



# County of Georgetown, South Carolina

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

**BID NUMBER:** 16-013 **ISSUE DATE:** Friday, February 5, 2016

**OPENING DATE:** Wednesday, Mar. 2, 2016 **OPENING TIME:** 3:30 PM (Eastern NIST)  
Bid Opening Location: Georgetown County Courthouse, Suite #239, (Purchasing Conference Room)

**Site Inspection:** **MANDATORY-PRE-BID** Wednesday, February 24, 2016, at 10:00AM EST,  
Georgetown County Courthouse, Suite #215, (County Council Chambers)

**PROCUREMENT FOR:** Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility  
Commodity Code(s): 91013

Subject to the conditions, provisions and the enclosed specifications, sealed bids will be received at the location and time stated herein and will be publicly opened and read.

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

County of Georgetown  
Post Office Drawer 421270  
Georgetown SC 29442-1270  
Attn: Purchasing

**STREET ADDRESS:**

Georgetown County Courthouse  
129 Screven Street, Suite 239  
Georgetown SC 29440-3641  
Attn: Purchasing

**IMPORTANT OFFEROR NOTES:**

- 1) Bid Number & Title must be shown on the **OUTSIDE** of the delivery package.
- 2) Federal Express does **not** guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 4:30 PM Eastern Time on **Primary Overnight** Service.
- 3) **United Parcel Service (UPS)** **does** guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 10:30 AM Eastern Time on Next Day "Early AM" Service.
- 4) You must register a contact name, company name, fax and/or e-mail with the Purchasing Office as below to ensure your name will be added to the contact list for future amendments and addenda.

**Purchasing Contacts:**

**Nancy Silver**  
Phone (843)545-3076  
Fax: (843)545-3500  
E-mail: [nsilver@gtcounty.org](mailto:nsilver@gtcounty.org)

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# Intent to Respond

**REF: RFP #16-013, Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility**

If your company intends to respond to this solicitation, please complete and promptly return this form to assure that you can be included on the mailing list to receive all addenda regarding this project.

It is not necessary to return any other portion of the bid documents if you are not bidding.

Failure to return the Intent to Respond shall not be sufficient cause to rule a submittal as non-responsive; nor does the return of the form obligate an interested party to submit a response. Georgetown County's efforts to directly provide interested parties with addenda or additional information are provided as a courtesy only, and do not alleviate the respondent from their obligation to verify they have received and considered all addenda. All addenda are published and available on the county website at [www.georgetowncountysc.org](http://www.georgetowncountysc.org) select "purchasing" and "current bids".

- Our firm **does** intend on responding to this solicitation.
- Our firm **does not** intend on responding to this solicitation.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this completed form to Nancy Silver, Senior Buyer**

- by e-mail to [purch@gtcounty.org](mailto:purch@gtcounty.org)
- or by FAX to (843)545-3500.

[End of Intent to Respond]

**Time Line: Request for Proposal #16-013**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location*</b>
<b>Advertised Date of Issue:</b>	Friday, February 05, 2016	n/a	n/a
<b>Pre-Bid Conference &amp; Site Inspection:</b>	Wednesday, February 24, 2016	10:00AM ET	Suite 215
<b>Deadline for Questions:</b>	Monday, February 29, 2016	3:30PM ET	Suite 239
<b>Bids Must be Received on/or Before:</b>	Wednesday, March 02, 2016	3:30PM ET	Suite 239
<b>Public Bid Opening &amp; Tabulation:</b>	Wednesday, March 02, 2016	3:30PM ET	Suite 239

\*All locations in the Old County Courthouse, 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, SC unless otherwise stated.

