

COUNTY OF EL PASO County Purchasing Department 500 East San Antonio, Suite PU500 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, 500 E. San Antonio, Suite PU500, El Paso, Texas 79901 before 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, 2006 to be opened at the County Purchasing Office the same date for Traffic Signal Installation at Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive.

#### Bids must be in a sealed envelope and marked: "Bid to be opened <mark>June 14, 2006</mark> Traffic Signal Installation at Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive Bid #06-037"

Any questions or additional information required by interested vendors must be submitted in writing to the attention of the County Purchasing Agent before Friday, June 2, 2006, 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 El 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 El Paso County Purchasing Department.

If the bid totals more than \$100,000.00, the bidder shall furnish a certified cashiers 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 El 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 # 06-037<br>Traffic Signal Installation at Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive<br>Vendor must meet or exceed specifications  |                    |  |  |
|---|--------------------|--|--|
| SPECIFICATIONS  | TOTAL PROJECT COST |  |  |
| Installation of traffic control devices at the intersection of Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive   | \$                 |  |  |
| Please do not include tax, as the County is tax-exempt. We will sign tax exemption certificates covering these items. Please submit one (1) original copy and two (2) copies of your bid. |                    |  |  |
|   |                    |  |  |
| Company   | Address            |  |  |
|   |                    |  |  |

Federal Tax Identification No.

**CIQ Document Number** 

Representative Name & Title

City, State, Zip Code

CIQ Sent Date

Telephone & Fax Number

Signature

Date

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

# COUNTY OF EL PASO, TEXAS

# Solicitation Check List

# Traffic Signal Installation at Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive Bid #06-037

| THIS CHECKLIST IS PROVIDED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Depa  | onses should be delivered to the County Purchasing<br>rtment by 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, 2006. Did you<br>our website ( <u>www.epcounty.com</u> ) for any addendums?   |  |
| Did y   | ou sign the Bidding Schedule?  |  |
| Susp<br>Requ                                    | ou sign the "Certifications Regarding Lobbying, Debarment,<br>ension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-Free Workplace<br>irements; Federal Debt Status, and Nondiscrimination Status<br>Implementing Regulations" document?   |  |
| Did y   | ou sign the "Consideration of Insurance Benefits" form?  |  |
| Ques<br>or by<br>by fa<br>numb<br><u>inclue</u> | ou file a copy of the completed Conflict of Interest<br>tionnaire (Form CIQ) with the El Paso County Clerk (in person<br>mail to 500 E. San Antonio, Suite 106, El Paso, TX 79901 or<br>x to 915-546-2012 attention Joann) and write the confirmation<br>ber given as proof of filing on your bidding schedule? <u>Please</u><br>de the completed and signed form with your response whether<br>ationship exists or not. |  |
| If you  | ur bid totals more than \$100,000, did you include a bid bond?   |  |
| Did y   | ou provide one original and two (2) copies of your response?   |  |

# Traffic Signal Installation at Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive

# Bid #06-037



Opening Date Wednesday, June 14, 2006

# TRAFFIC SIGNAL INSTALLATION EASTLAKE BLVD/ROJAS DR

Project plans are available at the County of El Paso Purchasing Department located at 500 East San Antonio, Suite PU500, El Paso, TX 79901 for a \$50 non-refundable fee. Cash or checks only please.

Project Narrative:

This project consists of the installation of Traffic control devices at the intersection of Eastlake Blvd. and Rojas Dr. The plans and specifications were done by the Texas Department of Transportation – El Paso Division. As noted on the plans and specifications the County through TxDOT will provide equipment and material. These items will be available for pickup at the TxDOT district office, locate at Bill Burnett Dr. and Gateway West Blvd. (Arrangements will be made with the TxDOT and the contract for pickup).

The contract will provide all other items as described in the plans to complete the aforementioned project. Including but not limited to all tools, miscellaneous parts that are needed to install the items needed to complete the project.

This contract will be bid as a lump sum project. The bid will be inclusive of all cost relating to the installation of traffic control devices, illumination and all support equipment as described in the plans and specifications. (To include, but not limited to, tools, equipment manpower and miscellaneous parts necessary to have a fully operational system when completed). Contractor shall conduct an inventory of items provided by the County and must provide all other necessary items to complete the project as described.

The Contractor shall include in their bid the cost to maintain these signals (emergency response to be included in price) for a one (1) year period after final acceptance has been issued.

