



REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR STANDING OFFER AGREEMENTS

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REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR STANDING OFFER AGREEMENT (RFA-SOA)

1. INTRODUCTION

The City of Surrey (the “City”) invites applicants to submit an application on the form attached as Schedule B (the “Application”) for the supply of the goods (if any) and services described in Schedule A (the “Goods and Services”). The description of the Goods and Services sets out the minimum requirements of the City. A person that submits an Application (the “Applicant”) should prepare an Application that meets the minimum requirements, and may as it may choose, in addition, also include goods, services or terms that exceed the minimum requirements.

2. NATURE OF A STANDING OFFER AGREEMENT

It is understood and agreed by the Applicant that should an Application be selected by the City, it will result in a standing offer agreement (“Standing Offer”) only and the Goods and Services will be ordered by the City solely on an “as and when required” basis. The aggregate value of the Goods and Services which may be ordered is conditional upon the needs of the City. No compensation will be accrued, owed or paid to any Applicant in the event that the Goods and Services are not ordered. If a Standing Offer is executed by the City, at the sole option of the City, the City may place an order (the “Order”) for Goods and Services specified in the Order and the Applicant agrees to provide those Goods and Services. The parties agree that the City may not place any orders for Goods and Services with the Applicant for the duration of the term of the Standing Offer. The parties agree that the City may purchase identical or similar Goods and Services from any other source.

3. ADDRESS FOR DELIVERY

The Application should be labelled with the Applicant’s name, RFA-SOA title and number. An Application should be submitted in the form attached to this RFA-SOA as Schedule B.

The Applicant should submit the Application electronically in a single pdf file and must be delivered to the City by email at: purchasing@surrey.ca

The City will confirm receipt of emails. Note that the maximum file size the City can receive is 10Mb. If sending large email attachments, Applicants should phone to confirm receipt. An Applicant bears all risk that the City’s computer equipment functions properly so that the City receives the Application.

4. DATE

The City would prefer to receive Applications on or before March 10, 2021 (the “Date”).

5. INQUIRIES

All inquiries related to this RFA-SOA should be directed in writing to the person named below (the “City Representative”). Information obtained from any person or source other than the City Representative may not be relied upon.

Name: Richard D. Oppelt, Manager, Procurement Services

E-mail: purchasing@surrey.ca

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6. ADDENDA

If the City determines that an amendment is required to this RFA-SOA, the City Representative will issue a written addendum by posting it on the BC Bid website at www.bcbid.gov.bc.ca (the "BC Bid Website") and the City website at www.surrey.ca (the "City Website") that will form part of this RFA-SOA. It is the responsibility of Applicants to check the BC Bid Website and the City Website for addenda. The only way this RFA-SOA may be added to, or amended in any way, is by a formal written addendum. No other communication, whether written or oral, from any person will affect or modify the terms of this RFA-SOA or may be relied upon by any Applicant. By delivery of an Application, Applicant is deemed to have received, accepted and understood the entire RFA-SOA including, any and all addenda.

7. NO CONTRACT

This RFA-SOA ("Request") is simply an invitation for Applications (including prices and terms) for the convenience of all parties. It is not a tender and no obligations of any kind will arise from this RFA-SOA or the submission of Applications. The City may negotiate changes to any terms of an Application, including terms in Attachment 1 – Agreement, Schedule A – Specifications of Goods and Scope of Services to Attachment 1 - Agreement and Schedule B – Application for a Standing Offer Agreement to Attachment 1 – Agreement of the RFA-SOA including prices, and may negotiate with one or more Applicants or may at any time invite or permit the submission of Applications (including prices and terms) from other parties who have not submitted an Application.

8. ACCEPTANCE

An Application will be an offer to the City which, subject to Section 7, the City may accept at any time by signing the copy of the Application and delivering it to the Applicant. An Application is not accepted by the City unless and until both the Authorized Signatory and the purchasing representative have signed on behalf of the City. Delivery of the signed Application by the City may be by fax or email. In that event, the resulting Standing Offer will be comprised of the documents included in the definition of Agreement in Attachment 1 - Agreement.

9. APPLICANT'S EXPENSES

Applicants are solely responsible for their own expenses in preparing and submitting an Application, and for any meetings, negotiations or discussions with the City or its representatives and consultants, relating to or arising from the Request. The City will not be liable to any Applicant for any claims, whether for costs, expenses, losses or damages, or loss of anticipated profits, incurred by the Applicant in preparing and submitting an Application, or participating in negotiations, or other activities relating to or arising out of this Request.

10. APPLICANT'S QUALIFICATIONS

By submitting an Application, an Applicant represents that it has the expertise, qualifications, resources, and relevant experience to supply the Goods and Services.

11. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

An Applicant must disclose in its Application any actual or potential conflicts of interest and existing business relationships it may have with the City, its elected or appointed officials or employees. The City may rely on such disclosure.

12. SOLICITATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS, CITY STAFF AND CITY CONTRACTORS

Applicants and their agents will not contact any member of the City Council, City staff or City consultants with respect to this Request, other than the City Representative named in Section 5 of this Request, at any time prior to the award of a Standing Offer or the cancellation of this Request.

13. CONFIDENTIALITY

All Applications become the property of the City and will not be returned to the Applicant. All Applications will be held in confidence by the City unless otherwise required by law. Applicants should be aware the City is a “public body” defined by and subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* of British Columbia.

14. SIGNATURE

The legal name of the person or firm submitting the Application should be inserted in the Application. The Application should be signed by a person authorized to sign on behalf of the Applicant as follows:

- (a) If the Applicant is a corporation then the full name of the corporation should be included, together with the names of authorized signatories. The Application should be executed by all of the authorized signatories or by one or more of them provided that a copy of the corporate resolution authorizing those persons to execute the Application on behalf of the corporation is submitted;
- (b) If the Applicant is a partnership or joint venture then the name of the partnership or joint venture and the name of each partner or joint venturer should be included, and each partner or joint venturer should sign personally (or, if one or more person(s) have signing authority for the partnership or joint venture, the partnership or joint venture should provide evidence to the satisfaction of the City that the person(s) signing have signing authority for the partnership or joint venture). If a partner or joint venturer is a corporation then such corporation should sign as indicated in subsection (a) above; or
- (c) If the Applicant is an individual, including a sole proprietorship, the name of the individual should be included.

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ATTACHMENT 1 – STANDING OFFER AGREEMENT – GOODS AND SERVICES

AGREEMENT No.: 1220-060-2020-001

BETWEEN:

CITY OF SURREY
13450 - 104 Avenue
Surrey, B.C., V3T 1V8, Canada
(the “City”)

AND:

(Insert Full Legal Name and Address of Applicant)

(the “Contractor”)

WHEREAS the City wishes to engage the Contractor to provide Goods and Services in connection with

Landscape Installation, Finishing and Maintenance Works

THEREFORE in consideration of the payment of one (\$1.00) dollar and other good and valuable consideration paid by each of the parties to the other (the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged) the City and the Contractor agree as follows:

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1. In this Agreement the following definitions apply:
 - (a) “Agreement” means this agreement and all schedules attached hereto;
 - (b) “Application” means the application for a Standing Offer attached as Schedule B, to Attachment 1;
 - (c) “City” means the City of Surrey;
 - (d) “Contractor” means a person whose Application has been accepted by the City and who may provide the Goods and/or Services under this Agreement;
 - (e) “Disbursements” means the actual out-of-pocket costs and expenses which the Contractor incurs in the performance of the Services as identified in the Application and reimbursement of which is accepted by the City;
 - (f) “Fees” means the price quoted by the Contractor and accepted by the City for the provision of the Goods and/or Services, unless otherwise agreed by the parties in writing, and includes all taxes except PST and GST, as applicable;
 - (g) “Goods” means any portion of the equipment or materials (if any) as described generally in Schedule A, to Attachment 1, that the City requests that the Contractor provide;
 - (h) “Order” means a written order executed by the City for specified Goods and/or Services;
 - (i) “Request” means the request for Applications for Standing Offers;
 - (j) “Services” means any portion of the services as described generally in Schedule A, to Attachment 1, that the City requests that the Contractor provide, including anything and everything required to be done for the fulfilment and completion of the services in accordance with this Agreement;

- (k) "Standing Offer" means a standing offer agreement between the City and the Contractor, the nature of which is discussed in Section 3; and
 - (l) "Term" has the meaning described in Section 9.
2. This Agreement consists of all of the documents listed below and may be modified only by express and specific written agreement. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of any documents listed below, then the documents shall govern and take precedence in the following order:
- (a) this Standing Offer Agreement;
 - (b) the specifications of Goods and scope of Services set out in Schedule A, to Attachment 1, of the Request;
 - (c) the Application;
 - (d) the Request;
 - (e) Addendum, if any; and
 - (f) other terms, if any, that are agreed to by the parties in writing.