**Bid #16-013**  
**Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility**  
**Requirements and Specifications**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Facility Services Division of the Georgetown County, SC Public Services Department is soliciting sealed, public bids to perform a hydraulic elevator modernization on the front elevator at the historic Georgetown County Courthouse. This passenger car accesses three (3) floors. Ability of the contractor to perform in a timely manner is of extreme importance.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**

- 1) The Contractor will furnish all materials and labor to satisfactorily complete the modernization on the front elevator located at the Georgetown County Courthouse, 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, SC to include but not limited to the following:
  - a) Machine Room Equipment: Supply and install new MCA Motion 2000 Microprocessor Based Nonproprietary Hydraulic Control System, new Solid-State Starter, and provide new submersible power unit.
  - b) Elevator Entrances & Door Equipment: Supply & install new interlocks, new GAL "Closed Loop" Door Operator, new Infrared Light Curtain Door Protection Edge, hoistway door rollers, new car door clutch, new car door rollers, new car door closer.
  - c) Elevator Car: Refurbish or replace existing slide car guides. Provide new car fan and new car top inspection station.
  - d) Hoistway Equipment: Provide new Elevator Landing System, new elevator traveling cable and insulated wiring, new Hoistway Access key switches.
  - e) Elevator Fixtures & Signaling Devices: Provide new Stainless Steel hall call button stations, new "In Car" Direction Riding Lantern, audible direction signal, new Stainless Steel Car Operation Panel, new Code Compliant Emergency Car Lighting with back up battery, new ADA compliant emergency phone integral to car operation panel that is self-dialing, push to call, auto dialing with recall tracking and voiceless communication features.
  - f) Elevator Pit Equipment: Provide new elevator pit stop switch accessible for access door.
- 2) All work will be performed during the working hours of the elevator trade, 8:30AM to 5:00PM, Monday through Friday, by skilled mechanics employed by the Contractor.
- 3) The Contractor will be responsible for all taxes and necessary permits.
- 4) The Contractor will be responsible for all movement and hoisting of any new or reused equipment, or dismantling and removal of existing equipment to, on and from the site and will provide hoistway, pit, and machine room barricades as required.

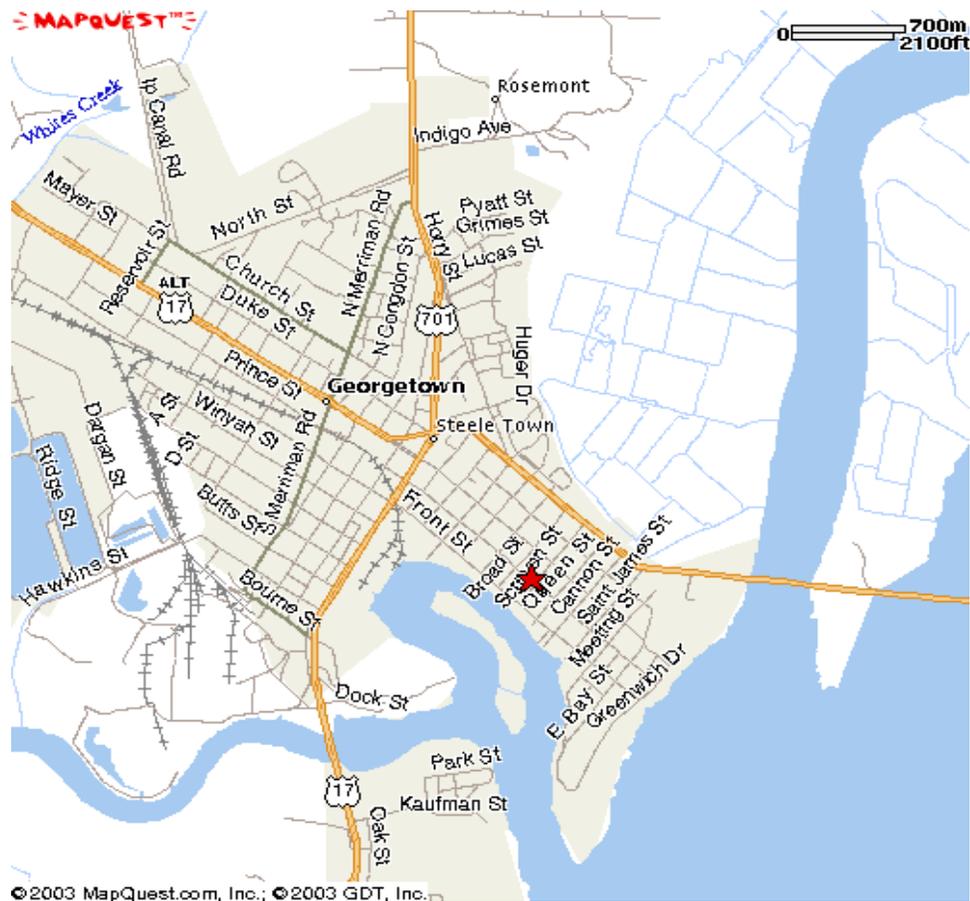
- 5) The Contractor will be responsible for disposal of any and all removed, unused and surplus materials and any fees and transportation costs associated with the disposal.
- 6) The Contractor will perform tests as required by the Governing Authority in accordance with the procedure described in ASME A17.2 Guide for Inspection of Elevators Escalators, and Moving Walks in the presence of an authorized representative and be equipped to comply with up-to-date coding requirements for Special Emergency Service Operations.
- 7) All equipment supplied and installed shall not be proprietary and shall include full disclosure of operating parameters and include operating documents.