#### Detailed Material Estimate For Eastlake Blvd. & Rojas Dr. Traffic Signals

\_\_\_\_\_ 887.0000 CY @ 01102001 To be provided by County 0001 EXCAVATION (ROADWAY) 02472231 2,662.0000 SY @ 0002 FL BS (CMP IN PLACE) (TY A GR 1) (10in) 03142004. 666.0000 GAL @ 0003 EMULS ASPH (BS OR SUBGR TRT) (CSS-1H) 03402066 293.0000 TON @ 0004 D-GR HMA(METH) TY-C PG76-22 04162029 54.0000 LF 0005 DRILL SHAFT (RDWY ILL POLE) (30 IN)--spcl note 20.0000 04162031  $\mathbf{LF}$ @ 0006 DRILL SHAFT (TRF SIG POLE) (30 IN)--spcl note 04162032 12.0000  $\mathbf{LF}$ 0007 DRILL SHAFT (TRF SIG POLE) (36 IN)--spcl note 04322001 3.0000 CY @ 0008 RIPRAP (CONC)(4 IN) 05292006 1,087.0000 LF @ 0009 CONC CURB (MONO) (TY II) 06102042 9.0000 EA @ To be provided by County, 0010 INS RD IL AM (TY SA) 50T-8 (.4 KW)S installed by contractor 06182018 1,896.0000 LF @ 0011 CONDT (PVC) (SCHD 40) ( 2in) 06182018 8.0000 LF @ 0012 CONDT (PVC) (SCHD 40) ( 2in) 06182022 751.0000  $\mathbf{LF}$ @ 0013 CONDT (PVC) (SCHD 40) (3in) 421.0000 06202012  $\mathbf{LF}$ @ 0014 ELEC CONDR (NO. 8) INSULATED 06202012 5,838.0000 LF @ 0015 ELEC CONDR (NO. 8) INSULATED 06242008 8.0000 EA @ 0016 GROUND BOX TY A (122311) W/APRON 06242012 1.0000 EA @ 0017 GROUND BOX TY C (162911) W/APRON 06242012 1.0000 EA @ 0018 GROUND BOX TY C (162911) W/APRON

Estimator Detailed Estimate

\_\_\_\_\_ 0628XXXX 1.0000 EA @ 0019 ELC SRV TY A 240/480 060 (NS)SS(E)EX(O) 06282171 1.0000 EA 0020 ELC SRV TY T 120/240 000 (NS)GS(N)GC(0) 06362001 37.0000 SF @ 0021 ALUMINUM SIGNS (TY A) 06442001 8.0000 EA @ 0022 INS SM RD SN SUP&AM TY LOBWG(1) SA(P) 06442060 6.0000 EA @ 0023 REMOVE SM RD SN SUP & AM 720.0000 06662003  $\mathbf{LF}$ @ 0024 REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 4in (BRK) (100MIL) 06662009 60.0000 LF @ 0025 REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 4in (LNDP) (100MIL) 06662012 1,356.0000 LF @ 0026 REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 4in (SLD) (100MIL) 06662048 166.0000 LF @ 0027 REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) 24in(SLD) (100MIL) 06662054 10.0000 EA @ 0028 REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) (ARROW) (100MIL) 50762001 104.0000  $\mathbf{LF}$ @ 0048 DEAD END ROADWAY BARRICADE 06662096 5.0000 EA 0029 REFL PAV MRK TY I (W) (WORD) (100MIL) 06802002 1.0000 EA @ To be provided by County, 0030 INSTALL HWY TRF SIG (ISOLATED) installed by contractor 06822022 3.0000 EA @ 0031 VEH SIG SEC (12 IN) LED (GRN ARW) 06822023 6.0000 EA @ 0032 VEH SIG SEC (12 IN) LED GRN) 06822024 3.0000 EA @ 0033 VEH SIG SEC (12 IN) LED (YEL ARW) 06822025 6.0000 EA 0034 VEH SIG SEC (12 IN) LED (YEL) 06822027 9.0000 EA @ 0035 VEH SIG SEC (12 IN) LED (RED) 575.0000 06842017 LF @ 0036 TRF SIG CBL (TY A) (12 AWG) (12 CONDR) 06862031 2.0000 EA @ To be provided by County, 0037 INS TRF SIG PL AM(S) 1 ARM (32') installed by contractor

#### Estimator Detailed Estimate

| 60442001<br>0038 VIVDS | 1.0000<br>PROCESSOR SYSTEM | EA    | @ |                           |
|------------------------|----------------------------|-------|---|---------------------------|
|                        |                            |       |   |                           |
| 60442002               | 3.0000                     | EA    | @ |                           |
| 0039 VIVDS             | CAMERA ASSEMBLY            |       |   |                           |
| 60442003               | 1.0000                     | EA    | @ |                           |
| 0040 VIVDS             | SET-UP SYSTEM              |       |   |                           |
| 60442004               | 1.0000                     | EA    | @ |                           |
| 0041 VIVDS             | CENTRAL CONTROL            |       | - |                           |
| 60442005               | 725.0000                   | LF    | Q |                           |
|                        | COMMUNICATION CABLE        |       | - |                           |
|                        |                            |       |   |                           |
| 06862035               | 1.0000                     | EA    | @ | To be provided by County, |
| 0043 INS T             | RF SIG PL AM(S) 1 ARM      | (36') |   | contractor installed by   |

