MAY RENDER A BID NON-RESPONSIVE AND THE COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

1 Prime contractor has met the MBE/WBE contract requirements for this solicitation and contract. I submit the MBE/WBE Participation Form B and Form C, along with this Affidavit, which details how the prime contractor will achieve the contract requirements.

or

2 After having made a good-faith effort to achieve the MBE/WBE requirements, the prime contractor can only achieve partial success. I submit the MBE/WBE Participation Form B, Form C, Form D and Form E along with this Affidavit, which details how the prime contractor will partially achieve the contract requirements.

I request a partial waiver and will meet the following MBE/WBE participation goals:

- Partial waiver of MBE/WBE subcontract participation subgoals, if applicable:
 - _____ % for certified MBE-owned businesses and
 - _____ % for certified WBE-owned businesses.

or

3 After having made a good faith effort to achieve the MBE/WBE requirements for this contract, the prime contractor is unable to achieve the requirements and/or sub requirements for this contract. I submit the MBE/WBE Participation Form D and Form E, along with this Affidavit, which details the steps the prime contractor has taken in an attempt to achieve the contract requirements. Therefore, I request a full waiver.

IF YOU HAVE CHECKED BOX 2 OR 3, THE FOLLOWING IS APPLICABLE:

- 1) If a bidder is unable to comply with the goals established in a bid for a project, the bidder may submit a request for a waiver at the time of bid submission. However, occasions for granting waivers will be limited.

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Certified MBE/WBE Utilization and Fair Solicitation Affidavit
(FORM A)

- 2) The request for waiver shall include documentation that demonstrates the bidder's good faith efforts to comply with the goals, including:
- (I) Signed unavailability statements from all MBEs and WBEs that the bidder solicited for participation; and
 - (II) Copies of solicitation documentation to all potential subcontractors, including:
 - (a) Emails, letters, facsimile transmittals and confirmations containing plans, specifications, and anticipated time schedule for portions of the work to be performed and meeting notes and agendas clearly identifying the certified MBE or WBE classification and dates that the bidder contacted each; and
 - (b) Telephone logs containing names, addresses, dates, telephone numbers, work to be performed, anticipated time schedule and classification of certified MBEs and WBEs contacted.

As I have checked Box 2 or 3 of this Affidavit, I understand I must submit the following supporting documentation with the bid:

- *MBE/WBE Participation Schedule* (Form B)
- *MBE/WBE Disclosure and Participation Statement* (Form C)
- *MBE/WBE Subcontractors Unavailable Certificate* (Form D) (if applicable)
- *MBE/WBE Outreach Efforts – Compliance Statement* (Form E)
- Any other documentation in accordance with Section 6 (E) Bid Requirements of the attached Executive Order.

I acknowledge that the MBE/WBE subcontractors/suppliers listed on the *MBE/WBE Participation Schedule* (Form B) will be used to accomplish the percentage of MBE/WBE participation that the prime contractor shall achieve.

In the solicitation of subcontract quotations or offers, MBE/WBE subcontractors were provided the same information and amount of time to respond, as were non-MBE/WBE subcontractors.

The solicitation process was conducted in such a manner so as to not place MBE/WBE subcontractors at a competitive disadvantage to non-MBE/WBE subcontractors.

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that this Affidavit is true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Bidder/Offeror Name

Phone Number

Address

Affiant Signature

Address (continued)

Printed Name & Title

E-mail address

Date

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION SCHEDULE
(FORM B)**

**This document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR EACH MBE/WBE PARTICIPANT

Prime Contractor's Name	Prime Contractor's Address and Telephone Number
Project Name and Description	Project Location
	Base Bid \$ _____
1. MBE/WBE Firm Name	MBE/WBE Firm Address
MBE/WBE Firm Telephone Number _____ MBE/WBE Firm Fax Number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MDOT Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore City Certification # _____	MBE/WBE Group Type <input type="checkbox"/> (African American) <input type="checkbox"/> (Women) <input type="checkbox"/> (Asian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> (American Indian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Other)
Work to be Performed and Subcontract Dollar Amount	Percent of Total Contract
2. MBE/WBE Firm Name	MBE/WBE Firm Address
MBE/WBE Firm Telephone Number _____ MBE/WBE Firm Fax Number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MDOT Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore City Certification # _____	MBE/WBE Group Type <input type="checkbox"/> (African American) <input type="checkbox"/> (Women) <input type="checkbox"/> (Asian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> (American Indian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Other)
Work to be Performed and Subcontract Dollar Amount	Percent of Total Contract
3. MBE/WBE Firm Name	MBE/WBE Firm Address
MBE/WBE Firm Telephone Number _____ MBE/WBE Firm Fax Number _____ <input type="checkbox"/> MDOT Certification <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore City Certification # _____	MBE/WBE Group Type <input type="checkbox"/> (African American) <input type="checkbox"/> (Women) <input type="checkbox"/> (Asian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Hispanic) <input type="checkbox"/> (American Indian) <input type="checkbox"/> (Other)
Work to be Performed and Subcontract Dollar Amount	Percent of Total Contract
MBE/WBE Total Dollar Amount	Total MBE/WBE Percent of Entire Contract
Form Prepared by: Name _____ Title _____ Date _____	Reviewed and Accepted by Minority Business Enterprise Officer Name _____ Title _____ Date _____

Total MBE Participation:	_____ %	\$ _____
Total WBE Participation:	_____ %	\$ _____
Total Participation:	_____ %	\$ _____

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
MBE/WBE - SUBCONTRACTOR UNAVAILABILITY CERTIFICATE
(FORM D)

**If applicable, this document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

1. It is hereby certified that the firm of _____
(Name of Minority firm)

located at _____
(Number) (Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

was offered an opportunity to bid on the _____ contract.

