

County Purchasing Department 800 E. Overland, Suite 300 El Paso, Texas 79901 (915) 546-2048 (915) 546-8180 Fax

#### **Notice to Interested Parties**

Sealed bids will be received at the County Purchasing Department, 800 E. Overland, Suite 300, El Paso, Texas 79901 before 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 22, 2010 to be opened at the County Purchasing Office the same date for Security Services for the Juvenile Justice Center.

Bids must be in a sealed envelope and marked:
"Bid to be opened December 22, 2010
Security Services for the Juvenile Justice Center
Bid #10-094"

Any questions or additional information required by interested vendors must be submitted in writing to the attention of the County Purchasing Agent before Tuesday, December 14, 2010, at 12:00 p.m. Questions can be faxed to (915)-546-8180.

Said contract shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and the **COMMISSIONER'S COURT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS AND WAIVE TECHNICALITIES.** 

Only bids that conform to specifications will be considered. Faxed bids will not be accepted. Successful bidder shall not order items or services until a Purchase Order is received from the County Purchasing Office. Payment will not be made on items delivered without a Purchase Order. Contract will be awarded by lump sum or line item, whichever is in the best interest of the County.

In order to remain active on the EI Paso County Vendor list, each vendor receiving this bid must respond in some form. Vendors submitting a bid must meet or exceed all specifications herein. Vendors submitting a no bid must submit their reason in writing to the EI Paso County Purchasing Department.

If the bid totals more than \$100,000.00, the bidder shall furnish a certified cashier's check made payable to the order of El Paso County or a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of 5% of the total contract price, executed with a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas. The bid bond must be included with the bid at the time of the opening.

PITI VASQUEZ
County Purchasing Agent

#### **BIDDING SCHEDULE**

To: El Paso County, Texas

I or we agree to furnish the following described equipment, supplies, or services for the prices shown in accordance with specifications listed below or attached. By execution of this bid, I hereby represent and warrant to EI Paso County that I have read and understood the Bid Documents and the Contract Documents and this bid is made in accordance with the Bid Documents.

Please quote prices and discounts on the following items:

#### F. O. B. El Paso County

Description – Bid #10-094 Security Services for the Juvenile Justice Center Vendor must meet or exceed specifications	
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\$ Please do not include tax, as the County is tax-exen	
covering these items. Please submit one (1) origin	nai copy and two (2) copies of your bid.
Company	Mailing Address
Federal Tax Identification No.	City, State, Zip Code
CIQ Document Number	CIQ Sent Date
Representative Name & Title	Telephone
Fax Number	E-mail
Signature	

\*\*\*THIS MUST BE THE FIRST PAGE ON ALL BIDS\*\*\*

# Security Services for the Juvenile Justice Center

Bid #10-094



Opening Date Wednesday, December 22, 2010

#### JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTER SECURITY SERVICES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

#### I. PURPOSE

The role of the Security guards is to provide a safe and secure environment in the Juvenile Justice Center and surrounding parking lots. This will be accomplished by screening all persons, and their belongings entering the facility to minimize the opportunity for weapons or dangerous items inside and conduct parking lot checks.

#### II. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Security guards shall:
  - 1. be required to operate x-ray machines, stationary and handheld metal detectors,
  - 2. assist the public with information regarding the Juvenile Justice Center
  - 3. enforce laws to maintain an orderly and safe environment for the public and county employees.

While screening devices are tools used to aid personnel in assuring the safety and welfare of the building and its occupants, they cannot replace a competent staff. Security guards shall remain alert and prepared to respond to any threats.

- B. The following equipment shall be inspected for operational readiness. Security guards shall document on the "Daily Activity Log" that all of the listed equipment has been inspected.
  - 1. X-ray machines and walk-through metal detectors
  - 2. Hand held metal detectors will be logged in/out at Detention Central Control before the security guard's shift begins and must be returned to Detention Central Control by the end of the day. Metal detectors must be inspected on a daily basis.
  - 3. Surveillance Cameras shall be checked daily for serviceability.
  - 4. Communications equipment shall be checked for serviceability and ready for use at all times.
  - 5. Report malfunctioning equipment to the Deputy Chief of Finance and Operations at the Juvenile Justice Center.
- C. Security guards shall abide by the State of Texas Private Security Bureau of licensing requirements.
- D. Security guards shall abide by Contractor's Code of Conduct.
- E. Conduct parking lot checks periodically and at least once every hour when security camera monitor is not functioning.