#### **GENERAL NOTES:**

#### Table 1 COMPACTION REQUIREMENTS FOR BASE COURSES PERCENT OF DENSITY AS DETERMINED BY COMPACTION RATIO (TEX-114-E)

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION             | OUTSIDE ROADWAY<br>COURSE * DENSITY |
|------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 132  | EMBANK(DENS CONT)(TY B) | (SEE BELOW)                         |
|      |                         |                                     |

#### Table 2 BASIS OF ESTIMATE

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION  | RATE                       |
|------|--|----------------------------|
| 314  | EMULS ASPH (CSS-1H)  | 0.20 GAL/SY                |
| 340  | HOT MIX ASPHALTIC CONCRETE<br>TY D ASPH 5.0% & AGGR 95.0%(BY WEIGHT) | 1.98 T/CY<br>1" = 110# /SY |
|      | TY C ASPH 4.0% & AGGR 96.0% (BY WEIGHT)                              |                            |

#### SCOPE OF CONTRACT AND SEQUENCE OF WORK

#### SQWOR2

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL MAINTAIN EXISTING SANITARY SEWER AND WATER SERVICES TO ALL THE PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE PROJECT. ALL SUCH WORK WILL BE SUBSIDIARY TO THE VARIOUS BID ITEMS.

#### SQWOR3

UPON ISSUANCE OF A WORK ORDER BY THE COUNTY, SUBMIT FOR APPROVAL, A PROPOSED SEQUENCE OF CONSTRUCTION, TO WHICH, CHANGES WILL NOT BE PERMITTED UNLESS APPROVED IN WRITING.

#### SQWOR4

PROVIDE AUTOMOBILE AND PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AT ALL TIMES, INCLUDING SATURDAYS, SUNDAYS, AND HOLIDAYS. THIS ACCESS INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, DRIVEWAYS, STREETS, PARKING AREAS, AND WALKWAYS. THIS REQUIREMENT IS SUBSIDIARY TO THE VARIOUS BID ITEMS.

#### SQWOR6

EXISTING PAVEMENT, UTILITIES, STRUCTURES, ETC., DAMAGED AS A RESULT OF THE OPERATIONS, WILL BE REPAIRED AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO THE COUNTY.

#### SQWOR7

VIBRATORY ROLLERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED, UNLESS APPROVED IN WRITING.

#### SQWOR8

DO NOT LEAVE VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT OR MATERIAL WITHIN 30 FEET OF ANY MAINLANE NOR WITHIN 9 FEET OF ANY SERVICE ROADS WHEN NOT IN USE.

#### SQWOR9

DO NOT DISCHARGE ANY LIQUID POLLUTANTS ONTO THE PROJECT AREA.

#### SQWOR10

MAINTAIN TRAVELED SURFACES USED IN HAULING OPERATIONS CLEAR AND FREE OF DIRT OR OTHER MATERIAL.

#### SQWOR11

WHEN MOVING OR CROSSING EQUIPMENT ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, PROTECT PAVEMENT FROM DAMAGE, AS DIRECTED.

#### SQWOR12

MAINTAIN THE ENTIRE PROJECT AREA IN A NEAT, ORDERLY MANNER THROUGHOUT DURATION OF THE PROJECT.

#### SQWOR13

PREVENT DAMAGE TO AREAS OF RIGHT-OF-WAY WHICH ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE ACTUAL LIMITS OF CONSTRUCTION.

#### SQWOR14

ALL ROADWAY EXCAVATION SECTIONS AND EMBANKMENT SECTIONS (AT GRADE CHANGES) MUST HAVE LESS THAN A 2-INCH VERTICAL DIFFERENCE IN LANE ELEVATIONS. THERE MUST BE LESS THAN A 24-INCH DROP OFF AT THE EDGE OF LANES IN THESE SECTIONS.

# SQWOR17

UNDERGROUND WORK- THE CONTRACTOR SHALL POTHOLE AT 25 FOOT INTERVALS OR AS DIRECTED, TO THE PROPOSED ELEVATIONS, WHERE ALL PROPOSED UTILITY WATERLINES, PROPOSED SANITARY SEWER LINES, PROPOSED STORM SEWER LINES, PROPOSED MANHOLES, PROPOSED INLETS, PROPOSED FOUNDATIONS, PROPOSED PONDS AND ROADWAY DEPRESSED SECTIONS WILL BE PLACED. THIS WORK WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE INSTALLATION/CONSTRUCTION OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED FACILITIES. THE INTENT OF WHICH IS TO DETERMINE IF ANY CONFLICTS WITH OTHER BURRIED UTILITIES OR STRUCTURES MAY EXSIST. IF THE CONTRACTOR DETERMINES THAT A CONFLICT WILL EXIST WITH A PROPOSED LINE, THE ENGINEER WILL BE NOTIFY AND ADDITIONAL EXPOSURE OF THE CONFLICT MAY BE REQUIRED OF THE CONTRACTOR TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT OF THE CONFLICT. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL FILL THE POTHOLES UP TO THE BOTTOM OF THE PAVEMENT SURFACE AFTER EXCAVATING WITH MATERIAL FROM THE HOLE AND COMPACT TO 95% DENSITY. THE HOLES WILL THEN BE PATCHED WITH A SUITABLE HOT MIX ASPHALT CONCRETE MATERIAL AS DIRECTED. THE CONTRACTOR WILL THEN MAINTAIN THESE PATCHES IN GOOD REPAIR UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE PAVEMENT SURFACE IS OBLITERATED BY PROPOSED ROADWAY WORK. ALL EQUIPMENT, LABOR, AND MATERIALS ASSOSIATED WITH THIS WORK WILL BE CONSIDERED SUBSIDIARY TO THE VARIOUS BID ITEMS.