2. The _____ (MBE/WBE Firm), is either unavailable for the work/service or unable to prepare a bid for this project for the following reason(s):

Signature of Minority Firms MBE/WBE Representative

Title

Date

MDOT/Baltimore City Certification #

Telephone #

3. PRIME CONTRACTOR SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION

I certify under oath that I contacted the Certified MBE/WBE and they advised me that they are unavailable, unable to perform the work/services for the above-contract or failed to respond to repeated requests for a price proposal for the above-contract.

Signature of Prime Contractor

Title

Date

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
MBE/WBE - OUTREACH EFFORTS - COMPLIANCE STATEMENT
(FORM E)

**If applicable, this document must be completed and submitted with Bid/Proposal to Baltimore County.*

NOTE: If you do not complete and submit this form with your bid or offer to the County, the County may, in its sole discretion, deem your bid or offer NON-RESPONSIVE and accordingly the COUNTY WILL NOT CONSIDER YOU FOR CONTRACT AWARD.

In conjunction with the bid or offer submitted in response to Solicitation Number _____, I state the following:

1. Bidder/Offeror identified opportunities to subcontract in these specific work categories:

2. Attached to this form are copies of the solicitation documentation in accordance with Section 6 (E) Bid Requirements of the Executive Order, used to solicit certified MBE/WBEs for the subcontract opportunities accompanied with the signed MBE/WBE Subcontractor Unavailability Certificate (Form D).

3. Bidder/Offeror made the following attempts to solicit MBE/WBEs:

Signature – Bidder Offeror

Print or Type Name of Firm

Street Address

City State Zip Code

Date

BID REPLY LABEL

*CUT ON THE DOTTED LINE AND SECURE
TO THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR RESPONSE
ENVELOPE OR CARTON.*

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL	
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NO. P-164 7/26/16, 3:00 PM AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TURNER STATION	
TO:	BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND PURCHASING DIVISION 400 WASHINGTON AVE, ROOM 148 TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204-4665

BE SURE TO SEPARATE THE PRICE PROPOSALS FROM THE TECHNICAL PROPOSALS. PRICE AND TECHNICAL PROPOSALS MUST BE BOUND SEPARATELY SO THAT EVALUATORS CAN REVIEW THE TECHNICAL PROPOSALS WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF THE PRICE PROPOSALS.

PLEASE USE THE LABELS BELOW TO CLEARLY MARK THE OUTSIDE OF BOTH THE TECHNICAL PROPOSALS AND PRICE PROPOSALS WITHIN YOUR ENVELOPE OR CARTON.

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

PRICE PROPOSAL

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. P-164
AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TURNER STATION**

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. **INTRODUCTION.** The County is soliciting proposals from Community Development Corporations (CDCs) and/or Developers to design, construct and sell single family detached on Avondale Road in Turner Station, on five parcels owned by the County, to create affordable homeownership opportunities. Offerors may submit proposals to acquire any one, more or all of the properties.

2. **BACKGROUND**
 - 2.1 Originally established as a rural community in the late 1800s, Turner Station is located in the eastern section of the county, not far from the Baltimore City line, at the end of a peninsula surrounded by the waters of Bear Creek. Turner Station witnessed most of its growth and prosperity during the 1940s as a result of black steelworkers moving to the area to be close to employment at the Bethlehem Steel plant.
 - 2.2 According to Census 2010, the area has about 2,722 residents and the area's population is younger than that of the majority of Baltimore County. Families account for 64.86% of total households in the area. The area's median home value is \$161,000.
 - 2.3 The predominant land use is residential. There is a mixture of single family detached dwellings, semi-detached homes, row home structures, and low rise multifamily apartments. Several WWII-era apartment communities exist in Turner Station, which are surrounded by lower density single-family homes. The residential zoning districts in the area are DR 5.5, DR 10.5, and DR 16. There are 1,165 housing units, of which 90.13% are occupied. The area's vacancy rate (9.87%) is higher than the county's average. Most of the housing (75.52%) in the area is renter-occupied for families or other types of households and 86.9% of the housing structures are single family, 8.9% are 2, 3, or 4-unit structures, and multi-family structures (5 or more units) are minimal. Ernest Lyons Homes and Day Village are the two major multi-family complexes. 82.9% of the housing units were constructed prior to 1960. The area's median gross rent is \$846. The area's home value and rent are lower than the county's averages.
 - 2.4 There are small pockets of commercial zoning at some of the major intersections, including Sollers Point Road and Dundalk Avenue, William Wade Avenue and Main Street, Avondale and William Wade Avenue, and parts of Main Street (Zoning Map). Institutional land use also is predominant at the end of the peninsula where the county-owned Fleming Recreational Center is located. A Baltimore Gas and Electric (BGE) Right of Way cuts through the center of the community. The land owned by BGE is utilized by community residents for a community gardening program.
 - 2.5 In 2003 as part of the adopted Turner Station Community Conservation Plan, multiple action recommendations relating to future goals for commemorating the heritage and revitalization of Turner Station were identified. The County has gained site control of 102, 104, 105, 106, and 107 Avondale Road and has demolished the buildings. Working with the Turner Station Conservation Team (TSCT), a community association, the County is issuing this RFP for the construction of new Single Family Detached (SFD) houses on the properties. The County anticipates at least 3-4 houses. Offerors may propose consolidation or subdivision of parcels if the Offeror deems appropriate. Any such action would be the obligation of the successful Offeror.
 - 2.6 The tax ID # of 102 Avondale site is 1216004020 and the lot contains 6,480 square feet. The tax ID # of 104 Avondale site is 1223050390 and the lot contains 1,859 square feet. The tax ID # of 106 Avondale site is 1223050391 and the lot contains 3,570 square feet. The current zoning is DR 5.5 (Density Residential- Low, medium and high density urban residential development; 5.5

maximum number of dwelling units per acre). The existing land use is Single Family Detached. (See below for the aerial photography and zoning map).