- F. Respond and provide assistance to incidents that occur in the courtrooms, or any other part of the facility.
- G. Operate X-ray machine and metal detector equipment and have all visitors screened through the equipment.
- H. Conduct physical searches of property (e.g. bags, purses, coats, briefcases, etc.) Do not allow clientele/visitors to bring in their personal cellular phones and music players. Clientele/visitors must take off their caps, beanies or hats.
- I. Use portable radios to keep in communication with other contract security officers, court bailiffs, Quick Reaction Force (QRF), and Detention Central Control staff.
- J. Report incidents and provide copy of incident report to Deputy Chief of Finance and Operations at the Juvenile Justice Center.
- K. Maintain the order and control traffic in the lobbies (e.g. keeping visitors quiet, not allow children to run in building, not allowing visitors to lay down on chairs or benches).
- L. Monitor security camera at assigned work station.
- M. Will keep socializing with Juvenile Justice Center clientele, visitors, and/ or employees to a minimum and will not have friends and/or guests congregate around work station or building. Security guard must act in a professional manner at all times.
- N. Contractor shall provide 2 armed commissioned security guards with all necessary licensing to meet State requirements for the following schedule and any other time agreed upon between the Juvenile Justice Center and Contractor:

<b>Security Guard (1)</b>	Monday-Thursday	7:00 a.m7:00p.m.	Administration
			Bldg. Lobby
	Friday	7:00 a.m5:00 p.m.	Administration
			Bldg. Lobby
	Saturday	8:00 a.m1:00 p.m.	Administration
	•	_	Bldg. Lobby

Security Guard (1)			
School Time:	Monday-Thursday	8:30 a.m7:30 p.m.	Delta Academy
			Building
	Friday	8:30 a.m5:00 p.m.	Delta Academy
	•	_	Building

- 1. Security guards shall coordinate lunch and/or breaks amongst themselves, but at no time leave Administration building unattended.
- 2. Security guard shall sign in/out from lunch and/or breaks in order to have sufficient supporting documentation for invoices. Sign in/out sheets will be located at the Detention Central Control.

#### III. DRESS CODE

- A. Security guard personnel will wear a uniform provided by Contractor.
- B. Uniforms shall be properly fitted, cleaned, and pressed. Uniform will display proper security identification such as security logo and badge or name tag, and must be approved by the Texas Security Bureau.
- C. Appearance shall be neat and well groomed at all times.

#### IV. ORGANIZATION

- A. Chain of Command for Security guards shall be:
  - 1. Contractor will be responsible for the direct supervision of all security guard personnel through Contractor's designated representative, who shall be available to Juvenile Justice Center 24-hours a day, Monday through Sunday.
    - i. Contractor will supply the Juvenile Justice Center with the name and phone number of the supervisor.
    - ii. Contractor will provide the Juvenile Justice Center with a list of names of personnel assigned to the Juvenile Justice Center. If there is a change in staffing and new personnel is assigned, the Contractor shall notify the Juvenile Justice Center and provide the name(s) of the new employee(s) prior to starting assignment.
  - 2. Deputy Chief of Finance and Operations
  - 3. Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
  - 4. Security guard will need to call Bailiff, QRF, and/or Detention Central Control for emergencies.
- B. Independent Contractor
  - 1. Security guards are not employees of the Juvenile Justice Center or the County of El Paso.

#### V. TRAINING AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- A. Security guards shall be trained by Juvenile Justice personnel or in the alternative, procure Contractor's own training to obtain certification in the following courses:
  - 1. First Aid
  - 2. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)
  - 3. Crisis Prevention and Intervention (CPI)
  - 4. Abuse, Neglect, & Exploitation

Security guard personnel shall ensure to maintain current First Aid, CPR, and CPI certification during the length of this agreement and provide proof of certification and recertification to the Juvenile Justice Center.

- B. Security guards assigned to the Juvenile Justice Center shall complete the following:
  - 1. Provide complete results of all psychological evaluations.
  - 2. Medical clearance to perform the services.
  - 3. Drug screening results.
  - 4. Have a minimum of one-year experience as a security guard.
- C. Security guards will execute a Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (TLETS)/National Crime Information Center (NCIC) records form in order to allow the Juvenile Justice Center to perform the following:
  - 1. Criminal records check
  - 2. Local and county sex offender registration data base check
  - 3. FBI fingerprint check

Security guards shall not be assigned to the Juvenile Justice Center if they have been convicted of any felony or has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. Security guards are not allowed to be assigned to the Juvenile Justice Center until they have cleared all background checks.

