LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (LRGVDC) / RIO GRANDE VALLEY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RGVMPO)

Request for Qualifications - Required Form Packet

Hidalgo County West Loop Planning Environmental Linkages Study

No: 2026-07

The following forms must be completed and submitted with the submission:

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SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
October 30, 2026, by 5pm (CST)

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC)
301 W Railroad St. Weslaco, TX 78596
https://www.lrgvdc.org/procurement.html

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Solicitation Acknowledgement Form

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

The undersigned hereby proposes and agrees to be bound by the requirements, terms and conditions and any and all amendments issued by the LRGVDC and made a part of this solicitation and as set forth or referenced in this RFP/RFQ. The undersigned further certifies that he/she is legally authorized to make statements and representations in its response to this solicitation and that said statements and representations are true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge. The undersigned understands and agrees that when evaluating bids and making an award decision, the LRGVDC relies on the truth and accuracy of the statements and representations presented in the bid response. Accordingly, the LRGVDC has the right to suspend or debar the undersigned from this process and/or terminate any contract award that may have resulted from this solicitation if the LRGVDC determines that any statements or representations made were not true and accurate. If awarded the undersigned agrees to furnish all services as described on the scope of services and any negotiations thereafter.

EXECUTED this ____ day of _____, 20___ .

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Firm: _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by _____,

on the _____ day of _____ , 20___ .

_____ _____

Notary Public, State of Texas *Commission Expiration*

This Acknowledgement must be filed with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council and be maintained as part of the permanent procurement record.

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Authorization and Responsibility Certification

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

The undersigned hereby proposes and agrees, if awarded a contract pursuant to this solicitation, to furnish all services, plans, labor, materials, supplies, equipment, tools, transportation, supervision, and all other facilities and things necessary to perform the work in full compliance with the terms, conditions, specifications, and requirements set forth herein.

The Offeror further acknowledges and certifies that it possesses the qualifications, experience, resources, and financial capability necessary to perform the required services in a timely and satisfactory manner and to fulfill all contractual obligations.

Offeror Information

Legal Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Authorized Representative (Print Name): _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by _____ , on the _____day of _____, 20____.

_____ _____

Notary Public, State of Texas **Commission Expiration**

Attachment 3

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Bidder / Offeror Information Form

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

This form must be completed and submitted with all bids, proposals, or statements of qualifications. Information provided will be used for vendor identification, responsibility determination, and official procurement records. All fields are required unless otherwise noted.

Section I – General Information

Legal Business Name:	
DBA (if applicable):	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Physical Address (if different):	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Website:	
Authorized Representative Name and Title:	
Primary Contact (if different):	

Section II – Business Entity Information

Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN):	
Unique Entity Identifier (UEI / SAM.gov):	
Texas Comptroller Vendor ID (if applicable):	
Type of Business Entity (check one):	
☐ Corporation ☐ LLC ☐ Partnership ☐ Sole Proprietor ☐ Nonprofit ☐ Other:	
State of Incorporation / Formation:	
Date Established:	
Is the business authorized to conduct operations in Texas? ☐ Yes ☐ No	

Section III – Certification and Signature

I hereby certify that the information provided herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I am authorized to bind the company or organization named above in contractual matters with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council.

_____ _____ _____

Authorized Representative Signature *Title* *Date*

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Vendor Responsibility Questionnaire

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

All prospective vendors, contractors, or consultants must complete this questionnaire as part of the LRGVDC responsibility determination process. The information provided will assist the LRGVDC in evaluating financial capacity, technical ability, and compliance with applicable laws and regulations. All questions must be answered; attach additional sheets if necessary.