2.7 The tax ID # of 105 Avondale site is 1208006540 and the lot contains 5,000 square feet. The tax ID # of 107 Avondale site is 1208006540 and the lot contains 2,214 square feet. The current zoning is BL (Business Local- Small to moderate scale commercial). The existing land use is Single Family Detached. (See below for the aerial photography and zoning map).

2.8 The County is willing to donate the parcels to the successful Offeror(s).



Figure 1: 2016 Aerial Photography

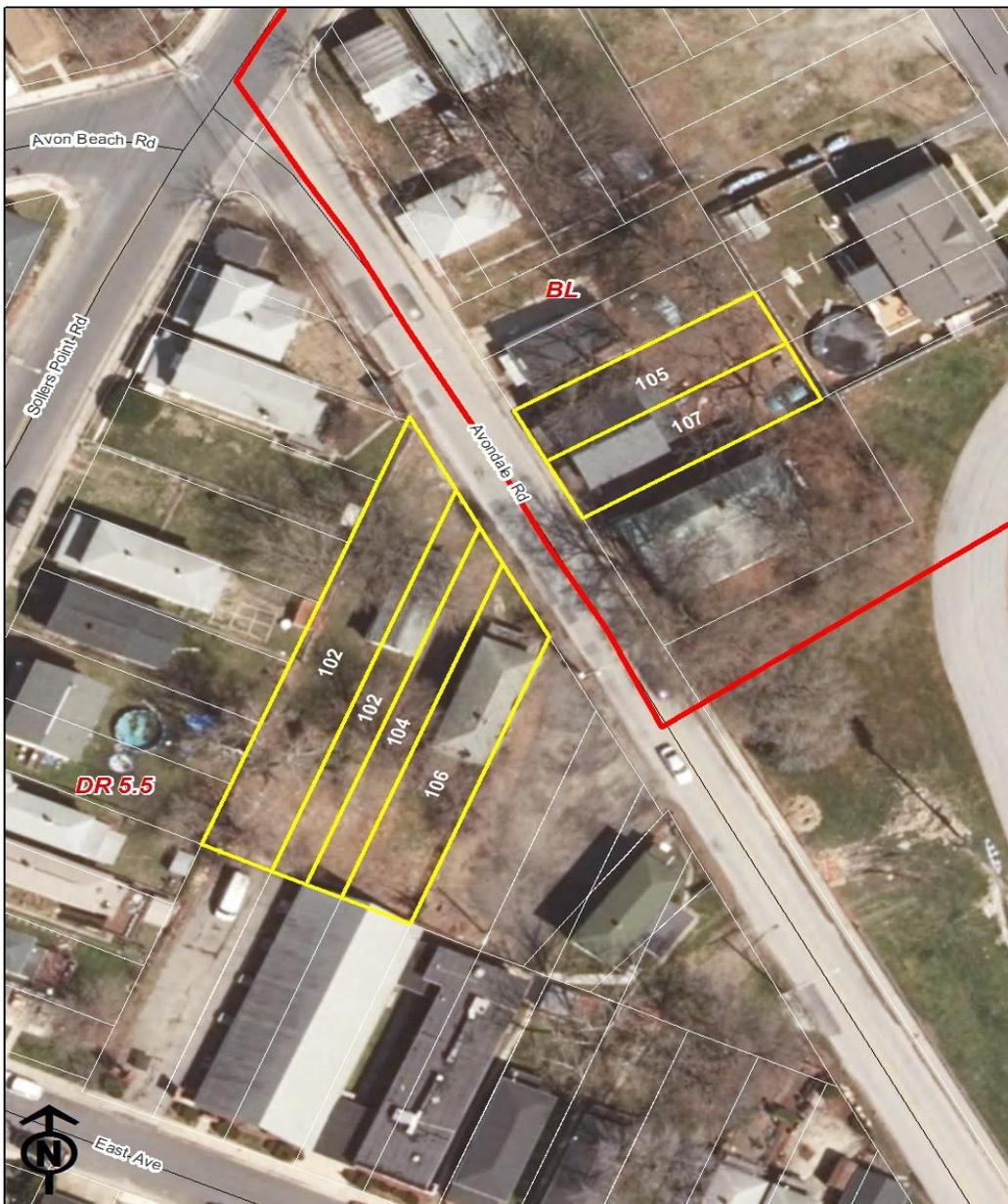


Figure 2: GIS map showing 102/106 and 105/107 Avondale properties

3. **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

- 3.1 The County is soliciting proposals from Community Development Corporations (CDCs) and/or Developers to design, construct and sell single family detached homes on Avondale Road to create affordable homeownership opportunities.
- 3.2 The selected Offeror(s) must adhere to all applicable county laws, codes, zoning ordinances and other requirements relating to construction, housing safety, quality and habitability.
 - 3.2.1 Davis Bacon and related acts apply.
 - 3.2.2 Section 3 clauses apply.
- 3.3 Selected Offeror(s) must be committed to working with representatives from the community and Department of Planning on building designs that enhance the quality of life for residents of Turner Station and the resulting houses should be economical, attractive, sustainable, durable, and visually compatible with the neighborhood. Plans should include:

- 3.3.1 Accessible features to be readily used by seniors and persons with disabilities
- 3.3.2 Energy efficiency measures and meet Energy Star standards
- 3.3.3 Attractive landscaping requiring little to no maintenance
- 3.3.4 Three bedrooms and first floor master bedroom options should be considered
- 3.3.5 Driveways and parking pads
- 3.4 Offerors must provide, as part of their proposals estimated time period for (a) construction and (b) sale of the completed residence.
- 3.5 The selected Offeror(s) will be required to sell the property to a family that is at or below 80% of the Area Median Income as determined by HUD and adjusted periodically.
- 3.6 Offerors may, but are not required to, satisfy the requirements of this RFP with a joint venture. For purposes of this RFP, a joint venture is an "Offeror" and, except when otherwise expressly so provided, or the Contract indicates otherwise, will be treated as one entity.
- 3.7 The selected Offeror(s) will be required to post Payment and Performance Bonds, or other collateral mutually agreed upon, to ensure completion of the project.

4. MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE REQUIREMENTS: The resulting minority and women business participation requirement for this contract is as follows:

Industry Category	Goal Percentage Breakdown
Architect/Engineering	20%
Construction	25%
Real Estate or Other Related Services	5%

- 4.1 Each Contractor must comply with all Minority and Women Business Enterprises (M/WBE) participation requirements. Included with this solicitation package are copies of the County's M/WBE policy and provisions and M/WBE participation schedule forms. All M/WBE participation forms must be completed, executed, and **returned to the Purchasing Division with the bid** if a goal has been assigned. To request M/WBE participation forms, contact the buyer on the solicitation.
- 4.2 It is the intention of the contract, that the Contractor complies with the required participation levels on a cumulative basis for the full term of this agreement rather than on a job-to-job basis. The successful Contractor shall estimate the participation level (for the full term of the contract) for each subcontractor and/or suppliers listed on the participation schedule.
- 4.3 The Prime Contractor shall make a genuine good faith effort to comply with the Baltimore County Minority Business program's minimum 15% subcontracting goal. However, the percentage requirement may vary. The Prime Contractor shall make a good faith effort to obtain minority subcontractor participation even if the Prime Contractor has the capability to complete the work with its own workforce. This good faith effort is also applicable to Prime Contractors who are themselves, minority-owned or woman owned firms.
- 4.4 All prime contractors and MBE/WBE sub-contractors are required to report monthly to the County through an online using the MBE/WBE Compliance Portal (PRISM). The portal can be found under *Compliance Reporting for Prime Contractors and Sub-Contractors* at

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/go/mwbe. The contractor must provide a contact person and contact information for the MBE/WBE compliance reporting. If the contractor cannot submit his/her report on time, he/she will notify the County MBE/WBE office and request additional time to submit the report. Failure of the contractor to report in a timely manner may result in a finding of noncompliance. The County in its sole discretion may require additional reports regarding MBE/WBE. Questions regarding the use of this system can be directed to the MBE Office at mwbe@baltimorecountymd.gov or call 410-887-3407.

5. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS: Each Offeror must submit both a technical and a price proposal. Each proposal must be submitted separately, and there must be no reference to price in the technical proposal.

5.1 In the Technical Proposal, Offeror must:

5.1.1 Describe your team's capabilities, firm's qualification, knowledge and experience as outlined in the scope of services.

5.1.2 Describe your familiarity and experience working in Baltimore County.

5.1.3 Describe your strategies to complete the project.

5.1.4 Provide your physical location.

5.1.5 Provide a timeline for completion of design, construction and sale of the completed homes.

5.1.6 Describe obstacles to meeting the timeline referenced above, and proposed solutions.

5.1.7 Provide an organization chart containing the names of all personnel and sub-consultants with titles and specific tasks for this project.

5.1.8 Describe anticipated staffing levels, skills and qualifications to be provided.

5.1.9 Identify the proposed project manager and other proposed key professionals to be assigned to the project, and provide resumes for all key personnel. Please include the following in the resume:

5.1.9.1 Recent history of development and/or redevelopment that includes high quality affordable single family residential products delivered on-schedule and on-budget.

5.1.9.2 Relevant real estate and residential construction experience, including experience working with local government-funded housing development.

5.1.9.3 Provide information regarding previous experience with government funds and new housing construction projects.

5.1.9.4 Two samples of new housing construction completed for public agencies in the last ten years and names of staff who worked on the sample projects.

5.1.9.5 Name, address, and phone number of public agency references overseeing the project.

5.1.9.6 Demonstration of ability to meet deadlines on similar projects.

5.1.10 Provide a concept plan that includes the following:

5.1.10.1 Site plan

5.1.10.2 Minimum of two rendered views

5.1.10.3 Location and dimensions of proposed house, distance to property lines of all structures, driveways, parking areas, curb cuts, sidewalks, etc.

5.1.10.4 Landscaping

5.1.10.5 Floor plan for proposed project, number of proposed bedrooms including dimensions of all rooms with notation of what each room will be used for

5.1.10.6 Optional additions for homes.

5.1.11 Sufficient financial information must be provided to establish the financial soundness of the Offeror (and if a joint venture, of each firm in the joint venture) for the proposed project including the most current financial statement, and audited financial statements for the past three (3) years, to include balance sheets, income statements and statements which explain changes in financial position, and terms and conditions of any significant contingent liabilities (such as guaranteed loans or other obligations) that could affect this project. Include names and phone number of two commercial bank references, two financial partner references, and two major construction contractor references.

5.1.12 Offerors must specifically identify any portions of their proposals deemed to contain confidential, proprietary information or trade secrets. Those portions must be readily separable from the balance of the proposal. Such designation will not necessarily be conclusive, and Offerors may be required to justify why such material should not, upon written request, be disclosed by the County under The Public Records Act, State Government Article, Title 10, Subtitle 6 of the *Annotated Code of Maryland*.

5.2 In the price proposal offer, the Offeror must:

5.2.1 Include an estimate of the total cost to complete the project. Also included must be a summary breakdown of the project's major cost components, the source and amount of funds to be used, and the party responsible for implementation. If multiple options are proposed, Offerors shall provide costs for each option and the total cost.

5.2.2 Itemize the hourly rate, number of anticipated hours required to complete the scope of work, and all other indirect costs that are included in the lump sum price.

5.2.3 Estimated budget based on the scope of services and the proposed approach detailing the time and budget allotted to each consultant and sub-consultant by task.

5.2.4 A statement explaining how the project would be financed, including the source and amount of debt and equity financing. If funds are to be obtained from sources other than the Offeror, a statement must be obtained from each such source indicating the type and amount of funds approved for the project, their willingness and ability to provide the necessary funds, and any contingencies on funding. If the Offeror intends to seek financial assistance from the County, the Offeror must describe the amount requested, and the intended use of the County funds.