#### VI. SCREENING PROCEDURES AND BUILDING SECURITY

- A. The following persons are exempt from entry screening requirements:
  - 1. Peace Officers licensed in the state of Texas
  - 2. Judges with an assigned court
  - 3. Juvenile Board members
  - 4. County Judge
  - 5. County Commissioner
  - 6. Mayor of any city in El Paso County
  - 7. Sheriff's Detention Officers on official Office business
  - Juvenile Justice Center employees are not exempt from entry screening requirements.
- B. Security Checkpoints

Security checkpoints are located in the main entrances of the Juvenile Justice Center (Administration, Court, and Delta Academy Buildings). Each checkpoint is equipped with detection equipment to assist the security guard in finding weapons, dangerous devices and contraband. Security guard personnel are also equipped with portable radios to effectively communicate in the facility, bailiff officers, QRF, and Detention Central Control.

#### 1. Walk-through Metal Detectors

All non-exempt persons, other than those who are wheelchair bound shall pass through the metal detector when entering the Juvenile Justice Center. Persons shall enter single file with sufficient spacing so that the security guard can detect react to an alert signal from the metal detector. When the alert sounds:

- a. That person will be directed to place all metal objects in their possession (including coins, keys, etc.) in a tray for inspection, then be directed to make a second pass through the metal detector.
- b. If the alert sounds again, the security guard shall conduct an interview with that person to determine the cause for it. All explanations for alerts should be followed up with additional screening using the handheld metal detectors or, if reasonable, visual inspection.

#### 2. X-Ray Machines

Non-exempt persons are required to pass all packages, purses, briefcases, bags or hand carried property through the x-ray machine for inspection before entering the Juvenile Justice Center. This shall be done in conjunction with the pass through metal detector. All mail delivered to the Juvenile Justice Center shall be passes through the x-ray machine. Open containers with liquid shall not be passed through the x-ray machine but are subject to visual check by the security guard.

- a. Upon discovery of a weapon or suspicious item believed to be a threat, security guard shall take control of it, following the precautionary measures detailed below:
  - i. Lock the item in the tunnel of the x-ray machine,
  - ii. Notify the Lead Security Guard
  - iii. Notify the Bailiff, QRF, and/or Detention Central Control

#### 3. Hand Held Metal Detectors

Hand held metal detectors are standard issue equipment for the Security guard. Metal detectors are to be used in the course of daily operations to scan for metal objects on persons entering the Juvenile Justice Center. Use of the hand held metal detectors is subject to the following;

- a. Scanning any person shall be conducted in a professional and dignified manner,
- b. Detectors are not to be loaned to other agencies or individuals without prior authorization from the Deputy Chief/Chief.

#### 4. Screening Disabled Persons

The screening of disabled persons is subject to the following:

- a. Property belonging to a disabled person shall be passed through the x-ray machine.
- b. Since the metal in a wheel chair will set off the metal detector, those individuals in a wheel chair shall be scanned using the handheld detector.
- c. Disabled persons using a walking cane shall be directed to the walk through metal detector. If the detector alerts, the officer shall use the hand held detector to confirm the cane as the source of the alert. The person shall be scanned with the hand held metal detector.
- d. The walk through metal detector shall not be used if it creates a health risk to a disabled person.

#### 5. Use of Public restroom

- a. Clientele must sign in for restroom key (Court II, receptionist will control restroom key)
- b. No more than one person at a time is permitted in restroom.
- c. Security guard shall check the restroom after each use when used by juvenile clientele and/or when necessary.
- d. Security guard shall request back-up (security guard 2) when checking restrooms. Security guard shall not leave the Administration unattended.
- e. Incident report to be written when tagging is discovered and copy to be turned in to Deputy Chief of Finance and Operations.

#### 6. Court room, lobby or other incidents

- a. Security guard shall respond and provide assistance to incidents that occur in the courtroom, in the lobby or other locations in the facility:
  - i. Radio other security guard personnel, bailiff, and/or QRF for assistance, if necessary.
  - ii. Radio Detention Central Control to get assistance from nurse, detention staff, maintenance, or other personnel, if necessary.
  - iii. Keep area clear
  - iv. Call or instruct receptionist to call 911, if necessary.

#### 7. Portable Radios

Contractor will provide security guard personnel with portable radios that operate on the same frequencies as the Juvenile Justice Center radios to

keep in contact with other security guard personnel, QRF, Detention Central Control, and Court Bailiffs.

- a. Radio Channels
  - i. Channel 1: Challenge
  - ii. Channel 2: Detention Central Control, Bailiff, Security Guard, ORF
  - iii. Channel 3: Maintenance

#### b. Radio signs

- i. Court 1/Security 1
- ii. Court 2/Security 2
- iii. Delta/Security 3

#### c. Radio Code

- i. **CODE 1:** Officer(s) need assistance as soon as possible. Fight or escape in progress. Any type of emergency in progress and all available staff to report to give assistance. Also to be used when supervising court holding room and officer is having trouble with any juveniles in the holding rooms or court area, e.g. trying to hurt self, getting out of control, being very agitated, etc.
- ii. **CODE 2:** Medical assistance needed.