Section I – General Business Information

Legal Business Name:	
DBA (if applicable):	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Website:	
Primary Contact Person and Title:	

Section II – Business Profile

Type of Organization (Corporation, LLC, Partnership, etc.):	
State of Incorporation / Formation:	
Number of Years in Business:	
Number of Employees:	
Primary NAICS Code(s):	
Is your firm a certified DBE, MBE, WBE, or HUB? (☐ Yes ☐ No):	
If yes, list certification(s) and agency(ies):	
Is your firm registered in SAM.gov? (☐ Yes ☐ No) UEI #:	

Section III – Financial Responsibility

1. Has your organization or any of its principals ever filed for bankruptcy or been declared insolvent?
   ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
2. Does your organization have any outstanding liens, judgments, or pending claims that could impact financial stability? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Section IV – Legal and Performance History

1. Has your organization or any of its owners or officers been debarred, suspended, or declared ineligible to contract with any public agency? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
2. Has your firm been terminated for cause or default on any contract within the past five (5) years? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
3. Are there any pending civil or criminal actions against your firm or any principal officers? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

4. Has your firm ever failed to complete a contract? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

5. Has your firm been involved in any labor law violations, OSHA citations, or environmental violations in the past five (5) years? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered 'Yes' to any of the above, provide an explanation below and attach supporting documentation.

Section V – Certification

I hereby certify that the information provided herein is complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any misrepresentation or omission may be grounds for disqualification or contract termination. I further authorize the LRGVDC to verify any information contained in this questionnaire.

_____	_____	_____
Authorized Representative Signature	*Title*	*Date*

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Certification of Incorporation / Authorization to do Business in Texas

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

Contractor must submit certification of incorporation in the State of Texas or must show proof of authorization to do business in the State of Texas.

I, the undersigned, certify that the entity named below is duly incorporated, organized, or otherwise legally authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas.

Legal Business Name: _____

Type: _____

State of Incorporation/Organization: _____

Texas Secretary of State File Number (if applicable): _____

Texas Comptroller Taxpayer Number (if applicable): _____

Address Of Principal Office:

Address:	
City:	
State:	
Zip:	

☐ Attached is a copy of the Certificate of Formation/Certificate of Authority or other documentation issued by the Texas Secretary of State.

I further certify that this business entity is in good standing and authorized to transact business in the State of Texas as of the date of this proposal.

Authorized Representative:

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Acknowledgment of Federal Requirements

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

This form must be completed and submitted by vendors, contractors, or consultants when a solicitation or resulting contract is funded in whole or in part with Federal assistance. The undersigned acknowledges awareness and understanding of the federal regulations and contract requirements applicable to federally funded procurements as outlined below.

Section I – Federal Compliance Acknowledgment

By signing this acknowledgment, the Contractor or Offeror certifies understanding that this procurement is subject to the requirements of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, codified at 2 CFR Part 200, as well as applicable program regulations issued by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), and other federal agencies.

The Contractor agrees to comply, as applicable, with the following federal laws, regulations, and requirements, including all future amendments during the term of the contract:

- 2 CFR Part 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards.
- 2 CFR Part 1201 – U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) Implementation of 2 CFR Part 200.
- FTA Circular 4220.1F – Third Party Contracting Requirements.
- FTA Master Agreement (current version).
- 49 U.S.C. § 5323 – Contracting and Procurement Requirements.
- 49 CFR Part 26 – Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE).
- 49 CFR Part 661 – Buy America Requirements.
- 49 CFR Part 663 – Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits for Rolling Stock Procurements.
- 29 CFR Parts 3 and 5 – Labor Standards, Davis–Bacon, and Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Acts.
- 41 CFR Part 60 – Equal Employment Opportunity Requirements.
- 2 CFR Part 180 and 1200 – Debarment and Suspension.
- 31 U.S.C. § 1352 and 49 CFR Part 20 – Restrictions on Lobbying.
- 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq. and 33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq. – Clean Air and Clean Water Acts.
- 49 CFR Part 38 – Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Standards for Transportation Vehicles.

Section II – Contractor Responsibility

The Contractor acknowledges responsibility for full compliance with all applicable federal requirements as a condition of contract award and performance. The Contractor further agrees to flow down all applicable requirements to any subcontracts, lower-tier agreements, or suppliers associated with this procurement.