5.2.4 Estimated sale price of completed home, and cost of any optional additions.

6. **PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE.** A pre-proposal conference is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 10:00 a.m., in the Purchasing Division, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, Maryland 21204.

7. **QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES; ADDENDA**

- 7.1 Questions will be entertained at the conference. If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this RFP, addenda will be posted on the web site at www.baltimorecountymd.gov.
- 7.2 Offerors must acknowledge, in writing, receipt of all addenda in the text of their proposals. All official correspondence in regard to the specifications should be directed to and will be issued by the Purchasing Division. Offerors are cautioned that the County assumes no responsibility for oral explanations or interpretations of solicitation documents.
- 7.3 **The deadline for written questions pertaining to this solicitation is Monday July 18, 2016.**

8. EVALUATION OF OFFERS. Award will be made to the responsible Offeror whose proposal best meets the needs of the County as set forth herein with respect to each property, and award of more than one (1) property to a single Offeror is possible. Proposals will be primarily evaluated based on the following minimum criteria, among other secondary site specific criteria to be determined by the evaluation committee and applied to all the proposals received for each site.

- 8.1 Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria, listed in order of importance.
- 8.1.1 Project design;
 - 8.1.2 The experience of the proposed Offeror in designing and constructing similar projects;
 - 8.1.3 Compatibility and suitability of the proposed redevelopment with the surrounding area; and
 - 8.1.4 The Offeror's ability to provide or obtain sufficient financial resources, and staffing, to start and complete the Project in a timely fashion.
 - 8.1.5 MBE/WBE Participation
 - 8.1.6 Degree of completeness of response to the RFP and degree to which the offeror followed instructions for submittal.
 - 8.1.7 Price.
- 8.2 After consideration of the factors set forth in this RFP, the committee will recommend award to the offeror or offerors whose proposal(s) is most advantageous to the County.
- 8.3 This RFP will result in the submission of "proposals" (not "bids"), and the Evaluation and award process will be based on both scored technical and price responses, not just price. Therefore, the County may enter into negotiations with offerors and invite "best and final offers" as deemed to be in the best interest of the County. Negotiations may be in the form of face-to-face, telephone, facsimile or written communications, or any combination thereof, at the County's sole discretion.
- 8.4 Offerors are strongly advised not to prepare their proposal submissions based on any assumption or understanding that negotiations will take place. Offerors are advised to respond to this RFP fully and with forth-rightness at the time of proposal submission.
- 8.5 Nonacceptance of an individual offer may mean that one or more other proposals were more advantageous, or that all were rejected.

9. ORAL PRESENTATION. Offerors may be required to clarify their proposals by making individual presentations to the evaluation committee.

10. OFFEROR QUALIFICATIONS

- 10.1 At the option of the County, Offerors may be required to furnish evidence of sufficient financial responsibility to fulfill the contract, and that they have, or can obtain the necessary equipment, manpower, and storage facility to ensure delivery within the parameters of the contract.
 - 10.2 Offerors must provide at least two (2) references (names of contact persons and phone numbers) of similar sized contracts serviced during the past eighteen (18) months.
 - 10.3 Prior to awarding of this contract, the county reserves the right to inspect the facilities of any responsive Offeror. The reputation of Offerors regarding adequacy of their resources and facilities, and past records of their skillful performance of work of the type and magnitude required herein shall be considered when making the award.
11. **SUBMITTAL PROCESS AND REQUIRED COPIES.** Each Offeror shall submit **one original, clearly marked as such, and eight (8) copies** of the complete proposal. In addition, an electronic version (CD) of the Technical Proposal in PDF format must be enclosed with the original Technical Proposal. An electronic version (CD) of the Price Proposal in PDF format must be enclosed in the original Price Proposal. The CDs must be labeled with the RFP title, the RFP number, and the name of the Offeror. Be sure to package each CD with the appropriate proposal, Technical or Price.
- 11.1 The cost of preparing proposals is the responsibility of the Offerors. The County will not photocopy your proposal documents for the purpose of complying with this provision requiring a pre-determined number of duplicate copies. Failure to provide the required number of complete duplicate copies may result in rejection of your proposal.
 - 11.2 Proposals must be securely sealed and addressed to the Baltimore County Purchasing Bureau, 400 Washington Avenue, Room 148, Towson, Maryland 21204 using the label provided in the solicitation package. Copies of the label must be made for multiple packages.
 - 11.3 Technical and Price Proposals are to be mailed together in one package, but the Technical and Price Proposals must be bound separately. There shall be no reference to the price in the Technical Proposal. Proposals may be either mailed or hand-delivered. If the proposal is sent by mail or commercial express service, the Offeror shall be responsible for actual delivery of the proposal to the proper County office before the deadline. All timely proposals become the property of the County.
 - 11.4 Late proposals will not be considered. Proposals received after the deadline will be returned unopened.
 - 11.5 Proposals should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the offer, and all required information. They should be printed on recycled paper and duplexed if possible; staples, clips or rubber bands are preferred to ring binders, and unnecessarily elaborate brochures or other expensive visual presentations are neither necessary nor desired. Each page of the proposal should be consecutively numbered.
 - 11.6 Each proposal shall be accompanied by an executed procurement affidavit which is provided by the Purchasing Division in the solicitation package.
12. **DURATION OF PROPOSAL OFFER.** Proposals shall be valid for one hundred eighty (180) days following the RFP opening date. This period may be extended by mutual agreement between the selected Offeror and the County. Proposals may not be withdrawn during this period.
13. **ISSUING OFFICER.** The sole point of contact for the County for purposes of this solicitation is the Issuing Officer, at the address set forth on the first page. Questions regarding any aspect of the competitive process must be directed to the Issuing Officer, in writing.
14. **RESERVATIONS.**