Airways will be used for official business only to communicate pertinent information. No unauthorized personnel will be allowed to use the portable radios at any time.

#### 8. Weapons Prohibited

All weapons (guns, knives, etc.) are prohibited. Law enforcement must secure their weapon in the Juvenile Justice gun lockers.

#### 9. Reporting of incidents

- a. Security guard must file an Incident Report for any event that was out of the normal day activity.
- b. Incident Reports must be submitted to the Deputy Chief of Finance and Operations by the end of the day or within 24 hours of the incident.
- c. Security guard may be asked to complete a Juvenile Justice Center incident report.

#### 10. Breaks for Security guard

- a. Security guard must request back-up (security guard 2) when going on break. Security guard shall not leave the Administration unattended.
- b. Security guards shall remain alert and prepared to respond to any threats, therefore, security guards are not allowed to use their personal cellular phones (emergency use only), read books or magazines, or any other activity that will distract them from performing their job functions.

#### VII. CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

- A. Contractor warrants that Contractor is certified, approved or licensed by all Federal, State or local agencies or departments that have jurisdiction to regulate all activity performed by the Contractor. Contractor shall abide by all rules, guidelines and procedures set forth at the Juvenile Justice Center. Proof of such certification approval or licensure shall be provided to the Juvenile Justice Center within ten (10) days of execution of this agreement. Contractor warrants he/she will maintain and renew their license by completing continuing education while this contract remains in effect.
- B. Contractor shall be fully responsible for payment of any and all taxes and insurance, including, but not limited to federal, state and local income taxes and payroll taxes (such as FICA and Unemployment Insurance, etc.) and shall make such statutory filings as my be required by law.
- C. Contractor shall obtain Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation and an Employee Fidelity Bond. Proof of such coverage is required prior to commencing any work hereunder.
  - 1. Insurance Requirements Except as otherwise stated in the contract, Contractor shall at Contractor's expense maintain insurance of the following types, with limits not less than those set forth below:
    - a. Worker's Compensation in accordance with the provisions of the applicable Worker's Compensation law or similar laws of the State, territory, province or political division having jurisdiction over the employee and Employer's liability with a limit of liability of \$500,000.00 for each occurrence.

- b. Commercial General Liability, with a combined single limit of liability of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. The policy shall be endorsed to name the County of El Paso and the El Paso County Juvenile Board as additional insured, but only with respect to liability assumed under the contract.
- c. A Fidelity Bond which includes employee dishonesty coverage for all employees assigned to work on site in the amount of \$50,000.00 per loss.
- 2. These policies shall be written by an insurance carrier(s) that is authorized and licensed by the Texas State Board of Insurance which shall have approved said policies as to form. The County shall be timely furnished certificates of insurance cancelable or subject to change only upon fifteen days advance written notice. Contractor shall notify the County prior to any change in carrier(s) or coverage(s). Contractor shall require certification of statutory Worker's Compensation Insurance from all subcontractors.
- 3. Contractor hereby waives subrogation against and releases the County and Juvenile Board and their directors, officers, employees and representatives from all liability covered by Contractor's insurance for losses or claims arising out of Contractor's negligent performance of the contract.

#### VIII. COST

1. Submit hourly cost.

#### **COUNTY OF EL PASO, TEXAS**

CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING, DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS; FEDERAL DEBT STATUS, AND NONDISCRIMINATION STATUS AND IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS\*

#### Instructions for the certifications:

#### **General Requirements**

The County of El Paso, Texas is required to obtain from all applicants of federal funds or pass-through certifications regarding federal debt status, debarment and suspension, and a drug free workplace. Institutional applicants are required to certify that they will comply with the nondiscrimination statutes and implementing regulations.

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certifications to which they are required to attest. Signature of the form provides for compliance with certification requirements under 21 CFR part 1405, "New Restrictions on Lobbying," 21 CFR part 1414, Government wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement), Certification Regarding Federal Debt Status (0MB Circular A-129), and Certification Regarding the Nondiscrimination Statutes and Implementing Regulations. The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the County of El Paso determines to award the covered cooperative agreement

#### 1. LOBBYING

As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented in 21 CFR part 1405, for persons entering into a cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 21 CPR Part 1405, the applicant certifies that;

- (a) No federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, and officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement,
- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal Grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form -LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions;
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award document for all sub-awards at all tiers (including sub-grants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

#### 1. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS

As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension and implemented at 21 CFR Part 1404, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions

- A. The applicant certifies that it and its principals:
  - (a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;
  - (b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or and a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;
  - (c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) terminated for cause or default; and
- B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to the application.