Section III – Certification and Signature

By signing below, the authorized representative certifies that they have read and understood the federal requirements listed above and agree to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and conditions associated with federally funded contracts and purchases administered by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC).

_____	_____	_____
Authorized Representative Signature	*Title*	*Date*

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Certification Regarding Suspension and Debarment

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

This certification is required by federal and state regulations as a condition for contracting with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC).

Pursuant to 2 CFR Part 180 (OMB Guidelines on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension), 2 CFR Part 1200 (U.S. DOT/FTA Non-procurement Suspension and Debarment), 2 CFR Part 3000 (DHS/FEMA Adoption) and the Texas Government Code, Chapter 2155.077, the Offeror (including its principals, subcontractors, and suppliers):

1. ***Certifies*** that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in any federal, state, or local government program or contract;
2. ***Agrees*** that it will not knowingly enter into any contract or subcontract with a person or entity that is debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in federal, state, or local government programs;
3. ***Acknowledges*** that it has a continuing duty to disclose to LRGVDC, in writing, any change in its status or the status of its principals or subcontractors regarding suspension or debarment during the term of any contract awarded under this RFP.

Before an award can be made to your firm, you must certify that your organization and its principals are not suspended or debarred by a Federal or State agency.

I, the undersigned agent for the firm named below, certify that neither this firm nor its principals are suspended or debarred by a federal agency.

Name of Firm: _____

Address: _____

Authorized Official:

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Anti-Lobbying Certification

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. §1352, 49 CFR Part 20, and Texas Government Code §556.005, the undersigned certifies that:

- No federal, state, or local appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the Offeror, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any federal, state, or local agency, a Member of Congress, a member of the Texas Legislature, an officer or employee of Congress or the Legislature, or an employee of a Member of Congress or the Legislature in connection with the awarding of any federal, state, or local contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- If any non-federal funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence the awarding of this contract, the Offeror shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying."
- The Offeror shall ensure that the language of this certification is included in all subcontracts at all tiers and that all subcontractors shall certify and disclose accordingly.
- The Offeror acknowledges that compliance with this certification is a material condition of the contract, and violation of this provision may result in contract termination, suspension, or debarment.

Offeror Information

Legal Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Authorized Representative (Print Name): _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attachment 9

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Drug-Free Workplace Certification

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

This certification is required for all contractors, vendors, consultants, and subrecipients receiving awards or contracts funded in whole or in part with Federal assistance. Execution of this form constitutes compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. § 8102) and 2 CFR Part 182.

Section I – Contractor / Organization Information

Legal Business Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Authorized Representative Name:	
Title:	
Contact Phone / Email:	

Section II – Certification Statement

In accordance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and implementing regulations at 2 CFR Part 182, the undersigned hereby certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace by complying with the following requirements:

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition;
2. Establish an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about: (a) the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace; (b) the organization's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace; (c) available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and (d) the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations;
3. Notify each employee that as a condition of employment under any federal award, the employee must abide by the terms of the statement and notify the employer in writing of any conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) calendar days after such conviction;
4. Notify the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) and the applicable federal agency in writing within ten (10) calendar days after receiving notice of an employee's conviction under the preceding paragraph;
5. Take appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, or require satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program as required by law; and
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of these requirements.

Section III – Acknowledgment and Signature

By signing this certification, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees to maintain a drug-free workplace as required by federal law and understands that violation of these requirements may be cause for suspension, termination, or debarment from participation in federally assisted programs.

_____ _____ _____

Authorized Representative Signature *Title* *Date*

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Compliance Certification

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

This certification is required for all contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and vendors performing work under contracts or subcontracts exceeding $10,000 that are funded in whole or in part with Federal assistance. Execution of this form constitutes compliance with Executive Order 11246, as amended, and the implementing regulations contained in 41 CFR Part 60, as well as applicable provisions of 2 CFR Part 200 and FTA Circular 4220.1F.