**RETAINAGE**

- 1) Retainage, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the value of construction costs incurred for the project, shall be withheld until the project has been completed to the satisfaction of Owner.

**MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE**

Only those contractors registered in attendance at the mandatory pre-bid conference will be considered qualified to bid on this project. Doors will be closed at 10:00AM EST on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at Suite 215 (County Council Chambers) of the Georgetown County Courthouse, Prince and Screven Streets, Georgetown, SC. There will be no late arrivals admitted. A representative from Facility Services will be available to answer inquiries and permit inspection of existing equipment.





**Instructions for Bidders**  
**Bid #16-013**  
**Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility**

**1. Submission of Questions**

Questions must be submitted in writing via electronic mail, facsimile or postal mail to the Issuing Officer no later than the "Deadline for Questions" cutoff identified in the Bid Timeline on page two (2) in order to generate an official answer. All written questions will receive an official written response from the Georgetown County Purchasing Office (GCPO) and will become addenda to the solicitation.

GCPO reserves the right to reject or deny any requests made by the provider.

Impromptu, unwritten questions are permitted and verbal answers may be provided, but are only intended as general direction and will not represent the official GCPO position. The only official position of GCPO is that which is stated in writing and issued in the solicitation as addenda thereto.

No other means of communication, whether oral or written, shall be construed as a formal or official response/statement and may not be relied upon. SEND QUESTIONS TO:

Nancy Silver, Senior Buyer  
Post Office Box 421270, Georgetown, SC 29442-1270  
Fax: (843) 545-3500  
Email: [nsilver@gtcounty.org](mailto:nsilver@gtcounty.org)

2. Written sealed public bids for a Term Contract to provide Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility shall be received in the Purchasing Office, Second Floor, Suite 239, 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, SC until the cut-off time shown in the bid timeline on page (2) of this document. Bids will then be publicly and promptly opened at the designated time by the Purchasing Officer. Bids that are not in the Purchasing Officer's possession prior to the stated opening date and time will be considered **NON RESPONSIVE** and returned unopened. An official authorized to bind the offer must sign all proposals submitted.

**3. IMPORTANT OFFEROR NOTES:**

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- b) Federal Express does NOT guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 4:30 PM Eastern Time on Next Day Service.
- c) UPS WILL guarantee delivery to Georgetown, SC before 10:30 AM Eastern Time on Next Day "Early AM" Service.