#### 2. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

As required by the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988, and implemented at 21 CFR Part 1404 Subpart F.

- A. The applicant certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug free workplace by:
  - (a). Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the applicant's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition;
  - (b) Establishing an on-going drug free awareness program to inform employees about:
    - (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
    - (2) The applicant's policy of maintaining a drug free workplace;
    - (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
    - (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violation occurring in the workplace;
  - (c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph
  - (d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee must
    - (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
    - (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction.
  - (e) Notifying the agency, in writing, within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such

convictions. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice including position title, to: The County of El Paso, Texas, 500 East San Antonio Street, Suite 406, El Paso, Texas 79901. Notice shall include the identification number of each affected grant

- (f) Taking one of the following actions within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
  - (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
  - (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency
- (g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).
- 3. CERTIFICATION REGARDING FEDERAL DEBT STATUS (0MB Circular A-129)

The Applicant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it is not delinquent in the repayment of any federal debt.

4. CERTIFICATION REGARDING THE NONDISCRIMINATION STATUTES AND IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS

The applicant certifies that it will comply with the following nondiscrimination statues and their implementing regulations: (a) title VI of the Civil right Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000D et seq.) which provides that no person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant received federal financial assistance; (b) Section 504 of the rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance; (c) title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972m as amended (20 U.S.C. 1981 et seq.) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance; and (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and amended (42 U.S.C. 6101 ec seq.) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance, except that actions which reasonably take age into account as a factor necessary for the normal operation or achievement of any statutory objective of the project or activity shall not violate this statute.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby certify that the applicant will comply with the above certifications.	
Business Name	Date
Name of Authorized Representative	Signature of Authorized Representative

<sup>\*</sup>All three (3) pages of this document must be included in all responses.

## **COUNTY OF EL PASO PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**

MDR BUILDING, 800 EAST OVERLAND ROOM 300, EL PASO, TEXAS 79901 (915) 546-2048, FAX: (915) 546-8180 PITI VASQUEZ, PURCHASING AGENT JOSE LOPEZ, JR. ASST. PURCHASING AGENT LINDA MENA, INVENTORY BID TECHNICIAN

#### **BIDDING CONDITIONS**

This is the only approved instruction for use on your invitation to bid. Items below apply to and become a part of the terms and conditions of the bid.

- 1. BY SUBMITTING A BID, EACH BIDDER AGREES TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS IT HAS OR MAY HAVE AGAINST THE COUNTY OF EL PASO, AND ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES, ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH: THE DOCUMENTS, PROCEDURES, ADMINISTRATION, EVALUATION, OR RECOMMENDATION OF ANY BID; THE WAIVER BY EL PASO COUNTY OF ANY REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE BID DOCUMENTS OR THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS; THE ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF ANY BIDS; AND THE AWARD OF THE CONTRACT.
- 2. Bids must be in the Purchasing Department BEFORE the hour and date specified. Faxed bids will not be accepted.
- 3. Late bids properly identified will be returned to bidder unopened. Late bids will not be considered under any circumstances.
- 4. All bids are for new equipment or merchandise unless otherwise specified.
- 5. Quotes F.O.B. destination. If otherwise, show exact cost to deliver.
- 6. Bid unit price on quantity specified-extend and show total. In case of error in extension, unit prices shall govern. Bids subject to unlimited price increases will not be considered.
- 7. Bids must give full firm name and address of bidder. Failure to manually sign bid will disqualify it. Person signing should show title or authority to bind his firm in a contract.
- 8. No substitutions or cancellations permitted without written approval of County Purchasing Agent.
- The County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder. The County of El Paso reserves the right to award by item or by total bid. Prices should be itemized.
- 10. Bids \$100,000.00 and over, the bidder shall furnish a certified cashiers check made payable to the County of El Paso or a good and sufficient bid bond in the amount of 5% of the total contract prices and execute with a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas. The bid bond must be included with the bid at the time of the opening.
- 11. This is a quotation inquiry only and implies no obligation of the part of the County of El Paso.
- 12. The County of El Paso reserves the right to reject any proposal due to failure of performance on deliveries. The County Purchasing Agent will justify this.
- 13. Brand names are for descriptive purposes only, not restrictive.
- 14. The County of El Paso is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