Section I – Contractor / Organization Information

Legal Business Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Authorized Representative Name:	
Title:	
Contact Phone / Email:	

Section II – Certification Statement

In compliance with Executive Order 11246 and 41 CFR Part 60, the undersigned certifies that the organization named above does not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor further certifies that it will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to these factors. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following areas: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment, layoff, termination, rates of pay, and training.

The undersigned further certifies that it will include the provisions of this Equal Employment Opportunity clause in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by regulations, so that such provisions shall be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor agrees to comply with all reporting requirements and to permit access to its books, records, and accounts by authorized government officials for purposes of investigation.

Section III – Affirmative Action Requirements

If the Contractor or any of its subcontractors has 50 or more employees and a contract of $50,000 or more, the Contractor certifies that it has developed and maintains an Affirmative Action Plan (AAP) in accordance with 41 CFR Part 60-2 and will file all required reports, including the EEO-1 Report, as applicable.

Failure to comply with these requirements may result in contract suspension, termination, or debarment in accordance with federal regulations.

Section IV – Acknowledgment and Signature

By signing below, the authorized representative certifies that the information provided in this form is true and complete to the best of their knowledge, and that the Contractor agrees to comply fully with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations as stated above.

_____ _____ _____

Authorized Representative Signature *Title* *Date*

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Disenfranchised Business Enterprise (DBE) / Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Bidder Identification Form

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

The Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) recognizes both Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) certifications. Offerors are advised that DBE and HUB are not the same certification and must not be used interchangeably.

- **Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Certification is issued by the Texas Unified Certification Program (TUCP) under federal regulations.**
- **Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Certification is issued by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under State of Texas regulations.**

Vendors must correctly identify and provide proof of any and all certifications held to include any subcontractor. Documentation must clearly indicate whether the firm is certified as a DBE, a HUB, or both. Failure to accurately identify certifications may result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive or subject to clarification.

I hereby declare and affirm that i am the _____ and duly
(Title – Owner, President, CEO, etc.)
authorized representative of _____ and I hereby declare and affirm
(Name of Firm)
that I am a certified DBE and/or HUB.

This firm has current DBE and/or HUB certification from the following agencies and/or state(s):

_____

_____

☐ *A copy of the current certification and/or letter notifying the firm that it has been DBE/HUB certified must be attached to this form.*

☐ Check if Not Applicable. *(must sign below)*

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Schedule of DBE/HUB Subcontractor Participation

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

The Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) encourages the use of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) and Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in all contracting opportunities, in accordance with federal and State of Texas procurement regulations. Each Offeror shall submit a Schedule of DBE and/or HUB Subcontractor Participation form with their proposal, identifying all DBE and/or HUB firms expected to participate in any awarded contract as a result of this RFP. If no DBEs or HUBs will be utilized, the Offeror shall so indicate.

Contractors are responsible for verifying the required DBE or HUB participation percentage as stated in the RFP. DBE participation will be required for federally funded projects, and HUB participation will be required for State of Texas funded projects. If no percentage goal is listed for the project, the Contractor must, at a minimum, demonstrate a good faith effort to utilize DBE or HUB subcontractors when subcontracting opportunities are available.

For projects funded solely with local government funds, no statutory DBE or HUB participation percentage is mandated; however, the Contractor shall still make and document good faith efforts to include DBE and/or HUB subcontractors whenever subcontracting opportunities are available.

Participation Type as indicated in the RFQ *(check applicable)*.

☒ **Federal Funds (DBE required)**

Percentage: NA

☐ **State of Texas Funds (HUB required)**

Percentage: _____

☐ **LRGVDC General Operating Funds (Good Faith Efforts required)**

Name of Proposer: _____

DBE/HUB Subcontractor Information
(List all DBE subcontractors proposed for this contract. Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

DBE/ HUB Firm Name	Address/Phone/Email	Description of Work	% of Contract	Dollar Amount	Certifying Agency / DBE Cert. #
		Totals:			

(Use duplicate page if required)

All provisions, requirements, and obligations contained in this Request for Proposals (RFP) shall apply equally to any subcontractors engaged by the Contractor. The Prime Contractor is fully responsible for ensuring that all subcontractors comply with the applicable terms of the RFP.