ITEM 7 - LEGAL RELATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE PUBLIC

7:N1

THE ROADWAY MUST BE OPEN TO TRAFFIC AT ALL TIMES. ACCESS TO ALL DRIVEWAYS AND SIDE ROADS, IS TO BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES.

ITEM 8 - PROSECUTION AND PROGRESS

8:N1

PROVIDE A CRITICAL-PATH-METHOD SCHEDULE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIAL PROVISION 008-010.

# PROJECT CONTRACT TIME FOR COMPLETION

THIS PROJECT IS TO BE COMPLETED IN <u>100 WORKING DAYS</u> AND WILL BE ACCEPTED WHEN FULLY COMPLETED AND FINISHED TO THE SATISFACTION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE. THE 100 WORKING DAYS WILL BE COMPUTED AND CHARGED IN ACCORDANCE WITH **SECTION 8.3.A.3**, "**SEVEN-DAY WORKWEEK**".

8:N2

SUBMIT A PROPOSED SEQUENCE OF CONTRUCTION FOR APPROVAL UPON ISSURANCE OF A WORK ORDER. NO CHANGES WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE APPROVED SEQUENCE, EXCEPT, AS APPROVED IN WRITING.

8:N3

ALL FLAGGERS MUST WATCH THE INSTRUCTIONAL VIDEO PROVIDED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. SUBMIT A LIST OF ALL QUALIFIED FLAGGERS PRIOR TO BEGINNING ANY FLAGGING ACTIVITIES.

8:N4

OPEN SEASON FOR THE PLACEMENT OF HOT ASPHALTIC CONCRETE PAVEMENT WILL BE FROM APRIL 15 TO OCTOBER 15.

ITEM 9 - MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT

9:N1

SUBMIT MATERIAL-ON-HAND PAYMENT REQUESTS AT LEAST THREE WORKING DAYS BEFORE THE END OF THE MONTH FOR PAYMENT CONSIDERATION ON THAT MONTH'S ESTIMATE

ITEM 110 - EXCAVATION (RDWY)

#### 110:N3

ALL WORK REQUIRED TO SAW-CUT THE EXISTING PAVEMENT, CONCRETE SIDEWALKS, DRIVEWAYS, ETC., AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS, OR AS DIRECTED WILL BE CONSIDERED SUBSIDIARY TO THIS ITEM.

ITEM 247 - FLEXIBLE BASE

#### 247:N1

FLEXIBLE BASE SHALL BE, TYPE "A", GRADE 1 (COMPLETE IN PLACE), EXCEPT THAT THE MAXIMUM PI SHALL BE 15. ALL MATERIAL SHALL MEET OR EXCEED TRIAXIAL CLASS 3 WHEN TESTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS METHOD TEX-117-E, "TRIAXIAL COMPRESSION TEST FOR DISTURBED SOILS AND BASE MATERIALS, PART I," BEFORE BEING DELIVERED TO THE ROADWAY.

#### 247:N2

MATERIAL TOLERANCES WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 247.2.1.FOR GRADATION AND PLASTICITY INDEX, AND SECTION 247.4.C.2. FOR DENSITY.

#### 247:N3

ALL FLEXIBLE BASE SHALL BE CRUSHED LIMESTONE AND HAVE A MINIMUM TRIAXIAL CLASS OF 3 AS DETERMINED USING TEX-117-E(PART I).

ITEMS 314 - EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TREATMENT

#### 314:N1

EMULSIFIED ASPHALT, TO BE APPLIED TO THE EXISTING PAVEMENT AS A TACK COAT, SHALL BE MIXED ACCORDING TO THE EXISTING AMBIENT TEMPERATURE. AT HIGH AMBIENT TEMPERATURES, THE MIXTURE SHALL CONSIST OF 50% EMULISIFIED ASPHALT TO 50% WATER. AT LOW AMBIENT TEMPERATURES, THE MIXTURE SHALL CONSIST OF 75% EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TO 25% WATER.

#### 314:N2

ONLY CSS-1H WILL BE USED, UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED.