- 15. Any proposal sent via express mail or overnight delivery service must have the proposal number and title clearly marked on the outside of the express mail or overnight delivery service envelope or package. Failure to clearly identify your proposal may be cause for disqualification.
- 16. PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 2253.021, A PRIME CONTRACTOR WHO IS AWARDED A PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT SHALL, PRIOR TO BEGINNING THE WORK, EXECUTE TO THE COUNTY:
  - a. A PERFORMANCE BOND, IN THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT, IF THE CONTRACT IS IN EXCESS OF \$100,000: AND
  - b. A PAYMENT BOND, IN THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT, IF THE CONTRACT IS IN EXCESS OF \$25,000.
- 17. PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 262.032(b), ANY SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WHO IS AWARDED ANY CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$50,000 MAY BE REQUIRED TO EXECUTE A PERFORMANCE BOND TO THE COUNTY. SAID BOND SHALL BE IN THE FULL AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT AND MUST BE FURNISHED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE A PURCHASE ORDER IS ISSUED OR THE CONTRACT IS SIGNED AND PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE ACTUAL WORK. ANY PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE NOTED IN THE ATTACHED DETAILED BID SPECIFICATIONS OR SCOPE OF WORK. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A PERFORMANCE BOND REQUIRED BY CHAPTER 2253, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.
- 18. "Beginning January 1, 2006, in order to implement HB 914 (adding new Local Government Code Chapter 176), ALL VENDORS MUST SUBMIT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE (Form CIQ) disclosing its affiliations and business relationships with the County's Officers (County Judge and Commissioners Court) as well as the County employees and contractors who make recommendations for the expenditure of County funds. The names of the County Officers and of the County employees and contractors making recommendations to the County Officers on this contract are listed in the Specifications.

THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE MUST BE FILED WITH THE COUNTY CLERK AND A COPY OR PROOF OF FILING MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE BIDDER'S RESPONSE SUBMITTED TO THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

Bidders should be aware that this bidding condition is not intended to cover or to advise you about all situations in which Local Government Code Chapter 176 would require you to file a Form CIQ. You should consult your private attorney with regard to the application of this law and your compliance requirements. Failure to comply is punishable as a Class C misdemeanor.

#### **NOTICE:**

ALL COMMUNICATIONS BY A VENDOR TO THE COUNTY, ITS OFFICIALS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADS REGARDING THIS PROCUREMENT SHALL BE DONE THROUGH THE EL PASO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT. THE EL PASO COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS PROHIBITS ALL PRIVATE COMMUNICATION BETWEEN VENDORS AND CERTAIN COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES AS DESCRIBED BELOW:

No vendor, its representative, agent, or employee shall engage in private communication with a member of the El Paso County Commissioners Court or county department heads regarding any procurement of goods or services by the County from the date that the bid, RFP, or RFQ is released. No private communication regarding the purchase shall be permitted until the procurement process is complete and a purchase order is granted or a contract is entered into. Members of the commissioners court are required to make a reasonable effort to inform themselves regarding potential procurements and have a duty to inquire of vendors, their representatives or employees, the nature of any private communication being sought prior to engaging in any communication. "Private Communication" means communication with any vendor outside of a posted meeting of the governing body, a regular meeting of a standing or appointed committee, or a negotiation with a vendor which has been specifically authorized by the governing body.

## Health Insurance Benefits Provided By Bidder

### **Consideration of Health Insurance Benefits\***

<ol> <li>2.</li> </ol>	Do you or your subcontractor(s) currently offer health insurance benefits to your employees?  If so, please describe those health insurance benefits that you or your subcontractor(s) currently provide/offer to your employees.  What percentage, if any, of your of your subcontractor's employees are currently enrolled in the health insurance benefits program?					
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<sup>\*</sup> This page must be included in all responses.



COUNTY OF EL PASO

County Purchasing Department 800 East Overland, Suite 300 El Paso, Texas 79901 (915) 546-2048 (915) 546-8180 Fax

RE: Bid #10-094, Security Services for the Juvenile Justice Center

#### Dear Vendor:

As of January 1, 2006, the Texas Local Government Code Chapter 176 requires all vendors and potential vendors who contract or seek to contract for the sale or purchase of property, goods, or services with any local government entity to complete and submit a Conflicts of Interest Questionnaire. A copy of the requirements regarding vendors is attached. Also attached is a copy of the Questionnaire which needs to be filed and was prepared and approved for statewide use by the Texas Ethics Commission.