The Prime Contractor shall remain liable for the performance of its subcontractors and for ensuring that subcontractors meet all contractual and regulatory obligations.

☐ **No DBE subcontractors will be used in this contract. Contractor must provide the signed Good Faith Effort Statement.**

Certification
I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and represents the DBE subcontracting participation associated with this proposal.

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

DBE/HUB Good Faith Efforts Statement

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

If the Offeror is unable to achieve the DBE/HUB subcontracting participation goals established for this project, the Offeror must demonstrate that it made good faith efforts to do so.

Name of Proposer: _____

I, the undersigned authorized representative of the Prime Contractor, do hereby certify the following:

- That the Prime Contractor has made good faith efforts to solicit and negotiate with Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) for participation in this contract.
- That the Prime Contractor has contacted DBE firms in a timely manner and provided sufficient information about the scope of work, plans, and specifications to allow for meaningful participation.
- That the Prime Contractor has documented outreach efforts, including but not limited to:
  - Direct solicitation of DBE firms by phone, email, or letter;
  - Advertising subcontracting opportunities in relevant trade and community publications;
  - Contacting community organizations and minority/women business groups;
- That all DBE firms contacted and the results of those contacts are listed in the attached documentation (including reasons for selection or non-selection).
- That despite these efforts, the Prime Contractor was unable to meet the DBE subcontracting participation goal established for this project.

Company Name	Certificate Type	Date Contacted	Vendor Response

Certification

I hereby affirm that the information provided in this Certification and that any attached documentation in reference this this good faith effort are true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further acknowledge that failure to make good faith efforts to secure DBE participation may render this proposal non-responsive and may affect contract award.

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____

Attachment 14

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Certification of No Conflict of Interest

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

This certification is required for all contractors, vendors, consultants, and subrecipients entering into agreements with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC). Execution of this form constitutes compliance with the conflict-of-interest requirements set forth in Texas Government Code §§ 2261.252 and 2262.004, Texas Local Government Code Chapter 171, and applicable federal and local conflict-of-interest policies.

Section I – Contractor / Organization Information

Legal Business Name:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, ZIP:	
Authorized Representative Name:	
Title:	
Contact Phone / Email:	

Section II – Certification Statement

By signing this certification, the undersigned certifies that to the best of their knowledge and belief:

1. No officer, employee, or agent of the LRGVDC has any financial interest, direct or indirect, in the contractor, its affiliates, or this contract;
2. No officer, employee, or agent of the LRGVDC has solicited, accepted, or been offered any gift, favor, or consideration, monetary or otherwise, from the contractor, its officers, employees, or agents;
3. The contractor has not offered, given, or agreed to give any person associated with the LRGVDC anything of value to obtain favorable treatment in the award of this contract; and
4. The contractor shall immediately disclose in writing to the LRGVDC any potential or actual conflict of interest discovered during the term of the contract.

The undersigned acknowledges that violation of these provisions may result in termination of the contract, disqualification from future awards, and potential civil or criminal penalties as provided by law.

Section III – Acknowledgment and Signature

By signing below, the authorized representative certifies that they have read and understood this certification and that the information provided herein is true, accurate, and complete to the best of their knowledge and belief.

_____	_____	_____
Authorized Representative Signature	*Title*	*Date*

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

FORM CIQ

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Session.

This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who has a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the vendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).

By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entity not later than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the statement to be filed. *See* Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.

A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An offense under this section is a misdemeanor.

1 **Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.**

2 ☐ **Check this box if you are filing an update 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 on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)

3 **Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed.**

Name of Officer

4 **Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local government officer, or a family member of the officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.**

A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?

☐ Yes ☐ No

B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?

☐ Yes ☐ No

5 **Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.**

6 ☐ Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a-1).