**4. Inclement Weather/Closure of County Courthouse**

If the County Courthouse is closed for business at the time scheduled for bid opening, for whatever reason, sealed bids will be accepted and opened on the next scheduled business day, at the originally scheduled time.

5. This solicitation does not commit Georgetown County to award a contract, to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of the bid, or to procure or contract for goods or services. It is the responsibility of each bidder to see that the Georgetown County Purchasing Office receives bids on, or before, the date and time specified for the bid opening. No bid will be accepted thereafter. The County assumes no responsibility for delivery of bids that are mailed. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities and technicalities in the bid process.
6. One (1) unbound, reproducible ORIGINAL of your proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope and clearly marked on the outermost container as follows:

**OFFEROR'S NAME**  
**BID ITEM NAME**  
**BID NUMBER**

7. No Bidder may submit more than one bid. Multiple bids for different manufacturers but represented by the same firm will not be accepted. Bids offered directly from manufacturers shall indicate if a local dealer/representative will be involved.
8. Definitions:
  - a) The terms "Proposer", "Offeror", "Vendor" or "Bidder" refer to those parties who are submitting sealed responses for the work set forth in this document to the OWNER, as distinct from a sub-bidder who provides a bid to the Bidder. The term "Contractor" refers to the successful Bidder.
  - b) The term "Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility" or "Service" refers to the **complete set of services** as specified in this document, in every aspect.
  - c) The terms "Owner" and "County" refer to the County of Georgetown, South Carolina.
  - d) Where the words "shall" or "must" are used, it signifies an absolute minimum function or capacity that, if not satisfied, may result in disqualification.
  - e) Where the words "should", "may", or "is desirable" are used, it signifies desirable, but not mandatory functions or capacities. Bidders who are able to provide these functions or capacities may be evaluated more favorably than those who cannot.
9. Correction or Withdrawal of Bids; Cancellation of Awards

An offeror must submit in writing a request to either correct or withdraw a bid to the Procurement Officer. Each written request must document the fact that the offeror's mistake is clearly an error that will cause him substantial loss.

  - a) Correction of awards : An offeror shall not be permitted to correct a bid mistake after bid opening that would cause such offeror to have the low bid unless the mistake in the judgment of the Procurement Officer is clearly evident from examining the bid document; for example, extension of unit prices or errors in addition.
  - b) Cancellation of awards prior to performance: When it is determined after an award has been issued but before performance has begun that Georgetown County's requirements for the goods or services have changed or have not been met, the award or contract may be canceled and either reawarded or a new solicitation issued.

**10. Faxed or E-mailed bids will not be accepted by Georgetown County.**

11. If you need any reasonable accommodation for any type of disability in order to participate in this procurement, please contact the purchasing office as soon as possible.
12. Any deviations from the specifications or modification of this bid and any extra or incidental work or reductions in work shall be set forth in writing and signed by both parties prior to making such change. Any increase or decrease in the bid price resulting from such change shall be included in writing.
13. Exceptions: The bidder shall list on a separate sheet of paper any variations from, or exceptions to, the conditions and specifications of this bid. This sheet shall be labeled "Exception(s) to Bid Conditions and Specifications," and shall be attached to the bid. When Proposers find instances where they must take exception with certain requirements or specifications of the bid, all exceptions shall be clearly identified. Written explanations shall include the scope of the exceptions, the ramifications of the exceptions for the County of Georgetown, and a description of the advantage to be gained or disadvantages to be incurred by the County as a result of these exceptions. If none, write "NONE".
14. Georgetown County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and to waive as an informality any irregularities contained in any bid as may be deemed in the best interest of the County. Georgetown County further reserves the right to reject any bid submitted, at its sole option, that the vendor may not be able to meet the service requirements of the bid.
15. Publicity releases: contractor agrees not to refer to award of any resulting contract in commercial advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the products or services provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.
16. Material Safety Data Sheets: The County of Georgetown will not receive any materials, products, or chemicals which may be hazardous to an employee's health unless accompanied by a Material Data Sheet when received.
17. Ownership of Copyright: All right, title and interest in all copyrightable materials which vendor shall create in the performance of its obligations hereunder shall be the property of the procurer. Vendor agrees to assign and hereby does assign any and all interest it has in and to such material to procurer. Vendor agrees, upon the request of procurer to execute all papers and perform all other such acts necessary to assist procurer to obtain and register copyrights on such materials. Where applicable, works of authorship created by the vendor in the performance of its obligations hereunder, shall be considered "works for hire" as defined in the U.S. Copyright Act.
18. Ownership of Documents: Any reports, studies, photographs, negatives or other documents prepared by vendor in the performance of its obligations shall be the exclusive property of the procurer and all such material shall be remitted to the procurer by the vendor upon completion, termination or cancellation of this order. Vendor shall not use, willingly allow or cause to have such material used for any purpose other than performance of its obligations under this order without the prior written consent of the procurer.
19. Affirmative Action: The contractor will take affirmative action in complying with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and employment of the handicapped, and concerning the treatment of all employees, without regard or discrimination by reason of age, race, color,