- 14.1 This RFP creates no obligation on the part of the County to award a Contract or to compensate Offerors for proposal preparation expenses.
- 14.2 The County reserves the right to select an Offeror or Offerors based upon proposals received without further negotiation, and may do so.
- 14.3 The County reserves the right to make such investigation as it deems necessary to determine the ability of Offerors to carry out the proposal submitted, and Offerors shall furnish such information for this purpose as may be requested by the County.
- 14.4 The County reserves the right to reject the proposal of any Offeror who is not currently in a position to successfully complete the proposed project, or who has previously failed to perform similar projects, or other County projects, properly or in a timely manner.
- 14.5 The County reserves the right to reject, in whole or in part, any and all proposals received, to waive minor irregularities, and to negotiate in any manner necessary to best serve the public interest.
- 14.6 In the event that no acceptable proposal is received, this RFP shall terminate and the County shall have no further responsibility with respect to Offerors.
- 14.7 In the event that an Offeror is selected as best suited to meet the terms of this solicitation, the County will negotiate a contract that will be subject to the County's normal development review process and all applicable County laws, rules and regulations, including but not limited to zoning. If negotiations have not been completed within ninety (90) days after the selection of an Offeror, then such selection shall expire; provided, however, that the County may extend that time period if both parties find that negotiations are proceeding satisfactorily.

15. FORMATION OF CONTRACT.

- 15.1 A contract or contracts awarded pursuant to this RFP shall be by and between the successful Offeror(s) and the County, and shall contain, at a minimum, the provisions included in the RFP, any amendments or changes thereto.
- 15.2 Any costs shall be borne by the selected Offeror(s). These include, but are not limited to costs related to contract negotiation, design, construction and sale of the home(s) and costs related to title to and financing and conveying of any site.
- 15.3 Each site is offered "as is" without any warranty or representation as to condition or fitness for any particular purpose. Offerors should exercise full due diligence and undertake investigation regarding each site. Offerors are responsible for the cost of all such due diligence and investigation.
- 15.4 The County will not pay a broker's commission on the conveyance of a site.
- 15.5 Each Offeror must warrant and represent that it has not employed or engaged any person or entity to solicit or secure the Contract and that it has not paid, or agreed to pay, any person or entity a fee or any other consideration contingent upon the making of the Contract. If any suit, claim or demand shall arise concerning any such fee, the Offeror shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from all such suits, claims or demands.
- 15.6 Submission of a proposal in response to this RFP evidences the Offeror's acceptance of the terms and conditions herein.
- 15.7 The provisions of the contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maryland.

15.8 Acceptance of the contract and disposition of property are subject to the approval of the County Council.

16. INSURANCE.

16.1 The selected Offeror(s) will be required to provide verification of insurance coverage in accordance with the attached requirements. The selected Offeror(s) will have fifteen (15) calendar days from receipt of notice of intent to award in which to comply with this requirement, excluding County holidays and non-work days, if applicable.

16.2. The Insurer must maintain the insurance coverage required by the County while the contract is in force, including renewal terms, and shall provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the County when required.

16.3. In the event the Contractor changes its insurance carrier, new verification of insurance coverage must be provided to the County by the new insurance carrier within ten (10) days of the change of policy.

17. COUNTY HOLIDAYS.

New Year's Day	Columbus Day
MLK, Jr. Birthday	General Election Day (each even year)
Presidents' Day	Veterans' Day
Memorial Day	Thanksgiving Day
Independence Day	Christmas Day
Labor Day	

18. MANDATORY CONTRACT PROVISIONS

18.1 Mandatory contract provisions are attached to the end of this RFP. By the act of submitting a proposal, the offeror expressly acknowledges that he/she/it accepts the terms and conditions attached hereto unless exceptions are submitted in writing with the proposal.

18.2 The Offerors' acceptance of, or deviations from, the mandatory contract terms and conditions are considered during the evaluation and subsequent award.

18.3 If the Offeror submits an exception which alters the County's risk, liability, exposure in, or the intent of this procurement, the County reserves the right in its' sole and absolute discretion to deem the Offeror non-responsive.

19. ELECTRONIC VERSION SUBMITTAL

19.1 In accordance with the General Instructions for Solicitations, #1.9, Instructions, Forms and Specifications, responses to Requests for Bids and Requests for Proposals shall be accompanied by an electronic version (CD) of the bid proposal in PDF format. The CD must be labeled with the bid number, the bid title, and the bidders' name submitting the response. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope or carton as appropriate. This does not apply to Requests for Quotations.

**BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. P-164
MANDATORY CONTRACT PROVISIONS**

1. **County's Inability to Perform.** Notwithstanding any other terms or provisions of this Agreement, in the event the County is temporarily or permanently prevented, restricted or delayed in the performance of any or all of the duties and obligations imposed upon or assumed by it hereunder, by act of the General Assembly of Maryland or the Baltimore County Council, by a court of competent jurisdiction or by administrative delay not due to the fault of the County (and its members and agents) shall not be liable directly or indirectly for any claims caused to or suffered by the Contractor or any other person in connection with or as a result of such prevention, restriction or delay.
2. **Independent Contractor.** The Contractor shall be an independent contractor and not an employee of the County, and shall be responsible for the reporting and remittance of all state and federal taxes.
3. **Contractor's Representations and Warranties.** The Contractor hereby represents the following:
 - 3.1 The Contractor is a [corporation][limited liability company] [limited partnership][limited liability limited partnership][general partnership], duly formed and validly existing under the laws of the State of [INSERT STATE OF INCORPORATION] and is qualified to do business and is in good standing in the State of Maryland.
 - 3.2 The Contractor has the power and authority to consummate the obligations and responsibilities contemplated hereby, and has taken all necessary action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance required under this Agreement.
 - 3.3 The person executing this Agreement for the Contractor warrants that [he][she] is duly authorized by the Contractor to execute this Agreement on the Contractor's behalf.
 - 3.4 The services to be provided under this Agreement shall be performed competently and with due care, and in accordance with all applicable laws, codes, ordinances and regulations and licensing requirements
 - 3.5 The Contractor has obtained and shall continue to maintain, at its own cost, such licenses and certifications as are necessary to provide the services rendered under this Agreement, and shall present such licenses to the County upon its request for the same.
 - 3.6 All representations and warranties made in the Procurement Affidavit and the Bid response remain true and correct in all respects.
4. **Termination for Convenience.** Either party may terminate this Agreement, without cause, by providing written notice thereof to the non-terminating party at least thirty (30) days prior to the intended date of termination at the addresses set forth below, or at such other addresses as may be later designated by the parties in writing. In the event of termination, without cause, the Contractor shall be paid for all reasonable costs incurred by the Contractor up to the date of termination set forth in the written notice of termination.
5. **Insurance.** The Contractor shall be required to provide insurance required by the County pursuant to the attached insurance requirements in the form and in amounts acceptable to the County. The Contractor shall maintain the insurance coverages required by the County while this Agreement is in force, and provide documentation of such insurance in a form satisfactory to the County. Such documentation may, in the discretion of the County, be in the form of binders or declarations from the insurance company. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the attached insurance requirements and this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

6. **Default.** The term "Default" as used in this Agreement shall mean the occurrence or happening, from time to time, of any one or more of the following:
- 6.1 Representations and Warranties. If any representation or warranty, expressed or implied, contained in this Agreement, and if applicable, the Bid, shall prove at any time to be incorrect or misleading in any material respect either on the date when made or on the date when reaffirmed.
 - 6.2 Compliance with Covenants and Conditions. If the Contractor shall fail to comply with the terms of any covenant, condition, agreement or any express or implied warranty contained in this Agreement.
 - 6.3 Performance of Contractual Obligations. If the services hereunder are not performed in good faith and in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
 - 6.4 Conditions Precedent to Any Disbursement. If the Contractor shall be unable to satisfy any condition precedent to its right to receive a disbursement.
7. **Remedies for Default.**
- 7.1 The County shall have the right upon the happening of any Default, without providing notice to the Contractor:
 - 7.1.1 In addition to other available rights and remedies, to terminate this Agreement immediately, in whole or in part;
 - 7.1.2 To suspend the Contractor's authority to receive any undisbursed funds; and/or
 - 7.1.3 To proceed at any time or from time to time to protect and enforce all rights and remedies available to the County, by suit or any other appropriate proceedings, whether for specific performance of any covenant, term or condition set forth in this Agreement, or for damages or other relief, or proceed to take any action authorized or permitted under applicable law or regulations.
 - 7.2 Upon termination of this Agreement for default, the County may elect to pay the Contractor for services provided up to the date of termination, less the amount of damages caused by the default, all as determined by the County in its sole discretion. If the damages exceed the undisbursed sums available for compensation, the County shall not be obligated to make any further disbursements hereunder.
8. **Remedies Cumulative and Concurrent.** No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the County is intended to be exclusive of any other remedies provided for in this Agreement, and each and every such remedy shall be cumulative, and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder, or under this Agreement, or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute. Every right, power and remedy given to the County shall be concurrent and may be pursued separately, successively or together against the Contractor, and every right, power and remedy given to the County may be exercised from time to time as often as may be deemed expedient by the County.
9. **Confidential Information.** The Contractor shall not disclose any documentation and information disclosed to the Contractor in the course of its performance of duties hereunder with respect to the past, present and future County business, services and clients without the express written consent of the County.
10. **Conflict of Interest.** The Contractor represents and warrants that there exists no actual or potential conflict of interest between its performance under this Agreement and its engagement or involvement in any other personal or professional activities. In the event such conflict or potential conflict arises during the term of this Agreement, or any extension thereof, the Contractor shall immediately advise the County thereof.

11. Assignment.

11.1 Neither the County nor the Contractor shall assign, sublet or transfer its interest or obligations under this Agreement to any third party, without the written consent of the other. The Contractor further agrees to provide a minimum of ninety (90) days' written notice to the County prior to entering into any merger or consolidation where the surviving entity will be unwilling or unable to accept the Contractor's obligations hereunder, to enable the County to procure the services elsewhere. In the event the cost of procuring such alternate services increases the cost to the County, and/or delays delivery time of any product, in addition to any other remedies available to the County, the Contractor shall pay to the County, as damages, any additional costs incurred.

11.2 Nothing herein shall be construed to create any personal or individual liability upon any employee, officer or elected official of the County, nor shall this Agreement be construed to create any rights hereunder in any person or entity other than the parties of this Agreement.

12. Delegation of Duties. The Contractor shall not delegate the Contractor's duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the County.

13. Indemnification.

13.1 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its employees, agents and officials from any and all claims, suits, or demands including attorney fees which may be made against the County, its employees, agents or officials resulting from any act or omission committed in the performance of the duties imposed by and performed under the terms of this Agreement by the Contractor or anyone under agreement with the Contractor to perform duties under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not be responsible for acts of gross negligence or willful misconduct committed by the County.

13.2 The Contractor shall also defend, indemnify and hold the County harmless against all liability to any third party arising from the alleged violation of any third parties' trade secrets, proprietary information, trademark, copyright, patent rights, or intellectual property rights in connection with the Contractor's work under this Agreement.

13.3 If a claim is made by a third party alleging that any work product or services provided under this Agreement, or any portion thereof, infringes a U.S. patent, copyright or trade secret, upon receipt of the County's written notice of such claim, the Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County against any and all claims, costs, liabilities, and expenses arising from any such claim.