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Signature of vendor doing business with the governmental entity

Date

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE
For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

(A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;

(B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or

(C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

(a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:

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(2) the vendor:

(A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds $2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;

(B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than $100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:

(i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or

(ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

(a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:

(1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);

(2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or

(3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.

(a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:

(1) the date that the vendor:

(A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or

(B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or

(2) the date the vendor becomes aware:

(A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);

(B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or

(C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

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Non-Collusion Affidavit

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OFHIDALGO §

The Offeror hereby certifies that this proposal has been independently prepared and submitted without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition, in violation of applicable law, including but not limited to Texas Government Code §2155.003, the Texas Free Enterprise and Antitrust Act of 1983 (Texas Business & Commerce Code, Title 2, Chapter 15, §15.01 et seq.), the Sherman Antitrust Act (15 U.S.C. §§1–7), and the Clayton Antitrust Act (15 U.S.C. §§12–27). The Offeror further certifies that this proposal has not been knowingly disclosed to any other Offeror or competitor prior to the official opening of proposals, and that no attempt has been made or will be made to induce any other person, firm, or entity to submit or not submit a proposal for the purpose of limiting competition. The Offeror affirms that it has not, in any manner, sought by collusion, conspiracy, or anti-competitive practice to secure an unfair advantage over any other Offeror or the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC). This certification is made in compliance with 2 CFR Part 180 (OMB Guidelines for Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension), 2 CFR Part 1200 (DOT/FTA adoption), and 2 CFR Part 3000 (DHS/FEMA adoption), and is affirmed under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States and the State of Texas.

EXECUTED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Printed Name: _____ Signature: _____

Company: _____ Title: _____

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me by _____ , on the _____day of _____, 20____.

_____ _____
Notary Public, State of Texas **Commission Expiration**

This Affidavit must be filed with the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council and be maintained as part of the permanent procurement record.

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E-Verity Compliance Certification

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §673.002 and applicable federal requirements, the undersigned certifies as follows:

- The Offeror, and any subcontractors engaged in the performance of work under any contract awarded pursuant to this RFP, shall participate in and use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify program to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired during the term of the contract.
- The Offeror shall ensure that no subcontractor is retained to perform work under this contract unless the subcontractor certifies participation in E-Verify.
- The Offeror acknowledges and agrees that compliance with the E-Verify program is a material term of any contract awarded, and failure to comply may result in termination of the contract, suspension, or debarment from future contracting opportunities.
- The Offeror further certifies that it has the legal workforce authorization and financial capacity to perform the services as required under this RFP.

Offeror Information

Legal Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Authorized Representative (Print Name): _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Client References

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

Please provide three (3) references from entities other than LRGVDC, but similar, who can verify performance of similar or like services rendered specific in nature to this RFP.

***NOTE**: Inaccurate, obsolete, or negative responses may result in rejection of proposals.*

Name of Firm: _____

Reference One:

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person/Title: _____

Phone: Email: _____

Scope of Work Performed: _____

Contract Period: _____

Reference Two:

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person/Title: _____

Phone: Email: _____

Scope of Work Performed: _____

Contract Period: _____

Reference Three:

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person/Title: _____

Phone: Email: _____

Scope of Work Performed: _____

Contract Period: _____

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Addenda Acknowledgment

Solicitation Number: _____

Solicitation Title: _____

The Offerer hereby acknowledges receipt of all addenda issued by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) in connection with this Request for Qualifications (RFQ). The Offerer further acknowledges that it has reviewed, understands, and agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth in all such addenda, and that the addenda are hereby made a part of the Offeror's proposal submission. Failure to acknowledge receipt of addenda may result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive.

Addenda Status

☐ No addenda were issued in connection with this RFQ.

☐ Addenda were issued as follows:

	Date Received:	Initial
#1	_____	_____
#2	_____	_____
#3	_____	_____
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#9	_____	_____
#10	_____	_____

Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

Title: _____ **Date:** _____