religion, sex, national origin or physical handicap. The following are incorporated herein by reference: 41 C.F.R. 60-1.4, 60-250.4 and 60-741.4.

20. Inclusion and participation of disadvantaged, small, and local business entities is strongly encouraged, but minimum participation standards are not in effect for this project.
21. Bidders must clearly mark as "confidential" each part of their bid which they consider to be proprietary information that could be exempt from disclosure under section 30-4-40, Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (Freedom of Information Act). If any part is designated as confidential, there must be attached to that part an explanation of how this information fits within one or more categories listed in section 30-4-40. The County reserves the right to determine whether this information should be exempt from disclosure and no legal action may be brought against the County or its agents for its determination in this regard.
22. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:  
The contractor certifies that the vendor(s) will provide a "drug-free workplace" as that term is defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, by the complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.
23. Nothing herein is intended to exclude any responsible vendor, his product or service or in any way restrain or restrict competition. On the contrary, all responsible vendors are encouraged to bid and their bids are solicited.
24. Acknowledgement of Addenda  
Each contractor is responsible to verify the number of total addenda issued prior to bid. **Failure to acknowledge all addenda may disqualify the bidder.** All addenda are posted by the County at the website located at [www.gtcounty.org](http://www.gtcounty.org), select "Purchasing" and "Current Bids". It is each proposer's responsibility to verify that all addenda have been received and acknowledged.
25. This Request for Proposals covers the estimated requirements to provide Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility for the Georgetown County Public Services and Facility Services Department. The purpose is to establish a Term Contract with firm pricing and delivery under which the department may place orders as needed. The right is reserved to extend the use of this contract to any County Department.
26. PRICE ESCALATION/DE-ESCALATION:  
Prices are to remain firm for the contract period.
27. Bids must be made on Proposal or Bid Form furnished or will be rejected. Proposals shall be typewritten or written in ink on the form prepared by the County. The person signing the bid shall initial all corrections or erasures.
28. Insurance  
The successful bidder shall procure, maintain, and provide proof of, insurance coverage for injuries to persons and/or property damage as may arise from or in conjunction with, the work performed on behalf of the County by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. Proof of coverage as contained herein shall be submitted fifteen (15) days prior to the commencement of work and such coverage shall be maintained by the bidder for the duration of the contract period; for occurrence policies.

a. General Liability

Coverage shall be as broad as: Comprehensive General Liability endorsed to include Broad Form, Commercial General Liability form including Products/Completed Operations.

1. Minimum Limits

General Liability:

\$1,000,000 General Aggregate Limit

\$1,000,000 Products & Completed Operations

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising Injury

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit

\$50,000 Fire Damage Limit

\$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

b. Automobile Liability

Coverage sufficient to cover all vehicles owned, used, or hired by the bidder, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.