NATURE OF AGREEMENT

3. It is understood and agreed by the Contractor that should an Application be selected by the City, it will result in a standing offer agreement ("Standing Offer") only and the Goods and Services will be ordered by the City solely on an "as and when required" basis. The aggregate value of the Goods and Services which may be ordered is conditional upon the needs of the City. No compensation will be accrued, owed or paid to any Contractor in the event that the Goods and Services are not ordered. If a Standing Offer is executed by the City, at the sole option of the City, the City may place an order (the "Order") for Goods and Services specified in the Order and the Contractor agrees to provide those Goods and Services. The parties agree that the City may not place any orders for Goods and Services with the Contractor for the duration of the term of the Standing Offer. The parties agree that the City may purchase identical or similar Goods and Services from any other source.

GOODS AND SERVICES

4. The Contractor covenants and agrees that it will, if ordered by the City, perform the Services in accordance with this Agreement. The Goods and Services provided will meet the specifications set out in the Order, Schedule A, to Attachment 1, of the Request and as described in the Application.
5. The City may from time to time, by written notice to the Contractor make changes in the scope of Services. The Fees will be increased or decreased by written agreement of the City and the Contractor according to the rates set out in the Application.
6. The Contractor will, if required in writing by the City, provide additional goods or services as may be listed in the Application. The terms of this Agreement will apply to any additional goods or services, and the fees for additional goods or services will generally correspond to the fees as described in the Application. The Contractor will not provide any additional goods or services in excess of the Goods and Services ordered in writing by the City.
7. The Contractor will perform the Services with that degree of care, skill and diligence normally provided by a qualified and experienced practitioner performing services similar to the Services, and on the understanding that the City is relying on the Contractor's experience and expertise. The Contractor represents that it has the expertise, qualifications, resources, and relevant experience to supply the Goods and Services.

8. The Contractor will deliver the Goods free and clear of all liens and encumbrances in the manner and to the destination stipulated. In the event of the Contractor's failure to meet this condition, the Contractor will, on written notice from the City, forthwith return all monies paid by the City on account of the Goods and in addition the City may by written notice terminate this Agreement without liability, and in such event, in addition to the above, the Contractor will be liable for any and all expenses or losses incurred by the City resulting from such failure.

8.1 Pandemic Restrictions

The parties acknowledge that this Agreement has been entered into during the on-going COVID-19 pandemic (the "Pandemic"). The Contractor advises that it is able to proceed with the Services under the Pandemic conditions and restrictions (collectively the "Pandemic Restrictions") as they exist as of the date of this Agreement. The parties acknowledge that Pandemic Conditions may change so as to cause unavoidable interruptions or interference to the Contractor's performance of the Services. The parties confirm:

- (a) notwithstanding the known existence of the Pandemic, Section 8.1 will apply to new Pandemic Restrictions, which arise after the date of this Agreement, whether anticipated or not, which reasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance of the Services, such that upon the Contractor giving required notice shall be entitled to an extension of the time to perform the Services, but shall not be entitled to reimbursement of any costs;
- (b) notwithstanding any such new Pandemic Restrictions, the Agreement will remain valid and in force, subject to the terms of the Agreement including, without limitation para 55 to 61 (WCB and Occupational Health and Safety); and
- (c) if new Pandemic Restrictions occur that cause or threaten interruption of the Services the Contractor will give the City immediate notice, and a written plan of the interim steps the Contractor will take, if any, during the interruption of the Services, and when Pandemic Restrictions permit, provide the City with a written plan for the resumption of the Services.

TERM

9. This term of this Agreement will commence on [START DATE] and terminate [END DATE] (the "Term").
10. The City may at any time prior to thirty (30) days before the end of the Term, by written notice to the Contractor, extend the Term for a period of time not to exceed four (4) additional one (1) year periods. If the City elects to extend the Term, the provisions of this Agreement will remain in force, including the Fees, except where amended in writing by the parties.

TIME

11. Time is of the essence.

FEES AND DISBURSEMENTS

12. The City will pay the Fees and Disbursements to the Contractor for the ordered Goods and Services in accordance with this Agreement. Payment by the City of the Fees and Disbursements will be full payment for the Goods and Services and the Contractor will not be entitled to receive any additional payment from the City.
13. For greater certainty, costs of general management, non-technical supporting services and general overhead are deemed to be covered by the Fees and will not be subject to additional payment by the City. The Fees shall also include without limitation all costs of boxing, packing, crating, and loading and unloading the Goods at the prescribed destination.

PAYMENT

14. Subject to any contrary provisions set out in Schedule B to Attachment 1, the Contractor will submit invoice to the City requesting payment of the portion of the Fees relating to the Goods and Services provided. Invoices must include the Contractor's name, address and telephone number, the City's purchase order number **P.O. #_____**, the Contractor's invoice number, the names, charge-out rates and number of hours worked of all employees of the Contractor that have performed Services; the percentage of Services completed and Goods delivered; the total budget for the Goods and Services and the amount of the budget expended to the date of the invoice; taxes (if any); and grand total of the invoice.
15. If the City reasonably determines that any portion of an invoice is not payable, then the City will so advise the Contractor.
16. The City will pay the portion of an invoice which the City determines is payable within 30 days of the receipt of the Invoice, except the City may hold back from payments 10% of the amount the City determines is payable to the Contractor until such time as the Contractor provides its final report to the City; and
17. If the Contractor offers the City a cash discount for early payment, then the City may, at the City's sole discretion, pay the portion of an Invoice which the City determines is payable at any time after receipt of the Invoice.
18. In an effort to support sustainability, reduce risk and improve customer service, the City has introduced an electronic fund transfer (EFT) option for Contractors. Electing to participate in this program will allow Contractors to receive their payments directly into their bank accounts, reducing risk of fraud and improving the timeliness of their payment receipt.
19. To receive your payments electronically, fax your request on company letterhead to 604-591-4488. You may contact us at 604-592-7010 (Accounts Payable General Inquiries) for more information.

SUBMITTING YOUR ELECTRONIC INVOICE

Please send electronic invoices to the City of Surrey by email to surreyinvoices@surrey.ca

In order to process your payment, the following submission guidelines must be met:

- Invoice(s) must be sent as attachments.

- Attachment(s) must be in PDF format.
- PDF attachment(s) must be named: <Company name>_<Invoice Number> include name of Department Representative invoice is directed to.
- Include Purchase Order number _____.
- Email(s) must not exceed 2MB.

Please Note: failure to meet the guidelines above may result in payment processing delays or in your payment not being processed.

20. Unless otherwise provided, all dollar amounts referred to in this Agreement are in lawful money of Canada.
21. If the Contractor is a non-resident of Canada and does not provide to the City a waiver of regulation letter, the City will withhold and remit to the appropriate governmental authority the greater of:
 - (a) 15% of each payment due to the Contractor; or
 - (b) the amount required under applicable tax legislation.

USE OF WORK PRODUCT

22. The Contractor hereby sells, assigns and transfers to the City the right, title and interest required for the City to use and receive the benefit of all the reports, drawings, plans, designs, models, specifications, computer software, concepts, products, designs or processes or other such work product produced by or resulting from the Services rendered by the Contractor. This section does not give the City the right to sell any such work product to any third party and the City may sell the work product only with the prior approval of the Contractor. The Contractor may retain copies of the work product.

PERSONNEL AND SUBCONTRACTORS

23. The Contractor will provide only personnel who have the qualifications, experience and capabilities to perform the Services.
24. The Contractor will perform the Services using the personnel and sub-contractors as may be listed in the Application and the Contractor will not remove any such listed personnel or sub-contractors from the Services without the prior written approval of the City.
25. If the City reasonably objects to the performance, qualifications, experience or suitability of any of the Contractor's personnel or sub-contractors then the Contractor will, on written request from the City, replace such personnel or sub-contractors.

The City may, at its sole discretion request the Contractor to reprimand, or remove any one of the Contractor's employees or sub-contractors for any one or more of the following reasons and the Contractor is to promptly comply with such requests:

- Unfit to work;
- Intoxication;
- Use of foul, profane, vulgar or obscene language or gestures;
- Disrupting work or workers;
- Solicitation of gratuities from any person for services performed;
- Willful, negligent or reckless action in disregard of safety or sanitary requirements;
- Any action that the City may determine constitutes a public nuisance or disorderly conduct; and
- Any other reason considered appropriate, at the sole discretion of the City

26. Except as provided for in Section 24, the Contractor will not engage any personnel or sub-contractors, or sub-contract or assign its obligations under this Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written approval of the City.