314:N4

APPLY AS PRIMING MATERIAL, AT A MIXTURE OF 5 - 10% EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TO 95 - 90% WATER, UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

#### 314:N5

THE TYPE OF ASPHALT AND THE RESPECTIVE APPLICATION RATES WILL BE SPECIFIED BEFORE APPLICATION. DIFFERENT APPLICATION RATES MAY BE SPECIFIED FOR THE TYPE OF ASPHALT BEING USED.

#### 314:N6

THE EMULSIFIED ASPHALT AND WATER MIXTURE SHALL BE APPLIED AND INCORPORATED INTO THE TOP PORTION OF SUBBASE OR BASE COURSE LAYERS, AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS, OR AS DIRECTED.

#### 314:N7

DO NOT PLACE DURING OCTOBER THRU APRIL UNLESS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED, IN WRITING.

#### 314:N8

FLAT WHEEL ROLLER, AS DESCRIBED IN ARTICLE 210.2, FOR SURFACE TREATMENTS WILL BE USED WHEN DIRECTED. IF NATURAL LIMESTONE ROCK ASPHALT AGGREGATE IS USED, THE ASPHALT ANTISTRIPPING AGENT WILL NOT BE REQUIRED.

#### 314:N9

TREATMENT UNDER THIS ITEM SHALL APPLY TO THE TOP SIX INCHES OF FLEXIBLE BASE AT LOCATIONS SHOWN IN THE PLANS, OR AS DIRECTED.

#### 314:N10

APPLY EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TREATMENT AS A DUST PREVENTATIVE AS DIRECTED.

#### 314:N11

EMULSIFIED ASPHALT PLACED AS PRIME MATERIAL ON FLEXIBLE BASE WILL BE APPLIED AS A MIXTURE OF 5%-10% EMULSIFIED ASPHALT TO 95%-90% WATER. PLACE EMULSIFIED ASPHALT IN VARIOUS APPLICATIONS AND INCORPORATE INTO THE TOP 6-INCHES OF FLEXIBLE BASE DURING FINISHING OPERATIONS.

#### 314:N12

EMULSIFIED ASPHALT WILL BE APPLIED WITH AN APPROVED TYPE OF SELF-PROPELLED PRESSURE DISTRIBUTOR.

#### 314:N13

THE TYPE OF ASPHALT AND RESPECTIVE APPLICATION RATES WILL BE SPECIFIED OR REVISED BY THE ENGINEER PRIOR TO APPLICATION.

ITEM 416 - DRILLED SHAFT FOUNDATIONS

416:N2

PLACE LUMINAIRE POLE FOUNDATIONS AT THE EDGE OF THE SIDEWALK AS SHOWN ON PLANS OR BETWEEN THE SIDEWALK AND THE R.O.W. LINE, AS DIRECTED, TO ENSURE DRILL SHAFT PLACEMENT DOES NOT CONFLICT WITH UTILITY LINES.

ITEM 432 - RIPRAP

432:N1

PROVIDE TYPE II CEMENT AND CLASS "B" CONCRETE.

432:N2

ONLY BAR REINFORCEMENT SHALL BE USED.

432:N6

CONCRETE RIPRAP SHALL HAVE A SMOOTH (WOOD FLOAT) FINISH, UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.

432:N7

ALL STONE RIPRAP MATERIAL SOURCES SHALL BE APPROVED.

ITEM 529 - CONCRETE CURB, GUTTER AND COMBINED CURB AND GUTTE

#### 529:N1

IN PLACE OF THE GRADATION OF COARSE AGGREGATE FOR THESE ITEMS, THE CONTRACTOR MAY USE AGGREGATE OF THE FOLLOWING GRADATION:

| 1 INCH SIEVE   | 0%   |
|----------------|--|
| 3/4 INCH SIEVE | 0 - 10%                                      |
| 3/8 INCH SIEVE | 45 - 80%                                     |
| #4 SIEVE       | 90 - 100%                                    |
| #8 SIEVE       | 95 - 100%                                    |
|                | 3/4 INCH SIEVE<br>3/8 INCH SIEVE<br>#4 SIEVE |

# 529:N2

TYPE II CEMENT AND CLASS A CONCRETE FOR THESE ITEMS UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN IN THE PLANS.

529:N3

USE BAR REINFORCEMENT FOR THIS ITEM AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS.

# 529:N5

THIS ITEM WILL BE PLACED WHERE SHOWN ON THE PLANS OR AS DIRECTED.

529:N6

THIS ITEM WILL BE PAYMENT FOR THE PLACEMENT OF CURB CUTS SHOWN AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS ON THE PLANS.

ITEM 610 - ROADWAY ILLUMINATION ASSEMBLIES

610:N1

ALL LUMINAIRES SHALL BE RATED FOR OPERATION AT 480 VOLTS.

ITEM 618 - CONDUIT

#### 618:N1

FOR CONDUIT PLACEMENT IN PAVEMENT, AN EARTHSAW MAY BE USED PROVIDED THE CUT DOES NOT EXCEED 6".