1. Minimum Limits

Automobile Liability:

\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit

\$1,000,000 Each Occurrence Limit

\$5,000 Medical Expense Limit

c. Workers' Compensation

Limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC. Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

d. Owners' & Contractors' Protective Liability

Policy will be in name of County. Minimum limits required are \$1,000,000.

e. Professional Liability

Minimum limits are \$1,000,000 per occurrence.

f. Coverage Provisions

1. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s).
2. The County of Georgetown, its officers/ officials, employees, agents and volunteers shall be added as "additional insured" as their interests may appear. This provision does not apply to Professional Liability or Workers' Compensation/Employers' Liability.
3. The offeror's insurance shall be primary over any applicable insurance or self-insurance maintained by the County.
4. Shall provide 30 days written notice to the County before any cancellation, suspension, or void of coverage in whole or part, where such provision is reasonable.
5. All coverage for subcontractors of the bidder shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
6. All deductibles or self-insured retention shall appear on the certificate(s) and shall be subject to approval by the County. At the option of the County, either; the

insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductible or self-insured retention; or the bidder shall be required to procure a bond guaranteeing payment of losses and related claims expenses.

7. Failure to comply with any reporting provisions of the policy(s) shall not affect coverage provided the County, its officers/officials, agents, employees and volunteers.
8. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the County, its' officers/officials, agents, employees or volunteers for any act, omission or condition of premises which the parties may be held liable by reason of negligence.
9. The bidder shall furnish the County certificates of insurance including endorsements affecting coverage. The certificates are to be signed by a person authorized by the insurance company(s) to bind coverage on its' behalf, if executed by a broker, notarized copy of authorization to bind, or certify coverage must be attached.
10. All insurance shall be placed with insurers maintaining an A.M. Best rating of no less than an A:VII. If A.M. Best rating is less than A:VII, approval must be received from County's Risk Officer.

#### 29. Workman's Compensation Coverage

Georgetown County, SC will require each contractor and service provider to maintain on file with the purchasing officer, a current Certificate of Insurance showing limits as required by the Workers' Compensation Act of SC: Employers Liability, \$1,000,000.

The law also recognizes "statutory employees." These are employees who work for a subcontractor who may be working for a business or another contractor. Employers should inquire whether or not a subcontractor working for them has workers' compensation insurance, regardless of the number of employees employed by the subcontractor. If the subcontractor does not, the subcontractor's injured employees would be covered under the employer's workers' compensation insurance. If the subcontractor does not carry workers' compensation insurance, then the owner or the principal contractor would be liable just as if the subcontractor's employee was one of their employees.

For answers to additional questions, visit the SC Worker's Compensation Commission website, at: <http://www.wcc.sc.gov/Pages/FrequentlyAskedQuestions.aspx#empl>

#### 30. Hold Harmless Clause

The Contractor shall, during the term of the contract including any warranty period, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County, its officials, employees, agents, and representatives thereof from all suits, actions, or claims of any kind, including attorney's fees, brought on account of any personal injuries, damages, or violations of rights, sustained by any person or property in consequence of any neglect in safeguarding contract work or on account of any act or omission by the contractor or his employees, or from any claims or amounts arising from violation of any law, bylaw, ordinance, regulation or decree. The vendor agrees that this clause shall include claims involving infringement of patent or copyright.

#### 31. Condition of Items

All items shall be new, in first class condition, including containers suitable for shipment and storage, unless otherwise indicated herein. Verbal agreements to the contrary will not be recognized.

32. Workmanship and Inspection

All work under this contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The County may, in writing, require the Contractor to remove any employee from work that the County deems incompetent or careless.

Further, the County may, from time to time, make inspections of the work performed under this contract. Any inspection by the County does not relieve the Contractor from any responsibility regarding defects or other failures to meet the contract requirements.