LIMITED AUTHORITY

27. The Contractor is not and this Agreement does not render the Contractor an agent or employee of the City, and without limiting the above, the Contractor does not have authority to enter into any contract or reach any agreement on behalf of the City, except for the limited purposes as may be expressly set out in this Agreement, or as necessary in order to provide the Goods and Services. The Contractor will make such lack of authority clear to all persons with whom the Contractor deals in the course of providing the Goods and Services. Every vehicle used by the Contractor in the course of providing the Goods and Services shall identify the Contractor by name and telephone number.
28. The Contractor is an independent contractor. This Agreement does not create the relationship of employer and employee, a partnership, or a joint venture. The City will not control or direct the details, means or process by which the Contractor performs the Goods and Services. The Contractor will determine the number of days and hours of work required to properly and completely perform the Goods and Services. The Contractor is primarily responsible for performance of the Goods and Services and may not delegate or assign any Goods and Services to any other person except as provided for in the Order. The Contractor will be solely liable for the wages, fringe benefits, work schedules and work conditions of any partners, employees or sub-contractors.
29. The Contractor will preserve and protect the rights of the City with respect to any Goods provided and Services performed under sub-contract and incorporate the General Terms and Conditions of this Agreement into all sub-contracts as necessary to preserve the rights of the City under this Agreement. The Contractor will be as fully responsible to the City for acts and omissions of sub-contractors and of persons directly or indirectly employed by them as for acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the Contractor.

CONFIDENTIALITY AND DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

30. Except as provided for by law or otherwise by this Agreement, the Contractor will keep strictly confidential any information supplied to, obtained by, or which comes to the knowledge of the Contractor as a result of the performance of the Services and this Agreement, and will not, without the prior express written consent of the City, publish, release, disclose or permit to be disclosed any such information to any person or corporation, either before, during or after termination of this Agreement, except as reasonably required to complete the Services.
31. The Contractor acknowledges that the City is subject to the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* of British Columbia and agrees to any disclosure of information by the City required by law.
32. The Contractor agrees to return to the City all of the City's property at the completion of this Agreement, including any and all copies or originals of reports provided by the City.

WARRANTIES

33. The Contractor warrants that the Goods shall be free from defects in design, materials, workmanship and title, shall conform in all respects to the terms of this Agreement, shall be fit and suitable and perform satisfactorily for the purposes and under the conditions made known to the Contractor by the City or which were reasonably inferable. The Goods shall be at least equal to the higher of national standards or codes (such as, by way of illustration, CSA or ASTM), or standards and codes customarily applicable at the place where the City will use the Goods. The Goods shall be of the best quality, if no quality is specified. This general warranty is independent of and without prejudice to any specific warranty or service guarantee offered by the Contractor or third party manufacturer or supplier of the Goods in connection with the purpose for which the Goods were purchased. The Contractor shall assign to the City any warranty or service guarantee offered by a third party manufacturer or supplier of the Goods. Notwithstanding this assignment, if at any time up to one year from the date of delivery or installation (if applicable) the City determines the Goods or any part do not conform to these warranties, the City shall notify the Contractor within a reasonable time after such discovery, and the Contractor shall then promptly correct such nonconformity at the Contractor's expense. Goods used to correct a nonconformity shall be similarly warranted for one year from the date of installation. The Contractor's liability shall extend to all liabilities, losses, damages, claims and expenses incurred by the City caused by any breach of any of the above warranties.
34. The Contractor warrants and guarantees that Goods delivered under this Agreement do not infringe any valid patent, copyright or trademark, foreign or domestic, owned or controlled by any other corporation, firm or person, and agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City and all of its elected and appointed officials, officers, employees, servants, representatives and agents (collectively the "Indemnitees"), from and against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, suits, losses, damages and costs, liabilities, expenses and judgments (including all actual legal costs) by reason of any claim, action or litigation arising out of any alleged or actual infringement of any patent, copyright or trademark, foreign or domestic, relating to the Goods supplied under this Agreement.

INSURANCE AND DAMAGES

35. The Contractor will indemnify and save harmless the Indemnitees from and against all claims, demands, causes of action, suits, losses, damages and costs, liabilities, expenses and judgments (including all actual legal costs) for damage to or destruction or loss of property, including loss of use, and injury to or death of any person or persons which any of the Indemnitees incur, suffer or are put to arising out of or in connection with any failure, breach or non-performance by the Contractor of any obligation of this Agreement, or any wrongful or negligent act or omission of the Contractor or any employee or agent of the Contractor.
36. The indemnities described in this Agreement will survive the termination or completion of this Agreement and, notwithstanding such termination or completion, will continue in full force and effect for the benefit of the Indemnitees.
37. The Contractor will, without limiting its obligations or liabilities and at its own expense, provide and maintain throughout this Agreement the following insurances in forms and amounts acceptable to the City from insurers licensed to conduct business in Canada:
- (a) commercial general liability insurance on an occurrence basis, in an amount not less than five million (\$5,000,000) dollars inclusive per occurrence against death,

bodily injury and property damage arising directly or indirectly out of the work or operations of the Contractor, its employees and agents. The insurance will include cross liability and severability of interests such that the coverage shall apply in the same manner and to the same extent as though a separate policy had been issued to each insured. The insurance will include, but not be limited to: premises and operators liability, broad form products and completed operations, owners and Contractor protective liability, blanket contractual, employees as additional insureds, broad form property damage, non-owned automobile, contingent employers liability, broad form loss of use, personal injury, and incidental medical malpractice. The City will be added as additional insured;

- (b) automobile liability insurance on all vehicles owned, operated or licensed in the name of the Contractor in an amount not less than three million (\$3,000,000) dollars per occurrence for bodily injury, death and damage to property; and
 - (c) Contractor's equipment insurance in an all risks form covering construction machinery and equipment used for the performance of the Services.
38. The Contractor will provide the City with evidence of the required insurance prior to the commencement of this Agreement. Such evidence will be in the form of a completed certificate of insurance acceptable to the City. The Contractor will, on request from the City, provide certified copies of all of the Contractor's insurance policies providing coverage relating to the Services, including without limitation any professional liability insurance policies. All required insurance will be endorsed to provide the City with thirty (30) days advance written notice of cancellation or material change restricting coverage. To the extent the City has an insurable interest, the builder's risk policy will have the City as first loss payee. The Contractor will be responsible for deductible amounts under the insurance policies. All of the Contractor's insurance policies will be primary and not require the sharing of any loss by the City or any insurer of the City.
39. The Contractor acknowledges that any requirements of the City as to the amount of coverage under any policy of insurance will not constitute a representation by the City that the amount required is adequate and the Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Contractor is solely responsible for obtaining and maintaining policies of insurance in adequate amounts. The insurance policy coverage limits shall not be construed as relieving the Contractor from responsibility for any amounts which may exceed these limits, for which the Contractor may be legally liable.
40. The Contractor shall place and maintain, or cause any of its subcontractors to place and maintain, such other insurance or amendments to the foregoing policies as the City may reasonably direct.
41. The Contractor hereby waives all rights of recourse against the City for loss or damage to the Contractor's property.

CITY RESPONSIBILITIES

42. The City will, in co-operation with the Contractor, make efforts to make available to the Contractor information, surveys, and reports which the City has in its files and records that relate to the Goods and Services. The Contractor will review any such material upon which the Contractor intends to rely and take reasonable steps to determine if that information is complete or accurate. The Contractor will assume all risks that the information is complete and accurate and the Contractor will advise the City in writing if

in the Contractor's judgment the information is deficient or unreliable and undertake such new surveys and investigations as are necessary.

43. The City will in a timely manner make all decisions required under this Agreement, examine documents submitted by the Contractor and respond to all requests for approval made by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.
44. If the City observes or otherwise becomes aware of any fault or defect in the Goods or Services, it may notify the Contractor, but nothing in this Agreement will be interpreted as giving the City the obligation to inspect the Goods or review the Contractor's performance of the Services.

DEFICIENCIES

45. The City shall have a reasonable time to inspect and to accept the Goods. The City may reject any Goods not in accordance with this Agreement, whether due to damage resulting from improper packing, loading, unloading or otherwise. The City shall notify the Contractor of rejection of the Goods whereupon the Goods will be held subject to the disposition by the Contractor. Any costs or expenses incurred by the City as a result of the rejection of the Goods are, immediately upon written demand by the City, payable by the Contractor, and may be set off against any payments owing by the City to the Contractor.
46. The City may hold back from payments otherwise due to the Contractor up to 150% of a reasonable estimate, as determined by the City, on account of deficient or defective materials. This holdback may be held, without interest, until replacement Goods are received or such deficiency or defect is remedied.

DEFAULT AND TERMINATION

47. In the event the Contractor does not ship the Goods by the shipping date specified in this Agreement, or does not deliver the Goods by the delivery date specified in this Agreement, then:
 - (a) the City reserves the right to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, and in the event of such termination no payment will be owing by the City on account of this Agreement and the Contractor will be liable for any and all expenses or loss resulting from such failure or delay and will return all monies paid by the City; or
 - (b) if the City does not terminate this Agreement for late shipping or delivery, the City may deduct and setoff from any payments owing to the Contractor all additional costs the City reasonably incurs on account of the late shipping or delivery.
48. The City may by written notice at any time cancel this Agreement with respect to Goods which, as of the date of cancellation, have not been shipped.
49. The City may at any time and for any reason by written notice to the Contractor terminate this Agreement before the completion of all Services, such notice to be determined by the City at its sole discretion. Upon receipt of such notice, the Contractor will perform no further Services other than the work which is reasonably required to terminate the Services and return the City's property to the City. Despite any other provision of this Agreement, if the City terminates this Agreement before the completion of all the Services, the City will pay to the Contractor all amounts owing under this Agreement for Services provided by the Contractor up to and including the date of termination, plus reasonable termination costs in the amount as determined by the City in its sole discretion. Upon payment of such amounts no other or additional payment will be owed by the City to the

Contractor, and, for certainty, no amount will be owing on account of lost profits relating to the portion of the Services not performed or other profit opportunities.