In filing out the Questionnaire, the following are the County Officers that will award the bid and the employees which will make a recommendation to the Commissioners Court:

County Officers: County Judge Anthony Cobos

Commissioner Anna Perez

Commissioner Veronica Escobar Commissioner Willie Gandara Jr. Commissioner Dan Haggerty

County Employees: Piti Vasquez, Purchasing Agent

Jose Lopez, Jr., Assistant Purchasing Agent

Pete Gutierrez, Buyer II

Linda Mena, Inventory Bid Technician Lucy Balderama, Inventory Bid Technician

Roger Martinez, Chief

Marc Marquez, Deputy Chief of Juvenile Services Lorena Heredia, Deputy Chief of Finance & Operations

David Hijar, Building Engineer

Javier Woodruff, Training Coordinator Jesus Vasquez, Team Leader-Challenge

Rafael Luevanos Probation Officer

Andres Lagunas, Team Leader-Detention

Please note that the state law requires that the Questionnaire be filed with the **COUNTY CLERK** no later than the 7<sup>th</sup> business day after submitting an application, response to an RFP, RFQ or bid or any other writing related to a potential agreement with the County. Failure to file the questionnaire within the time provided by the statute is a Class C misdemeanor

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE**

**FORM CIQ** 

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 1491, 80th Leg., Regular Session.  This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code by a person who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the person meets requirements under Section 176.006, Local Government Code.  A person commits an offense if the person knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a Class C misdementor.  The law requires that you file an updated to a previously filed questionnaire.  (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becomes incomplete or inaccurate.)  Name of local government officer with whom filer has employment or business relationship.  Name of Officer  This section (item 3 including subparts A, B, C & D) must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has an employment or other business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a), Local Government Code. Attach additional pages to this Form ClQ as necessary.  A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the filer of the questionnaire?  No  B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income is not received from the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more?  Yes No  D. Describe each employment or business relationship with the local government officer named in this section.	For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity	
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Adopted 06/29/2007

#### COUNTY OF EL PASO PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

PITI VASQUEZ, PURCHASING AGENT JOSE LOPEZ, JR. ASST. PURCHASING AGENT LUCY BALDERAMA, INVENTORY BID TECHNICIAN MDR BUILDING, 800 E. OVERLAND ROOM 300, EL PASO TEXAS 79901 (915)546-2048, FAX (915)546-8180

#### <u>Instructions: Conflict of Interest Form (CIQ)</u>

- Please complete CIQ Form whether or not a conflict exists.
- Box #1 <u>All Vendors</u> Must Print Clearly their names and company name.
- **Box #2** If the vendor has already filed a CIQ for the current year and is updating (filing a new one) due to changes on bid, please check box. If this is the first time within the current year that the vendor is submitting a CIQ, then do not check this box.
- **Box #3** If you are filing a disclosure of conflict of interest, meaning that you do have a relationship with someone listed on the page prior to the CIQ form on your BID, RFP, RFQ, or RFI, then you must print the name of the person whom you have a business relationship with.
- If you answer **yes** to any of the following: **Item A, B, C** you have a conflict and must disclose on this form.
- Item D List the type of relationship and what department in the local government the person you
  have listed in Box #3.
- **Box #4** Please have the person that is named on **Box# 1**, sign and date in this box. We request a contact number in case there are any questions or form is missing information. This is a courtesy to you.
- It is the vendor's responsibility to submit the CIQ document number provided by the County Clerk's to the Purchasing Department.
- Please note that the state law requires that the Questionnaire be filed with the COUNTY CLERK
  no later than the 7th business day after submitting an application, response to an RFP, RFQ, RFI
  or bid or any other writing related to a potential agreement with the County. Failure to file the
  questionnaire within the time provided by the statute is a Class C misdemeanor.
- File a completed Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ) with the EI Paso County Clerk in person or by mail to 500 E. San Antonio, Suite 105, EI Paso, TX 79901 or by fax to 915-543-3816 the attention of the County Clerks office.
- If filing by fax use your fax confirmation (date/time) for your records. To obtain a copy/CIQ document number go to our website at <a href="www.epcounty.com">www.epcounty.com</a>, click on public records, click on to <a href="Official Public Records">Official Public Records</a> Deeds of Trust, Liens and other public documents (County Clerk), <a href="type">type</a> in the name of your company, on <a href="Style">Style</a>: scroll to <a href="CIQ-Conflict INT. QUESTIONNAIRE">CIQ-Conflict INT. QUESTIONNAIRE</a>, and click on <a href="Search">Search</a>. It will be available on the web-site approximately 5 to 10 business days. Please fax a copy of your fax confirmation (date/time) to The Purchasing Department at (915) 546-8180. If you have not yet placed it in your Bid, RFP, RFQ, RFI.
- If you have any questions, please call Linda Mena or Lucy Balderama at 915-546-2048.