14. Fee Prohibition. The Contractor warrants and represents that it has not employed or engaged any person or entity to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that it has not paid, or agreed to pay any person or entity a fee or any other consideration contingent on the making of this Agreement. If any suit, claim, or demand shall arise concerning such a fee, the Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the County, from all such claims, suits or demands.

15. No Partnership. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed in any manner to create any relationship between the Contractor and the County other than expressly specified herein and the Contractor and the County shall not be considered partners or co-venturers for any purpose on account of this Agreement.

16. Waiver of Jury Trial. THE CONTRACTOR AND THE COUNTY HEREBY WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING TO WHICH THE COUNTY AND/OR THE CONTRACTOR ARE PARTIES ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY PERTAINING TO THIS AGREEMENT. IT IS AGREED AND UNDERSTOOD THAT THIS WAIVER CONSTITUTES A WAIVER OF TRIAL BY JURY OF ALL

CLAIMS AGAINST ALL PARTIES TO SUCH ACTIONS OR PROCEEDINGS, INCLUDING CLAIMS AGAINST PARTIES WHO ARE NOT PARTIES TO THIS AGREEMENT. THIS WAIVER IS KNOWINGLY, WILLINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY MADE BY THE COUNTY AND THE CONTRACTOR AND THE COUNTY AND THE CONTRACTOR HEREBY REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT NO REPRESENTATIONS OF FACT OR OPINION HAVE BEEN MADE BY AN INDIVIDUAL TO INDUCE THIS WAIVER OF TRIAL BY JURY OR TO IN ANY WAY MODIFY OR NULLIFY ITS EFFECT. THE COUNTY AND THE CONTRACTOR FURTHER REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED OR HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE REPRESENTED, IN THE SIGNING OF THIS AGREEMENT AND IN THE MAKING OF THIS WAIVER, BY LEGAL COUNSEL, SELECTED OF THEIR OWN FREE WILL, AND THAT THEY HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS WAIVER WITH COUNSEL.

17. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland.

18. **Conflicting Terms.**

18.1 The Contractor acknowledges that any Purchase Order issued on or after the effective date of this Agreement is hereby integrated and made a part of this Agreement, provided, however that any preprinted terms and conditions of any purchase order or other ordering document issued by the County in connection with this Agreement that are in addition to or inconsistent with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, shall not be binding on the Contractor and shall not be deemed to modify this Agreement.

18.2 In the event of a conflict between the Bid and this Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement (without the conflicting terms in the Bid) shall prevail.

18.3 If a conflict arises between the provisions of this Agreement and the Purchase Order, the provisions of this Agreement shall prevail.

19. **Funding.** The failure of the County to appropriate sufficient funds in any future fiscal year to provide funds for this Agreement shall entitle the County to terminate this Agreement without prior notice to the Contractor.

20. **Discrimination Prohibited.**

20.1 In the execution of the obligations and responsibilities hereunder, including, but not limited to, hiring or employment made possible by or relating to this Agreement, the Contractor shall not:

20.1.1 Fail or refuse to hire or to discharge any individual, or otherwise to discriminate against any individual with respect to the individual's compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment, because of such individual's race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test;

20.1.2 Limit, segregate, or classify its employees or applicants for employment in any way which would deprive or tend to deprive any individual of employment opportunities or otherwise adversely affect the individual's status as an employee, because of the individual's race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or disability unrelated in nature and extent so as to reasonably preclude the performance of the employment, or because of the individual's refusal to submit to a genetic test or make available the results of a genetic test; or

20.1.3 Request or require genetic tests or genetic information as a condition for hiring or determining benefits.

20.2 All solicitations or advertisements for employees shall state that the Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.

21. At any time during normal business hours and as often as the County may deem necessary, the Contractor shall make available to and permit inspection by the County, its employees or agents, all records, information and documentation of the Contractor related to the subject matter of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all contracts, invoices, payroll, and financial audits.

22. **Political Contribution Disclosure Affirmation**. The Contractor affirms that it is aware of, and will comply with, the provisions of Sections 14-101 through 14-108 of the Election Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which require that every person who makes, during any 12-month period, one or more contracts, with one or more Maryland governmental entities involving cumulative consideration, or at least \$100,000.00, shall file with the State Board of Elections certain specified information to include disclosure of attributable political contributions in excess of \$500 during defined reporting periods.

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. P-164
AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TURNER STATION
Due Date: 7/26/16, Time: 3:00 P.M.

PROPOSAL SIGNATURE COVER PAGE

SUBMISSION OF A BID/PROPOSAL IN RESPONSE TO THIS SOLICITATION EVIDENCES THE BIDDER'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREIN. THIS PAGE MUST BE PROPERLY SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL IN THE FIRM WHO REPRESENTS AND WARRANTS ACCEPTANCE OF ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR BID/ REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID/PROPOSAL MUST INITIAL ANY ALTERATIONS IN FIGURES ON THIS FORM IN INK.

COMPANY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip Code)

TELEPHONE: _____ FAX: _____

SIGNED: _____ DATE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____ TITLE: _____

TAX ID NUMBER (FIN/SS#) _____ EMAIL: _____

Is your company a certified Minority Business Enterprise? *Bidders must complete the applicable Minority Participation Affidavit attached.*

Initial to confirm that a complete electronic version of the bid proposal response is included in the bid package. _____

Is your firm in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations relating to the employment of illegal aliens? If YES, check here _____

NOTICE: A notice required to be delivered shall be deemed to have been received when such notice has been sent to the following address and individual:

F.O.B. Destination (unless otherwise stated herein).

Delivery shall be made within _____ calendar days after receipt of order.

Payment Terms: _____ Cash discounts for less than 30 days will not be considered in determining awards. However, should that bidder obtain award by consideration of the gross price, the County should make every effort to obtain the discount. The County will not accept payment terms with a period of less than (30) days.

If your firm is not already receiving email notification of new solicitations and amendments, you may register for email notification on the County's web site at <http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/purchasing>.