50. The City may terminate this Agreement for cause as follows:
- (a) If the Contractor is adjudged bankrupt, or makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors because of its insolvency, or if a receiver is appointed because of its insolvency, the City may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the City may have, terminate this Agreement by giving the Contractor or receiver or trustee in bankruptcy written notice; or
 - (b) If the Contractor is in breach of any term or condition of this Agreement, and such breach is not remedied to the reasonable satisfaction of the City within 5 days after delivery of written notice from the City to the Contractor, then the City may, without prejudice to any other right or remedy the City may have, terminate this Agreement by giving the Contractor further written notice.
51. If the City terminates this Agreement as provided by this Section, then the City may:
- (c) enter into contracts, as it in its sole discretion sees fit, with other persons to complete the Services;
 - (d) withhold payment of any amount owing to the Contractor under this Agreement for the performance of the Services;
 - (e) set-off the total cost of completing the Services incurred by the City against any amounts owing to the Contractor under this Agreement, and at the completion of the Services pay to the Contractor any balance remaining; and
 - (f) if the total cost to complete the Services exceeds the amount owing to the Contractor, charge the Contractor the balance, which amount the Contractor will forthwith pay.
52. The City will not accept nor be responsible for any restocking charges for any Goods shipped to the City and then, for whatever reason, returned to the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor is to bear all costs including shipping and handling of returned Goods.

CURING DEFAULTS

53. If the Contractor is in default of any of its obligations under this Agreement, then the City may without terminating this Agreement, upon 5 days written notice to the Contractor, remedy the default and set-off all costs and expenses of such remedy against any amounts owing to the Contractor. Nothing in this Agreement will be interpreted or construed to mean that the City has any duty or obligation to remedy any default of the Contractor.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

54. The parties will make reasonable efforts to resolve any dispute, claim, or controversy arising out of this Agreement or related to this Agreement ("Dispute") using the dispute resolution procedures set out in this section.
- (a) Negotiation
The parties will make reasonable efforts to resolve any Dispute by amicable negotiations and will provide frank, candid and timely disclosure of all relevant facts, information and documents to facilitate negotiations.

(b) Mediation

If all or any portion of a Dispute cannot be resolved by good faith negotiations within 30 days, either party may by notice to the other party refer the matter to mediation. Within 7 days of delivery of the notice, the parties will mutually appoint a mediator. If the parties fail to agree on the appointment of the mediator, then either party may apply to the British Columbia International Commercial Arbitration Centre for appointment of a mediator. The parties will continue to negotiate in good faith to resolve the Dispute with the assistance of the mediator. The place of mediation will be Surrey, British Columbia. Each party will equally bear the costs of the mediator and other out-of-pocket costs, and each party will bear its own costs of participating in the mediation.

(c) Litigation

If within 90 days of the request for mediation the Dispute is not settled, or if the mediator advises that there is no reasonable possibility of the parties reaching a negotiated resolution, then either party may without further notice commence litigation.

WCB AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

55. The Contractor will, at its own expense, procure and carry full Workers' Compensation Board coverage for itself and all workers, employees, servants and others engaged in the supply of the Goods and Services. The City has the unfettered right to set off the amount of the unpaid premiums and assessments for the Workers' Compensation Board coverage against any monies owing by the City to the Contractor. The City will have the right to withhold payment under this Agreement until the Workers' Compensation Board premiums, assessments or penalties in respect of the Goods and Services have been paid in full.
56. The Contractor will provide the City with the Contractor's Workers' Compensation Board registration number and a letter from the Worker's Compensation Board confirming that the Contractor is registered in good standing with the Workers' Compensation Board.
57. The Contractor agrees that it is the prime contractor for the Services for the purposes of the *Workers Compensation Act*. The Contractor will have a safety program in place that meets the requirements of the Workers' Compensation Board Occupational Health and Safety Regulation and the *Workers Compensation Act*. As prime contractor, the Contractor will be responsible for appointing a qualified coordinator for insuring the health and safety activities for the location of the Services. That person will be the person so identified in this Agreement, and the Contractor will advise the City immediately in writing if the name or contact number of the qualified coordinator changes.
58. Without limiting the generality of any other indemnities granted by the Contractor in this Agreement, the Contractor will indemnify and save harmless the Indemnitees from and against all claims, demands, causes of action, suits, losses, damages, costs, liabilities, expenses, judgments, penalties and proceedings (including all actual legal costs) which any of the Indemnitees incur, suffer or are put to arising out of or in any way related to unpaid Workers' Compensation Board assessments owing from any person or corporation engaged in the performance of this Agreement or arising out of or in any way related to the failure to observe safety rules, regulations and practices of the Workers' Compensation Board, including penalties levied by the Workers' Compensation Board.

59. The Contractor will ensure compliance with and conform to all health and safety laws, by-laws or regulations of the Province of British Columbia, including without limitation the *Workers Compensation Act* and Regulations pursuant thereto.
60. The City may, on twenty-four (24) hours written notice to the Contractor, install devices or rectify any conditions creating an immediate hazard existing that would be likely to result in injury to any person. However, in no case will the City be responsible for ascertaining or discovering, through inspections or review of the operations of the Contractor or otherwise, any deficiency or immediate hazard.
61. The Applicant understands and undertakes to comply with all the Workers' Compensation Board Occupational Health and Safety Regulations for hazardous materials and substances, and in particular with the "Workplace Hazardous Materials Information Systems (WHMIS)" Regulations. All "Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS)" will be shipped along with the Goods and any future MSDS updates will be forwarded.

Refer to Schedule 1 – Contractor Health & Safety Expectations – Responsibility of Contractors for additional information.

Refer to Schedule 2 – Prime Contractor Designation - Letter of Understanding for additional information.

BUSINESS LICENSE

62. The Contractor will obtain and maintain throughout the term of this Agreement a valid City of Surrey business license.

GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR GOODS

63. Documentation for shipments of Goods from outside Canada will be provided by the Contractor by airmail and will include all documents as required by law or customary practice. All packages will be marked as follows:

"Upon arrival, please contact customs broker:
Livingston International Inc.
Telephone: 604-685-3555
Fax: 604-605-8231
Email: cst19@livingstonintl.com"

64. If this Agreement pertains to the fabrication, assembly or other processing of the Goods, representatives of the City will be permitted free access at all reasonable times for the purpose of inspection, testing or obtaining information as to the progress of the fabrication, assembly or processing.
65. The City may require that shop drawings be submitted by the Contractor for review prior to the delivery of the Goods. The City may require that a qualified registered professional engineer stamp and approve a shop drawing prior to submission. Any review of shop drawings by the City will not relieve the Contractor from its obligation to deliver Goods in full compliance with all requirements of this Agreement.

APPLICABLE LAWS, BUILDING CODES AND BY-LAWS

66. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia. The City and the Contractor accept the jurisdiction of the courts of British Columbia and agree that any action under this Agreement be brought in such courts.
67. The Contractor will provide Services in full compliance with all applicable laws, building codes and regulations.
68. The Contractor will, as a qualified and experienced practitioner, interpret applicable codes, laws and regulations applicable to the performance of the Services. If an authority having jurisdiction imposes an interpretation which the Contractor could not reasonably have verified or foreseen prior to entering into this Agreement, then the City will pay the additional costs, if any, of making alterations so as to conform to the required interpretation.

JURISDICTION OF COUNCIL AND NON-APPROPRIATION

69. Nothing in this Agreement limits or abrogates, or will be deemed to limit or abrogate, the jurisdiction of the Council of the City in the exercise of its powers, rights or obligations under any public or private statute, regulation or by-law or other enactment.
70. The Contractor recognizes and agrees that the City cannot make financial commitments beyond the City's current fiscal year. The City will annually make bonafide requests for appropriation of sufficient funds to cover all payments covered by this Agreement. If City Council does not appropriate funds, or appropriates insufficient funds, the City will notify the Contractor of its intention to terminate or reduce the services so affected within 30 days after the non-appropriation becomes final. Such termination shall take effect 30 days from the date of notification, shall not constitute an event of default and shall relieve the City, its officers and employees, from any responsibility or liability for the payment of any further amounts under this Agreement.

ENTIRE AGREEMENT

71. This Agreement, including the Schedules and any other documents expressly referred to in this Agreement as being a part of this Agreement, contains the entire Agreement of the parties regarding the provision of the Goods and Services and no understandings or agreements, oral or otherwise, exist between the parties except as expressly set out in this Agreement. This Agreement supersedes and cancels all previous agreements between the parties relating to the provision of the Goods and Services.