#### Tex. Local Gov't Code § 176.006 (2005)

- § 176.006. Disclosure Requirements for Vendors and Other Persons; Questionnaire
- (a) A person described by Section 176.002(a) shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the date that the person:
  - (1) begins contract discussions or negotiations with the local governmental entity; or
- (2) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential agreement with the local governmental entity.
- (b) The commission shall adopt a conflict of interest questionnaire for use under this section that requires disclosure of a person's affiliations or business relationships that might cause a conflict of interest with a local governmental entity.
- (c) The questionnaire adopted under Subsection (b) must require, for the local governmental entity with respect to which the questionnaire is filed, that the person filing the questionnaire:
- (1) describe each affiliation or business relationship the person has with each local government officer of the local governmental entity;
- (2) identify each affiliation or business relationship described by Subdivision (1) with respect to which the local government officer receives, or is likely to receive, taxable income from the person filing the questionnaire;
- (3) identify each affiliation or business relationship described by Subdivision (1) with respect to which the person filing the questionnaire receives, or is likely to receive, taxable income that:
- (A) is received from, or at the direction of, a local government officer of the local governmental entity; and
  - (B) is not received from the local governmental entity;
- (4) describe each affiliation or business relationship with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which a local government officer of the local governmental entity:
  - (A) serves as an officer or director; or
  - (B) holds an ownership interest of 10 percent or more;
- (5) describe each affiliation or business relationship with an employee or contractor of the local governmental entity who makes recommendations to a local government officer of the local governmental entity with respect to the expenditure of money:
  - (6) describe each affiliation or business relationship with a person who:
  - (A) is a local government officer; and
- (B) appoints or employs a local government officer of the local governmental entity that is the subject of the questionnaire; and
  - (7) describe any other affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest.
  - (d) A person described by Subsection (a) shall file an updated completed guestionnaire with the

appropriate records administrator not later than:

- (1) September 1 of each year in which an activity described by Subsection (a) is pending; and
- (2) the seventh business day after the date of an event that would make a statement in the questionnaire incomplete or inaccurate.
- (e) A person is not required to file an updated completed questionnaire under Subsection (d)(1) in a year if the person has filed a questionnaire under Subsection (c) or (d)(2) on or after June 1, but before September 1, of that year.
- (f) A person commits an offense if the person violates this section. An offense under this subsection is a Class C misdemeanor.
- (g) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection (f) that the person filed the required questionnaire not later than the seventh business day after the date the person received notice of the violation.

### Tex. Local Gov't Code § 176.001 (2005)

§ 176.001. Definitions

In this chapter:

- (1) "Commission" means the Texas Ethics Commission.
- (2) "Family member" means a person related to another person within the first degree by consanguinity or affinity, as described by Subchapter B, Chapter 573, Government Code.
- (3) "Local governmental entity" means a county, municipality, school district, junior college district, or other political subdivision of this state or a local government corporation, board, commission, district, or authority to which a member is appointed by the commissioners court of a county, the mayor of a municipality, or the governing body of a municipality. The term does not include an association, corporation, or organization of governmental entities organized to provide to its members education, assistance, products, or services or to represent its members before the legislative, administrative, or judicial branches of the state or federal government.
  - (4) "Local government officer" means:
  - (A) a member of the governing body of a local governmental entity; or
- (B) a director, superintendent, administrator, president, or other person designated as the executive officer of the local governmental entity.
- (5) "Records administrator" means the director, county clerk, municipal secretary, superintendent, or other person responsible for maintaining the records of the local governmental entity.

## **COUNTY OF EL PASO, TEXAS**

## Solicitation Check List

## Security Services for the Juvenile Justice Center Bid #10-094

THIS CHECKLIST IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE	
	Responses should be delivered to the County Purchasing Department by 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 22, 2010. Did you visit our website ( <a href="www.epcounty.com">www.epcounty.com</a> ) for any addendums?
	Did you sign the Bidding Schedule?
	Did you sign the "Certifications Regarding Lobbying, Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace Requirements; Federal Debt Status, and Nondiscrimination Status And Implementing Regulations" document?
	Did you sign the "Consideration of Insurance Benefits" form?
	Did you file a copy of the completed Conflict of Interest Questionnaire (Form CIQ) with the EI Paso County Clerk (in person or by mail to 500 E. San Antonio, Suite 105, EI Paso, TX 79901 or by fax to 915-543-3816
	<b>CIQ forms</b> - you must write the name of your company underneath the signature with your phone number and bid number. Please include the completed and signed form with your response whether a relationship exists or not.
	If your bid totals more than \$100,000, did you include a bid bond?
	Did you provide one original and two (2) copies of your response?