#### 618:N3

BACKFILL ROADWAY AND DRIVEWAY TRENCH WITH CEMENT STABILIZED BACKFILL AT THE END OF EACH WORKING DAY. PROVIDE INGRESS AND EGRESS FOR DRIVEWAYS AT THE END OF EACH DAY. PLACE ACP PATCH AT THE END OF THE WEEK OR AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.

#### 618:N5

FIT BOTH ENDS OF EACH RACEWAY WITH A TEMPORARY CAP TO PREVENT DIRT AND DEBRIS FROM ENTERING DURING CONSTRUCTION.

ITEM 620 - ELECTRICAL CONDUCTORS

# 620:N1

PROVIDE BREAKAWAY ELECTRICAL CONNECTORS FOR BREAKAWAY POLES. USE BUSSMAN HEBW, LITTLEFUSE LEB, FERRAZ-SHAWMUT FEB, OR EQUAL ON UNGROUNDED CONDUCTORS. FOR GROUNDED CONDUCTORS, USE BUSSMAN HET, LITTLEFUSE LET, FERRAZ-SHAWMUT FEBN, OR EQUAL. THESE BREAKAWAY CONNECTORS HAVE A WHITE COLORED MARKING AND A PERMANENTLY INSTALLED SOLID NEUTRAL. SEE THE LATEST RID (2) STANDARD FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS

# 620:N2

BOND METAL JUNCTION BOXES AND METAL CONDUIT TO THE CIRCUIT GROUNDING CONDUCTOR IN ACCORDANCE TO THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE (NEC).

# 620:N3

DO NOT USE NON-CERTIFIED PERSONS TO PERFORM ELECTRICAL WORK. SEE ITEM 7.15 "ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS" FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

ELECTRICAL CERTIFICATION MAY BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE (TEEX) AT (979)845-6563 AND ASKING FOR INFORMATION ON THE TXDOT ELECTRICAL SYSTEM COURSE. ITEM 624 - GROUND BOXES

# ITEM 666 - REFLECTORIZED PAVEMENT MARKINGS

#### 666:N1

PLACE PERMANENT PAVEMENT MARKINGS TWO WEEKS AFTER FINAL SURFACING IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITEM 662.

#### 666:N2

FIELD LOCATE AND RECORD BY SURVEY THE EXISTING STRIPE ALIGNMENT. PLACE FINAL PAVEMENT MARKINGS IN THE ORIGINAL LOCATION, OR AS DIRECTED.

#### 666:N3

USE A PILOT LINE FOR FINAL STRIPING AND REMOVE PILOT LINE AFTER ALL STRIPING IS COMPLETE. REMOVAL WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE METHODS SPECIFIED IN ITEM 677 AND WILL BE SUBSIDIARY TO THIS PAY ITEM.

#### 666:N4

AFTER PLACEMENT OF THE FIRST COURSE SURFACE TREATMENT AS SHOWN IN THE PLANS OR AS DIRECTED, APPLY TYPE II MARKING MATERIALS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH DMS-8200, AFTER 3 DAYS AND NO LATER THAN 14 DAYS.

#### 666:N5

AIR BLASTING IS REQUIRED AS PAVEMENT SURFACE PREPARATION.

666:N6

TY III DROP-ON GLASS BEADS SHALL BE USED ON ALL STRIPING.

ITEM 680 - INSTALLATION OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SIGNALS

680:N1

TRANSFORMER BASES OR SHOE BASES FOR STEEL MAST ARM POLE ASSEMBLIES CAPABLE OF A MINIMUM OF 15 DEGREES ROTATION WILL BE ACCEPTABLE.

# 680:N2

USE METALLIC MATERIAL FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL HEADS AND MOUNTING HARDWARE. DO NOT USE POLYCARBONATE MATERIAL.

# 680:N3

TURN SIGNAL HEADS DOWN WHEN NOT IN OPERATION.

#### 680:N4

PLACE NEW SIGNAL INSTALLATIONS ON "FLASH" ACCORDING TO FLASHING SEQUENCE SHOWN ON THE PLANS FOR THREE DAYS PRIOR TO NORMAL OPERATION.

#### 680:N5

PARTIAL ACCEPTANCE OF EACH SIGNALIZED INTERSECTION, AS APPROVED, WILL BE ALLOWED, AND THE CONTRACTOR WILL BE RELEASED FROM FURTHER MAINTENANCE ON THAT PARTICULAR INTERSECTION. SUCH PARTIAL ACCEPTANCE WILL BE MADE IN WRITING AND SHALL NOT VOID, OR ALTER, THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT.

#### 680:N7

PROVIDE 170-SERIES TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLER, CABINET AND RELATED EQUIPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SPECIAL SPECIFICATION \_\_\_\_\_.

ITEM 684 – TRAFFIC SIGNAL CABLE

#### 684:N1

NO ELECTRICAL SPLICES OR CONNECTIONS OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL CABLE WILL BE ALLOWED IN GROUND BOXES UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED.