AMENDMENT

72. This Agreement may be amended only by agreement in writing, signed by both parties.

CONTRACTOR TERMS REJECTED

73. In the event that the Contractor issues an invoice, packing slip, sales receipt, or any like document to the City, the City accepts the document on the express condition that any terms and conditions in it which constitute terms and conditions which are in addition to or which establish conflicting terms and conditions to those set out in this Agreement are expressly rejected by the City.

SURVIVAL OF OBLIGATIONS

74. All of the Contractor's obligations to provide the Goods and perform the Services in a professional and proper manner will survive the termination or completion of this Agreement.

CUMULATIVE REMEDIES

75. The City's remedies under this Agreement are cumulative and in addition to any right or remedy which may be available to the City at law or in equity.

NOTICES

76. Any notice, report or other document that either party may be required or may wish to give to the other should be in writing, unless otherwise provided for, and will be deemed to be validly given to and received by the addressee, if delivered personally, on the date of such personal delivery, if delivered by facsimile, on transmission, or if by mail, five calendar days after posting. The addresses for delivery will be as follows:

(a) The City:

City of Surrey, Surrey City Hall
 insert department/division/section name>
13450 – 104 Avenue, Surrey, B.C., V3T 1V8, Canada,

Attention: **insert City contact name**>
 insert title>

Business Fax No.: **insert**>
Business Email: **insert**>

(b) The Contractor:

 insert name and address>

Attention: **insert City contact name**>
 insert title>

Business Fax No.: **insert**>
Business Email: **insert**>

UNENFORCEABILITY

77. If any provision of this Agreement is invalid or unenforceable, it will be severed from the agreement and will not affect the enforceability or validity of the remaining provisions of the Agreement.

HEADINGS

78. The headings in this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and will not form part of nor affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

SINGULAR, PLURAL AND GENDER

79. Wherever the singular, plural, masculine, feminine or neuter is used throughout this Agreement the same will be construed as meaning the singular, plural, masculine, feminine, neuter or body corporate where the context so requires.

WAIVER

80. No waiver by either party of any breach by the other party of any of its covenants, obligations and agreements will be a waiver of any subsequent breach or of any other covenant, obligation or agreement, nor will any forbearance to seek a remedy for any breach be a waiver of any rights and remedies with respect to such or any subsequent breach.

SIGNATURE

81. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts all of which when taken together will constitute one and the same Agreement, and one or more of the counterparts may be delivered by fax or PDF email transmission.

FUEL EMISSIONS DATA

82. As of January 1, 2013, the City requires contractors to report the quantity of fuel used to operate vehicles, equipment and machinery as part of the delivery of operating (non-capital) services defined as "Traditional Services" in the Carbon Neutral Workbook.v2 as part of the BC Climate Action Charter. Typical data to be submitted would include the following for each calendar year:
- Type of vehicle/vehicle class used to deliver the contracted services;
 - Type of fuel consumed by each vehicle class; and
 - Litres of fossil fuels consumed in relation to the service delivered under the contract.
83. Fuel consumption associated with the provision of these services must be provided to the City within thirty (30) days of the end of the calendar year or the termination of the contract, whichever is earlier. An excel-based Fuel Use Reporting template will be provided by the City. The most current version of the workbook is located on the Climate Action Toolkit website for your reference at <http://toolkit.bc.ca/carbon-neutral-government>

NON-ROAD DIESEL ENGINE EMISSION REGULATION

84. If you **own, operate, or hire** diesel powered equipment, Metro Vancouver's Non-Road Diesel Engine Emissions Regulation Bylaw No 1161, 2012 (the Bylaw) may impact your business. The Bylaw came into force on January 1, 2012 and requires owners or operators to register and label Tier 0 and Tier 1 non-road diesel engines that are 25 horsepower (19kW) or greater in order to operate within Metro Vancouver. Tier 0 engines must have **90 days** of registration purchased by **December 31, 2014** or the engine(s) will be **prohibited from ever operating** in Metro Vancouver. To be fully registered an owner/operator must:
- provide required information (machine/engine/company details),
 - pay fees, and
 - label machines with Metro Vancouver issued registration number.

85. Other important information:
- Non-road Tier 1 engines must be registered and pay fees to operate,
 - Failure to comply with the Bylaw may result in fines up to \$200,000, and
 - 80% of fees paid into the program can be recovered.
86. The City may, at its discretion, give preference to equipment that meets higher emission standards.
87. Contact Metro Vancouver staff at 604-451-6655, visit www.metrovancouver.org/nonroaddiesel or email nonroaddiesel@metrovancouver.org for more information about the Bylaw, the rebate program, and for assistance with the registration process.

ENUREMENT

88. This Agreement shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective successors and permitted assigns of the City and the Contractor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto, by their respective representatives duly authorized in that behalf, have caused this Agreement to be executed as of the date set out above written.

This Standing Offer Agreement is executed by the City of Surrey this ____ day of ____, 202_.

CITY OF SURREY

I/We have the authority to bind the City.

(Signature of Authorized Signatory)	(Signature of Authorized Signatory)
(Print Name and Position of Authorized Signatory)	(Print Name and Position of Authorized Signatory)

This Standing Offer Agreement is executed by the Contractor this ____ day of ____, 202_.

CONTRACTOR

I/We have the authority to bind the Contractor.

(Legal Name of Contractor)	
(Signature of Authorized Signatory)	(Signature of Authorized Signatory)
(Print Name and Position of Authorized Signatory)	(Print Name and Position of Authorized Signatory)

SCHEDULE A SPECIFICATIONS OF GOODS AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The City seeks interested and qualified Contractors to perform various landscape construction, renovation and maintenance works (“Services”), as directed by the City’s Parks Recreation & Culture Department, on an “as and when required” basis.
- 1.2 If the City selects any Contractor in relation to a particular work assignment, the City would contact the Contractor by telephone, email, or fax, specifying the time, place and other information relevant to the work assignment. The City may specify that the labour is needed for a day, a part of a day, or an hour for a given project, multiple projects, and/or for as long as the City may estimate. The City may contact the Contractor on short notice, particularly in emergency situations. In response, the Contractor may confirm its Standing Offer, together with the acceptability of the time, place and other work-specific information communicated by the City, by ***physical reporting to the work site ready to perform as specified by the City***, and as contemplated under this RFA-SOA and the Standing Offer.

Multiple Preferred Contractors

The City reserves the right and discretion to divide up the Goods and Services, either by scope, geographic area, or other basis as the City may decide, and to select one or more Contractors to perform a portion or portions of the Goods and Services as described in Schedule A. If the City exercises its discretion to divide up the Goods and Services, the City will do so reasonably having regard for the RFA-SOA and the basis of the Application.

In addition to any other provision of this RFA-SOA, Applications may be evaluated on the basis of advantages and disadvantages to the City that might result or be achieved from the City dividing up the Goods and Services and entering into one or more agreements with one or more Contractors.

2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor should provide everything needed to meet all the requirements of the landscape maintenance agreement including, without limitation, any and all labour, materials, plant, supplies, tools, equipment, by-laws, traffic control and transportation to faithfully perform and provide the Services.

- 2.1 The following is a general outline of the Services to be performed by the Contractor:
- (a) Grading and sub grade and site preparation for landscaping, drainage, pathways and various other works;
 - (b) topsoil supply and placement;
 - (c) spreading of topsoil;
 - (d) topsoil preparation for seeding and sodding;
 - (e) placement of sod and mulching;
 - (f) installation of seed mixes and mulches;
 - (g) planting of trees, shrubs and ground covers;
 - (h) excavation and earth moving;
 - (i) landscape maintenance (optional);
 - (j) installation of interlocking concrete pavers;
 - (k) site clean-up;

- (l) maintenance of completed work including grass cutting, trimming, fertilizing, weed control of turf areas and shrub beds;
- (m) initial maintenance of landscape materials;
- (n) brush cutting;
- (o) flaying; and
- (p) landscape equipment [i.e. tractors/backhoes, mini excavator, etc.].

2.2 The Services is on a wide variety of small to large-scale landscape renovation and/or construction projects. The actual services required will vary from project to project.

3. STANDARD OF WORK

3.1 Services will be in accordance with the current edition of the *BC Landscape Standards*, Parks Standard Construction Documents, as amended and applicable industry trade associations, all applicable Municipal, Provincial and National codes, by-laws, regulations and other applicable requirements.

3.2 The Contractor is to have a good working knowledge of these codes, by-laws, regulations and requirements, and for promptly and efficiently applying the correct interpretation of such during the course of performing all work for the City. Any and all changes to these codes, by-laws, regulations and requirements causing the City to be in potential breach of the same, must be brought to the City's immediate attention by the Contractor.

3.3 If, following performance of any of the Services, the City is of the opinion that such Services have not been performed to the standard required, the City will notify the Contractor. If, following discussions between the City and the Contractor, the City remains dissatisfied with the manner in which the Services were performed, the Contractor must re-perform the Services at its cost, and to the complete satisfaction of the City. The City shall have final authority and sole discretion as to the acceptability of the Services.