# COUNTY OF EL PASO, TEXAS 2004 WAGE RESULTS

# Paving and Street Construction, Dirt Work, Heavy Construction, Pipeline Work Wage Rates 2004 (Excludes Highway Construction)

| CLASSIFICATION  | BASE WAGE | TOTAL FRINGE     | PREVAILING |
|---|-----------|------------------|------------|
|   | PER HR.   | BENEFITS PER HR. | WAGE RATE  |
| Asphalt Distributor Operator  | 12.00     | 0.00             | 12.00      |
| Asphalt Paving Machine Operator   | 8.91      | 0.00             | 8.91       |
| Asphalt Raker   | 9.00      | 0.00             | 9.00       |
| Carpenter   | 8.75      | 0.00             | 8.75       |
| Concrete Finisher – Paving  | 8.00      | 0.00             | 8.00       |
| Concrete Finisher – Structure   | 9.40      | 0.00             | 9.40       |
| Electrician   | 17.30     | 0.22             | 17.52      |
| Form Setter – Paving and Curb   | 8.90      | 0.00             | 8.90       |
| Ironworker – Structural   | 10.50     | 0.00             | 10.50      |
| Laborer – Skilled   | 7.39      | 0.00             | 7.39       |
| Laborer – Common  | 7.00      | 0.00             | 7.00       |
| Mechanic  | 12.75     | 0.00             | 12.75      |
| Heavy Equipment Operator: 2-1/2 C.Y. and over or 25 Tons and over                   | 9.00      | 0.00             | 9.00       |
| Medium Equipment Operator: >1-1/2 C.Y. and<br><2-1/2 C.Y. or > 5 Tons and < 25 Tons | 8.11      | 1.95             | 10.06      |
| Light Equipment Operator: 1-1/2 C.Y. or less or 5 Tons or less                      | 7.68      | 0.00             | 7.68       |
| Pipe Layer  | 8.50      | 0.00             | 8.50       |
| Reinforcing Steel Setter  | 10.00     | 0.00             | 10.00      |
| Servicer  | 10.00     | 0.00             | 10.00      |
| Truck Driver–Heavy: over 26,000# haul capacity                                      | 8.00      | 0.00             | 8.00       |
| Welder – Same as classification   |           |                  |            |



#### County of El Paso, Texas, 2004 Wage Survey Results

# Building Construction Trades Wage Rates 2004 (Excludes Residential Construction)

| CLASSIFICATION  | BASE WAGE PER<br>HR. | FRINGE BENEFITS<br>PER HR. | PREVAILING<br>WAGE RATE |
|---|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Air Conditioning Mechanic   | 13.50                | 0.00                       | 13.50                   |
| Asbestos/Abatement  | 10.00                | 0.00                       | 10.00                   |
| Bricklayer/Stone Mason  | 17.84                | 0.00                       | 17.84                   |
| Carpenter (Includes Acoustical Ceiling Installer & Millwright)                                  | 17.87                | 0.00                       | 17.87                   |
| Caulker (Sealant)   | 9.50                 | 0.00                       | 9.50                    |
| Cement Mason / Concrete Finisher  | 10.50                | 0.00                       | 10.50                   |
| Drywall Installer   | 16.25                | 3.24                       | 19.49                   |
| Electrician   | 17.30                | 3.97                       | 21.27                   |
| Electronic Technician   | 9.00                 | 0.00                       | 9.00                    |
| Elevator Constructor  | 23.77                | 9.57                       | 33.34                   |
| Floor Layer – Resilient & Carpet  | 11.00                | 0.00                       | 11.00                   |
| Glazier   | 10.00                | 0.82                       | 10.82                   |
| Ironworker – Structural   | 10.25                | 0.00                       | 10.25                   |
| Laborer – Skilled   | 12.78                | 2.40                       | 15.18                   |
| Laborer – Common  | 8.88                 | 0.00                       | 8.88                    |
| Operator – Crane  | 17.85                | 0.00                       | 17.85                   |
| Operator – Heavy Equipment:<br>2-1/2 C.Y. and over Or 25 Tons and over                          | 16.03                | 0.00                       | 16.03                   |
| Operator – Medium Equipment: $> 1-1/2$ C.Y.<br>and $< 2-1/2$ C.Y. or $> 5$ Tons and $< 25$ Tons | 15.58                | 0.00                       | 15.58                   |
| Operator – Light Equipment: 1-1/2 C.Y. or less or 5 Tons or less                                | 8.50                 | 0.00                       | 8.50                    |
| Painter   | 8.00                 | 0.00                       | 8.00                    |
| Plasterer (Includes EIFS)   | 11.00                | 0.00                       | 11.00                   |
| Plumber & Pipefitter (Includes Certified Irrigator<br>and Insulator –Pipe & Equipment)          | 14.50                | 0.00                       | 14.50                   |
| Reinforcing Steel Setter  | 15.37                | 0.00                       | 15.37                   |
| Roofer  | 9.00                 | 0.00                       | 9.00                    |
| Sheet Metal Worker  | 14.00                | 0.00                       | 14.00                   |
| Sprinkler Fitter  | 13.00                | 0.00                       | 13.00                   |
| Tile Setter & Terrazzo Worker   | 9.50                 | 0.00                       | 9.50                    |
| Truck Driver – Heavy – over 26,000# hauling capacity  | 8.00                 | 0.00                       | 8.00                    |
| Truck Driver – Light – less than 26,000# capacity<br>Welder – Same as classification            | 9.00                 | 0.00                       | 9.00                    |