3.4 As deemed by the City, call backs for incomplete, unsatisfactory and/or guarantee work, shall be at the sole expense of the Contractor and to the complete satisfaction of the City. The City shall have final authority and sole discretion as to the acceptability.

4. REJECTED WORK

4.1 Work that is defective, whether the result of poor design, poor workmanship, use of defective materials or damage through carelessness or other acts, and whether incorporated in the work or not, which has been rejected by the City as failing to conform to the Contract will be removed promptly by the Contractor and replaced and re-executed promptly and properly at the Contractor's expense.

5. SERVICE COVERAGE

5.1 Unless otherwise advised, regular working hours and ordinary working days are **7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday**. No Services will be performed outside of regular working hours or on other than ordinary working days without the prior direction or approval of the City. For all scheduled Services, the Contractor will report punctually at the work site to perform the Services diligently and expeditiously for completion of the work in a timely manner.

- 5.2 Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the Contractor may be required to carry out Services outside of the regular working hours or ordinary working days without the prior approval of the City, where it is necessary in the interests of safety of the works or where the Services is required to protect property. In such circumstances the Contractor shall inform the City in writing of the circumstances as early as possible.
- 5.3 Callouts are unscheduled Services, used for emergencies, etc. The Contractor will respond to such callouts and be at the work site within 60 minutes from the time of the call is received by the Contractor.
- 5.4 If the Contractor wishes to carry out Services outside of the regular working hours or ordinary working days and approval is given by the City, but the reasons for working these hours are for the Contractor's benefit, then the hourly rate for such Services will be at the normal hourly rate.
- 5.5 Services hours paid under the Agreement shall be only for productive hours at the job site. Time spent for transportation of workers, material acquisition, handling and delivery, or for movement of Contractor owned or rental equipment is not chargeable directly but is overhead and the cost shall be included in the hourly rate for basic labour or equipment.
- 5.6 The Contractor will be expected to locate its own source of supply of materials, parts, and equipment required to carry out the Services under this Agreement and should make satisfactory arrangements for such to be available as required.

6. PROTECTION MEASURES

- 6.1 No vegetation should be removed by the Contractor unless specified or directed by the City.
- 6.2 The Contractor shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure that no damage is caused to any vegetation not required to be removed.
- 6.3 Access to any job site(s) through areas other than a road or paved areas specifically for that purpose is not permitted without the prior written approval of the City.
- 6.4 The Contractor is to take all reasonable precautions to prevent damage to any structure within or adjacent to the site of the work. The Contractor is to report any damage caused to the City, and in the case of private property, to the property owner and/or occupant.
- 6.5 Costs to rectify damage to structures arising from or in the course of the work will be charged to the Contractor.
- 6.6 Repairs to any damage caused by the Contractor to be completed within five (5) working days.

7. HEALTH, SAFETY AND PROTECTION

- 7.1 The Contractor should be responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Services. The Contractor should take every precaution to instruct personnel about and otherwise safeguard them against any possible injuries as well as other potential hazards within the parks.

- 7.2 Accident Reports: The Contractor should comply with all WorkSafeBC regulations and other regulatory agency requirements for record keeping and reporting of all accidents resulting in death, trauma, or occupational illness. The Contractor should provide a verbal report to the City within one hour of occurrence and a written follow-up report within 24 hours of the occurrence.
- 7.3 The Contractor should conform to all applicable Federal, Provincial and local laws, and to the requirements of this Agreement. In performing Services under this Agreement the Contractor should:
- (a) Take all reasonable steps and precautions to prevent accidents and to preserve the health and safety of Contractor's personnel performing or in any way coming into contact with the performance of this Agreement;
 - (b) Take all reasonable precautions to prevent the release of hazardous chemicals into the environment;
 - (c) Take such additional precautions as the City may reasonably require for health, safety and environmental protection; and
 - (d) Any violation of these health, safety and environmental rules and regulations, unless promptly corrected as directed by the City should be grounds for termination of this Agreement in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
- 7.4 It is the responsibility of the Contractor to address all work hazards that could be reasonably expected on any job site(s) and to develop both training and written policy and procedures, where necessary, for the protection of the workers and the general public.
- 7.5 It is the responsibility of the Contractor to monitor compliance and where necessary correct and/or discipline workers.

8. CONTRACTOR'S VEHICLES and EQUIPMENT

- 8.1 The Contractor's vehicles and equipment used in the performance of the Services should be properly equipped to deliver the Services. All vehicles and equipment should be kept clean, in good mechanical condition, painted to present a neat appearance, show evidence of annual safety inspections and display proper registration and license information.
- 8.2 All of the Contractor's vehicles and equipment used in the performance of the Services should be identified on both sides with the full company name, telephone number and ID/ unit number. This must be fully legible and displayed in a professional manner. The Contractor may also be required to display magnetic signs as supplied by the City, identifying the Contractor as a City Contractor. This should not replace the company identification on the sides of vehicles and equipment.
- 8.3 All of the Contractor's vehicles and equipment should be equipped with approved back-up alarms, multiple lite revolving / strobe lights, or other necessary warning systems, which should be maintained and in proper operating condition at all times. In the event of a breakdown, the Contractor should arrange for reserve equipment, with always the intent to maintain the schedule frequency.

8.4 Driving speed through City parks will be at a maximum of 10 km/ hour, and the Contractor's vehicles must keep to paved pathways and roads throughout the park to avoid damage to City parkland and park assets. Amber lights on each vehicle must be used during the course of business in City parks.

8.5 A list of vehicles used for all Services must be submitted to the City, providing the make, model, colour, unit number and license plate number. As additional vehicles are added for any Services, the City must be provided with the updated information.

9. CLEANLINESS AND DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED MATERIALS

9.1 The Contractor is responsible for the cleanliness of any and all job sites and accountable for the disposal of all excess and scrap materials. The job sites, at all times must be kept clean of any debris to avoid mishaps and all unwanted materials must be disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner at approved sites with no extra expense to the City.

10. INCLEMENT WEATHER

10.1 While the Services are to be continuous, the City reserves the right to suspend any or all work due to poor weather conditions. The City reserves the right to authorize the delayed work to be performed at a later date, or the City may deem it more appropriate to omit the delayed work and resume the normal schedule. The Contractor should not perform any suspended work without written authorization from the City.

10.2 While work is suspended due to inclement weather conditions, the Contractor should maintain readiness to resume work when conditions again become favorable enough to proceed.

10.3 If the Contractor deems work cannot be completed as per the weekly schedule due to inclement weather, the Contractor should contact the City within 24 (twenty-four) hours and provide an alternative work plan for approval.

11. CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

11.1 The Contractor should demonstrate to the City's satisfaction that they meet the following requirements:

- (a) a thorough knowledge of the City's Parks Construction Standards and tree preservation by-law;
- (b) a horticultural degree/diploma or horticultural trades qualification is preferable;
- (c) minimum of five (5) years of experience in landscape construction and site preparations.

11.2 The Contractor is to provide only qualified personnel that are fully trained and experienced in performing the work requested in accordance with good industry practice. All work shall be performed in a professional manner and in accordance with good trade practice, and must be continually acceptable to the City.

- (a) The Contractor should provide Equipment Operators with a minimum of three (3) years of operating experience and a demonstrated competence in the safe and

efficient operation of specific pieces of landscape equipment. Completion of a certified equipment operator training program is preferable; and

- (b) The Contractor should provide General Labourers who are physically and safely able to perform the duties and tasks typically required of a general labourer.

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SCHEDULE 1
CONTRACTOR HEALTH & SAFETY EXPECTATIONS
RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR(S)

The City of Surrey strives to maintain a safe work environment for employees and contractors and insists upon the enforcement of safe practices and procedures in all premises and in all work activities. It is essential that all contractors and their employees and sub-contractor(s) perform in the same manner. It is every employers and contractors' responsibility to ensure that staff and public are protected from workplace hazards.

As a contractor to the City of Surrey, you are expected to conform to the requirements of the Workers' Compensation Act, the WCB Occupational Health and Safety Regulation and to all federal, provincial and local laws and regulations. The City of Surrey Building Owner, Project Manager, and the Manager, Occupational Health & Safety or designate have the authority to order an unsafe act to cease or to have an unsafe piece of equipment removed from the premises or, in extreme situations, to shut down a job entirely. Any City of Surrey Employee that observes a safety infraction by a contractor performing work for the City of Surrey should bring it to the attention of a manager immediately or Occupational Health & Safety (604-591-4131).

The following information is provided as typical City of Surrey requirements but does not relieve the contractor from complying with all applicable local, provincial and federal laws, regulations and bylaws.

PERSONNEL

1. You are expected to inform your employees of any potential hazard in the workplace and advise of appropriate action to be taken should a hazard be found, or a fire or accident occur.
2. Contractors will restrict persons invited on the premises to employees only. No families or friends are permitted.
3. The contractor will advise the City of any on-site accidents involving the contractor's employees, or injuries to others caused by the contractor's business.

SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

1. Contractors will ensure their employees utilize proper safety equipment and clothing as required for job site activities.
2. Contractors must follow and have on site proper written safe work procedures for hazardous work, e.g., Fall protection, confined space entry, hotwork, lockout, excavations and shoring, traffic management, etc.
3. Contractor must Identify workplace risk and implement suitable controls.
4. Contractor must provide safety training and education to staff and have training records available for review.
5. Contractor must have a health & safety program for its workers and sub-contractors.
6. Contractor will provide appropriate First-Aid coverage for their workers and subcontractors.
7. Contractor must forward a weekly work task list prior to work commencement.
8. The qualified safety coordinator must participate in the City of Surrey OHS Orientation or attend the Prime Contractor's Orientation.

WORK AREAS –City Facilities

No work by contractors shall occur in any area without prior consent of the City of Surrey Manager, Civic Facilities or his designated representative. Work during normal business hours of the City shall not create undue noise, smells or otherwise unduly disturb the work of City of Surrey staff or the public. If an activity requires that a disturbance is likely, the contractor shall whenever possible only do that work outside normal business hours.

All activities that create a hazard (i.e., work from a ladder, removal of a floor tile, emission of VOC's, etc.) to persons outside the contractor's supervision shall have warning devices, delineation or barriers, sealed spaces, etc. as would normally be required to protect any person from that hazard.

SAFETY ATTITUDE

Your safety record and attitude are important criteria used to judge your qualification for future bidding on solicitations with the City of Surrey.

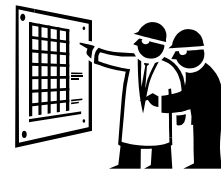
You can help ensure employee safety and your eligibility for future business with the City if you exhibit and practice a "Safe Work - Safe City" attitude.

The City of Surrey is concerned about the health, safety and wellbeing of all employees and contractors. It is essential we maintain a healthy, safe and productive work environment.

All Employees & Contractors:

It is everyone responsibility to:

- ❖ know and comply with WCB regulations
- ❖ follow established safe work procedures
- ❖ immediately report any work related injury to his/her supervisor; and to the city representative
- ❖ not remain on the work site while his/her ability to work is in any way impaired
- ❖ report unsafe acts and conditions to their supervisor
- ❖ correct unsafe conditions immediately whenever it is possible to do so
- ❖ take reasonable care to protect your health & safety and the health and safety of other persons who may be affected by your act's or omissions at work



An employee must refuse to work if continuing to do so would endanger the health and safety of the employee, fellow employees or others. The worker must immediately report the circumstances of the unsafe condition to his or her supervisor or manager. If the unsafe condition is not remedied or the issue is not resolved the Manager, Occupational Health & Safety must be contacted.

A common sense approach usually resolves the issue.

GENERAL RULES

1. For all secured worksites, contracted workers are required to sign in and sign out each day
2. (Access cards may be issued – a worker may need to provide an Identification document (i.e. Driver's License) in exchange).
3. Personal protective equipment, as determined by the City, through consultation with the Contractors Health and Safety Representatives must be worn when and where required. (Hard Hats, Safety Footwear, Safety Vests and Safety Glasses must be worn on active construction sites. Hearing Protection must be worn when noise levels are above 85dBA.)
4. Horseplay, gambling and the use of alcohol or narcotics will not be tolerated.

5. No Smoking in parks.
6. Report **ALL** injuries to your supervisor immediately and notify the City's site representative.
7. Report any unsafe conditions, including someone under the influence or hazards, which may allow an injury to occur to you, a fellow worker, or others on the worksite.
8. Report any property damage, regardless of how minor.
9. Restricted and controlled products will be labeled, used and stored in accordance with the associated regulations, e.g. WHMIS. Follow all procedural instructions when using or handling hazardous materials/controlled products and ensure that all containers of hazardous/controlled product materials are properly labelled and stored in designated areas.
10. Obey all posted signs and notices. Do not venture into areas that you are not authorized to enter.
11. Always use the correct posture when lifting and get assistance if the weight is excessive.
12. Do not work within the limits of approach to high voltage equipment.
13. If working at heights greater than 10 feet a Fall Protection system must be in place. The appropriate Fall Protection equipment must be worn at all times.
14. **Housekeeping** (Orderliness and good housekeeping are basic requirements and must be maintained at all times):
 - a) Aisles are to be kept clear at all times.
 - b) Individual work areas are to be kept clean and tidy.
 - c) All materials, tools, products and equipment are to be kept in their designated areas.
 - d) Liquid spills are to be cleaned up immediately to prevent slips and falls.
 - e) Accumulation of oily rags, combustible refuse or similar fire hazards will not be tolerated.
15. **Fire Prevention:**
 - a) Become familiar with Surroundings and emergency exit.
 - b) Ensure aisles and exits are not blocked at any time.
 - c) Anytime a fire extinguisher is used, report it immediately to your supervisor, so that it can be recharged.
16. **Equipment Operation** (Any equipment, which could create a hazard, must be maintained in good condition):
 - a) Equipment must not be repaired, adjusted or operated unless by a "competent person" who understand the safe operating procedures.
 - b) Always be aware of the use and location of the "EMERGENCY STOP" button, if equipment is so equipped, before using the equipment.
 - c) Loose clothing, jewelry and long hair must be secured to prevent becoming entangled with equipment.
 - d) The Operator must check all safety devices on equipment before operation.
 - e) All equipment must be turned off and the appropriate "lock-out" procedure followed, prior to repairs, cleaning, adjustment or lubrication.
 - f) Radio/Walkman/I-pod Head phones are not allowed to be worn during regular work operations.
 - g) All ladders must be of an approved type and length. Unacceptable ladders must be removed immediately from the premises.

- h) All vehicles and equipment on City property must be kept in safe mechanical condition at all times, and be operated only by persons with a valid driver's license and/or proper training and qualifications.
 - i) Contractors will not operate any equipment, valves, switches, etc., which are part of the City's operation, unless specific permission is received from the Department Representative.
17. **Ground Disturbance** –Every time you dig in the ground, with a shovel or mechanized equipment, you run the risk of loss of life or damage to property if you hit any of the many buried cables, conduits, gas or oil pipelines and/or other underground facilities that serve our city, **BC One Call Must be called and a ticket obtained prior to commencing any ground disturbance activities.**

Issued By:	Occupational Health & Safety Section - Contractor Coordination Program
Date:	Revised: January 14, 2014 Original: August 15, 2014
Distributed:	Via Email & Posted on Intranet: January 16, 2015 : <u>August 15, 2014</u>

This document does not replace the Workers' Compensation Act or WorkSafeBC OH&S regulation. Each individual Contractor must have specific health and safety safe work rules and procedures that apply to their work tasks. Each Contractor must comply with the Workers' Compensation Act and WorkSafeBC Occupational Health & Safety Regulation and to all federal, provincial and local laws and regulations. If a contractor is unable to comply they must bring this to the attention of their qualified safety representative and to the Prime Contractor safety representative immediately.

Authorized Signature: _____

Name: _____
(Please Print)

Date: _____

**SCHEDULE 2
PRIME CONTRACTOR DESIGNATION
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING**

As per the requirements of the *Workers' Compensation Act* Part 3, Division 3, Section 118 (1-3), which states:

Coordination of multiple-employer workplaces

118 (1) *In this section:*

"multiple-employer workplace" means a workplace where workers of 2 or more employers are working at the same time:

"prime contractor" means, in relation to a multiple-employer workplace,

- (a) the directing contractor, employer or other person who enters into a written agreement with the owner of that workplace to be the prime contractor for the purposes of this Part, or
 - (b) if there is no agreement referred to in paragraph (a), the owner of the workplace.
- (2) The prime contractor of a multiple-employer workplace must
- (a) ensure that the activities of employers, workers and other persons at the workplace relating to occupational health and safety are coordinated, and
 - (b) do everything that is reasonably practicable to establish and maintain a system or process that will ensure compliance with this Part and the regulation in respect to the workplace.
- (3) Each employer of workers at a multiple-employer workplace must give to the prime contractor the name of the person the employer has designated to supervise the employer's workers at that workplace.

By signing this Agreement, the Contractor accepts all responsibilities of a prime contractor as outlined in the *Workers' Compensation Act*, and *WorkSafeBC OH&S Regulation*.

As a Contractor signing this Prime Contractor Designation form with the City of Surrey (the "owner"), you are agreeing that your company, management staff, supervisory staff and workers will comply with the *Workers' Compensation Board (WCB) Occupational Health and Safety Regulation* and the *Workers' Compensation (WC) Act*.

Any *WorkSafeBC OH&S* violation by the prime contractor may be considered a breach of contract resulting in possible termination or suspension of the agreement and/or any other actions deemed appropriate at the discretion of the City.

Any penalties, sanctions or additional costs levied against the City, as a result of the actions of the prime contractor are the responsibility of the prime contractor.

The Contractor acknowledges having read and understood the information above.

By signing this Prime Contractor Designation form, the Contractor agrees as a representative of the firm noted below, to accept all responsibilities of the prime contractor for this project.

The Contractor understands and accepts the responsibilities of the prime contractor designation in accordance with the *Workers' Compensation Act* while contracted by the City of Surrey for project and will abide by all *Workers' Compensation Board Regulation* requirements.