# 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 passthrough 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 (OMB Circular A129), 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 (a)

(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 (OMB 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

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup>All four (4) pages of this document must be included in all responses.

# COUNTY OF EL PASO PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 500 EAST SAN ANTONIO, ROOM PU500, EL PASO, TEXAS 79901 (915) 546-2048, FAX: (915) 546-8180 PITI VASQUEZ, PURCHASING AGENT JOSE LOPEZ, JR. ASST. PURCHASING AGENT CLAUDIA SEPULVEDA, BID CLERK/BUYER

# **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. <u>THE EL PASO COUNTY CODE</u> 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\***

1. 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.

2. What percentage, if any, of your of your subcontractor's employees are currently enrolled in the health insurance benefits program?

**El Paso County may consider provision of health insurance benefits as part of the overall "best value" determination**. Failure to provide health insurance benefits will not disqualify you from participating in this bid selection process.

**Business Name** 

Date

Name of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>\*</sup> This page must be included in all responses.



COUNTY OF EL PASO County Purchasing Department 500 East San Antonio, Suite PU500 El Paso, Texas 79901 (915) 546-2048 (915) 546-8180 Fax

RE: Bid #06-037, Traffic Signal Installation at Eastlake Boulevard and Rojas Drive

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 Dolores Briones<br>Commissioner Larry Medina<br>Commissioner Betti Flores<br>Commissioner Miguel Teran<br>Commissioner Dan Haggerty   |
|-------------------|--|
| County Employees: | Piti Vasquez, Purchasing Agent<br>Jose Lopez, Jr., Assistant Purchasing Agent<br>Claudia Sepulveda, Bid Clerk/Buyer<br>Ernesto Carrizal III, P.E., Assistant Public Works Director<br>Robert Rivera, Public Works Director |

Please note that the state law requires that the Questionnaire be filed with the **COUNTY CLERK** no later than <u>the 7<sup>th</sup> business day after submitting an application, response to</u> <u>an RFP, RFQ or bid</u> 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

#### 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 questionnaire 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.

| <b>CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE</b><br>For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity   | FORM CIQ   |
|---|--|
| This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with chapter 176 of the Local Government Code by a person doing business with the governmental entity.<br>By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local government not later than the 7th business day after the date the person becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. <i>See</i> Section 176.006, Local Government Code.<br>A person committs an offense if the person violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code.   | OFFICE USE ONLY Date Received  |
| <ul> <li>Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire.<br/>(The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate September 1 of the year for which an activity described in Section 176.006(a), Local Goven not later than the 7th business day after the date the originally filed questionnaire becom</li> <li>Name each employee or contractor of the local governmental entity who makes recomme officer of the governmental entity with respect to expenditures of money AND describe the aff</li> </ul> | ernment Code, is pending and<br>nes incomplete or inaccurate.)<br>ndations to a local government |
| A Name each local government officer who appoints or employs local government officers of which this questionnaire is filed AND describe the affiliation or business relationship.  | the governmental entity for  |

|  | <b>CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE</b><br>For vendor or other person doing business with local governmental entity  | FORM CIQ<br>Page 2 |  |
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| 5  | <sup>5</sup> Name of local government officer with whom filer has affilitation or business relationship. (Complete this section on if the answer to A, B, or C is YES.   |                    |  |
| This section, item 5 including subparts A, B, C & D, must be completed for each officer with whom the filer has affiliation or ot relationship. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.     |  |                    |  |
|  | A. Is the local government officer named in this section receiving or likely to receive taxable income from the questionnaire?   | he filer of the    |  |
|  | Yes No   |                    |  |
|  | B. Is the filer of the questionnaire receiving or likely to receive taxable income from or at the direction of the officer named in this section AND the taxable income is not from the local governmental entity? | ocal government    |  |
|  | Yes No   |                    |  |
| C. Is the filer of this questionnaire affiliated with a corporation or other business entity that the local government officer ser as an officer or director, or holds an ownership of 10 percent or more? |  | ent officer serves |  |
|  | Yes No   |                    |  |
| D. Describe each affiliation or business relationship.   |  |                    |  |
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|  |  |                    |  |
|  | Signature of person doing business with the governmental entity Date   | _                  |  |