Project File No.: 1220-060-2021-001

Project Title and Site Location: Landscape Installation, Finishing and Maintenance Works

Prime Contractor Name: _____

Prime Contractor Address: _____

Business Telephone/Business Fax Numbers: Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of Person in Charge of Project: _____

Name of Person Responsible for Coordinating Health & Safety Activities: _____

Phone: _____

Prime Contractor Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please return a signed copy of this memo to the City of Surrey, Finance Department, Procurement Services, 13450 – 104 Avenue, Surrey, British Columbia, V3T 1V8

If you have any questions, please contact the City of Surrey, Manager Occupational Health & Safety at 604-591-4658



**SCHEDULE B
APPLICATION FOR A
STANDING OFFER AGREEMENT**

Request For Standing Offer Title: Landscape Installation, Finishing and Maintenance Works

Request For Standing Offer No.: 1220-060-2021-001

APPLICANT

Legal Name: _____

Contact Person and Title: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Telephone: _____

Business Fax: _____

Business E-Mail Address: _____

CITY OF SURREY

City Representative: Richard D. Oppelt, Manager, Procurement Services

Address: City of Surrey, Surrey City Hall

E-mail for PDF Files: purchasing@surrey.ca

1. It is understood and agreed by the Applicant that should an Application be selected by the City, it will result in a standing offer agreement (“Standing Offer”) only and the Goods and Services will be ordered by the City solely on an “as and when required” basis. The aggregate value of the Goods and Services which may be ordered is conditional upon the needs of the City. No compensation will be accrued, owed or paid to any Applicant in the event that the Goods and Services are not ordered. If a Standing Offer is executed by the City, at the sole option of the City, the City may place an order (the “Order”) for Goods and Services specified in the Order and the Applicant agrees to provide those Goods and Services. The parties agree that the City may not place any orders for Goods and Services with the Applicant for the duration of the term of the Standing Offer. The parties agree that the City may purchase identical or similar Goods and Services from any other source.
2. If this offer is accepted by the City, such offer and acceptance will create a Standing Offer as described in:

- (a) the Request;
 - (b) the specifications of Goods and scope of Services set out above and in Schedule A, to Attachment 1, of the Request;
 - (c) the Standing Offer Agreement;
 - (d) this Application;
 - (e) an Order (if any); and
 - (f) other terms, if any, that are agreed to by the parties in writing.
3. Capitalized terms used and not defined in this Application will have the meanings given to them in the Standing Offer. Except as specifically modified by this Application, all terms, conditions, representations, warranties and covenants as set out in the Standing Offer will remain in full force and effect.
4. The Applicant offers to supply to the City of Surrey the Goods and Services for the prices plus applicable taxes as follows:

Freight Prepaid Payment Terms: A cash discount of ____% will be allowed if invoices are paid within ____ days, or the ____ day of the month following, or net 30 days, on a best effort basis.			CURRENCY: Canadian		
Item #	Item Name				
The Contractor will provide all labour, plant, materials, tools and equipment necessary for Landscaping and Site Finishing:					
Regular Labour and Equipment Rates:			Weekly	Daily	Hourly
1	Gardener / Landscape Tradesperson		\$	\$	\$
2	Equipment Operator		\$	\$	\$
3	General Labour		\$	\$	\$
After Hours and Emergency Labour Rates within Normal Business Hours					Hourly
4	Gardener / Landscape Tradesperson				\$
5	Equipment Operator				\$
6	General Labour				\$
Equipment Rates (Including Operator)			Weekly	Daily	Hourly
7	Equipment: _____ State size _____ and make _____		\$	\$	\$
8	Equipment: _____ State size _____ and make _____		\$	\$	\$
9	Equipment: _____ State size _____ and make _____		\$	\$	\$
10	Equipment: _____ State size _____ and make _____		\$	\$	\$
11	Equipment: _____ State size _____ and make _____		\$	\$	\$

Note: Overheads including but not limited to permits, licenses, drawings, mileage, truck charges, fuel costs and surcharges, parts, transportation, environmental protection and safety measures, sub-contractors, mobilization, demobilization and traffic control, site clean-up and disposal of debris, General Conditions and Profit are to be included in the above amounts.

5. In addition to the warranties provided in the Standing Offer this offer includes the following warranties (use the spaces provided and/or attach additional pages, if necessary):

Experience, Reputation and Resources:

6. **Experience and Qualifications:** Applicant should provide relevant experience and qualifications in delivering Goods and Services similar to those required by the RFA/SOA (use the spaces provided and/or attach additional pages, if necessary):

Note: Applications should include definitive information regarding the experience and qualifications. The Applicant may be required, before the award of any contract, to show, to the complete satisfaction of the City, that it has the necessary facilities, ability, experience, and financial resources to provide the Goods and Services specified herein in a satisfactory manner.

7. **References:** Applicant's references (name and telephone number). The City's preference is to have a minimum of three references;

8. **Key Personnel:** Applicant should provide information on the background and experience of all key personnel proposed to provide the Goods and Services (use the spaces provided and/or attach additional pages, if necessary):

Key Personnel

Name: _____

Experience: _____

Dates: _____

Project Name: _____

Responsibility: _____

9. Applicants should provide the following information on the background and experience of all sub-contractors proposed to undertake a portion of the Goods and Services (use the spaces provided and/or attach additional pages, if necessary):

Description of Goods and Services	Sub-Contractors Name	Years of Working with Applicant	Telephone Number and Email

Technical Criteria:

10. **Sustainability Initiative:** Applicant should provide a brief description of any company environmental initiatives.

11. **Health and Safety:** Utilization of Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) – Applicant should provide evidence of a current program in place, including Covid-19 safety protocols. Provide a sample or example OH & S program with general safety program for all workers.

Do you have specific Health and Safety Training Program for all personnel?
 Yes No

Do you have comprehensive COVID-19 protocols in place? If yes, provide a copy.
 Yes No

Have your employees received the required Health and Safety training and retraining?

Yes No

Corporate OH&S policy attached (please tick to confirm).

12. Due to the current COVID-19 situation, the Applicant should provide response to the following (use the spaces provided and/or attach additional pages, if necessary):

(a) **Risk Mitigation Plan:** information that adheres to the current guidelines on HealthLinkBC and WorkSafeBC, that addresses at minimum, the following:

(i) preventative measures (e.g., social and physical distancing and supplies).

(ii) policies for employees related to sickness (e.g., the steps you are taking to protect the health and safety of your staff, your plan for employees who may have, or think they may have, been exposed to the virus, have tested positive or are exhibiting symptoms).

(b) **Business Continuity Plan:** for execution of Services provide information on how the Applicant is planning to minimize known and reasonably foreseeable impacts of COVID-19 on your workplace. This plan should address, at minimum:

- (i) Training for staff and back-up resources;
- (ii) Staff absences (e.g., planning for significant staff absences);
- (iii) Potential material supply; and
- (iv) Any other current or reasonably foreseeable COVID-19 impacts to the delivery of the Services.

13. I/We have reviewed the Standing Offer Agreement. If requested by the City, I/we would be prepared to enter into an agreement that incorporates the Standing Offer Agreement, amended by the following departures (list, if any):

Section

Requested Departure / Alternative(s)

14. The City of Surrey requires that the successful Applicant have the following in place before performing the Services:

- (a) Workers' Compensation Board coverage in good standing and further, if an "Owner Operator" is involved, personal operator protection (P.O.P.) will be provided, Workers' Compensation Registration Number _____;
- (b) Prime Contractor qualified coordinator is Name: _____ and Contact Number: _____;
- (c) Insurance coverage for the amounts required in the proposed Agreement as a minimum, naming the City as additional insured and generally in compliance with the City's sample insurance certificate form available on the City's Website at www.surrey.ca search Contractors Certificate of Insurance;
- (d) City of Surrey or Intermunicipal Business License: Number _____;
- (e) If the Applicant's Goods and Services are subject to GST, the Contractor's GST Number is _____; and
- (f) If the Applicant is a company, the company name indicated above is registered with the Registrar of Companies in the Province of British Columbia, Canada, Incorporation Number _____.

As of the date of this Application, we advise that we have the ability to meet all of the above requirements except as follows (list, if any):

Section

Requested Departure / Alternative(s)

15. The Applicant acknowledges that the departures it has requested in Sections 10 and 11 of this Application will not form part of the Agreement unless and until the City agrees to them in writing by initialling or otherwise specifically consenting in writing to be bound by any of them.

16. I/We the undersigned duly authorized representatives of the Applicant, having received and carefully reviewed the Request including without limitation the Standing Offer Agreement, submit this Application in response to the Request.

This Application is offered by the Applicant this _____ day of _____, 202_.

APPLICANT

I/We have the authority to sign on behalf of the Applicant.

(Legal Name of Applicant)

(Signature of Authorized Signatory)

(Signature of Authorized Signatory)

(Print Name and Position of Authorized Signatory)

(Print Name and Position of Authorized Signatory)