33. Invoicing and Payment

The firm shall submit invoices on a frequency to be determined, as agreed upon by the County, for each payment requested. Such invoice shall also include a detailed breakdown of all charges. All such invoices will be paid within thirty (30) days unless any items thereon are questioned, in which event payment will be withheld pending verification of the amount claimed and the validity of the claim. The firm shall provide complete cooperation during any such investigation. All invoices shall be forwarded to the following address:

County of Georgetown  
Accounts Payable  
P.O. Box 421270  
Georgetown, SC 29442-1270

Individual contractors shall provide their social security numbers, and proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations shall provide their federal employer identification number on the pricing form.

34. Retainage

Retainage, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the value of construction costs incurred for the project, shall be withheld until the project has been completed to the satisfaction of Owner.

35. South Carolina Sales Tax

The County of Georgetown, SC is not exempt and pays the appropriate SC sales tax on all applicable purchases.

36. Assignment of Contract

This contract may not be assigned in whole or part without the written consent of the Purchasing Officer.

37. Termination

Subject to the provisions below, the contract may be terminated by the County upon thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party; but if any work or service hereunder is in progress, but not completed as of the date of termination, then this contract may be extended upon written approval of the County until said work or services are completed and accepted.

a. Termination for Convenience

In the event that this contract is terminated or canceled upon request and for the convenience of the County, without the required thirty (30) days advance written notice, then the County shall negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

b. Termination for Cause

Termination by the County for cause, default or negligence on the part of the contractor shall be excluded from the foregoing provision; termination costs, if any, shall not apply.

The thirty (30) days advance notice requirement is waived in the event of Termination for Cause.

c. Non-Appropriation:

It is understood and agreed by the parties that in the event funds are not appropriated in the current fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal years, this contract will become null and void and the County will only be required to pay for services completed to the satisfaction of the County.

38. Default

In case of default by the contractor, for any reason whatsoever, the County may procure the goods or services from another source and hold the contractor responsible for any resulting excess cost and may seek other remedies under law

39. Severability

In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Agreement but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.

40. Applicable Laws

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina, U.S.A.

41. Claims and Disputes:

All claims, disputes and other matters in question between parties arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be decided in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial circuit in Georgetown County, South Carolina. By executing this Agreement, all parties specifically consent to venue and jurisdiction in Georgetown County, South Carolina and waive any right to contest jurisdiction and venue in said Court.

42. Rights of County

The County reserves the right to reject all or any part of any bid, waive informalities and award the contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to best serve the interest of the County.

43. Award of Bid

In determining the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, in addition to price, there shall be considered the following:

- (a) The ability, capacity and skill of the bidder to perform the contract.
- (b) Whether the bidder can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay of interference.
- (c) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the bidder.
- (d) The quality of performance on previous contracts.
- (e) The previous and existing compliance by the bidder with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.
- (f) The sufficiency of the financial resources to perform the contract to provide the service.
- (g) The quality, availability and adaptability of the supplies or contractual services to the particular use required.
- (h) The ability of the bidder to provide future maintenance and service.
- (i) The discount terms and conditions of the bid.
- (j) Delivery time.

44. Notice of Award

A *Notice of Intent to Award* will be mailed to all respondents.

45. Protest

Bidders may refer to Sections 2-67, 2-73, and 2-74 of Ordinance #2008-09, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy to determine their remedies concerning this competitive process. The failure to be awarded a bid shall not be valid grounds for protest.

46. Debarment

By submitting a bid, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals, sub-contractors and assigns are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal, State or local department or agency. A copy of the County's debarment procedure in accordance with Section 2-68 of Ordinance #2008-09, also known as the Georgetown County, South Carolina Purchasing Policy is available upon request.

47. Firm Pricing for County Acceptance

Bid price must be firm for County acceptance for 90 days from bid opening date. "Discount from list," bids are not acceptable unless specifically requested.

48. Quotations to be F.O.B.: Destination

Quote F.O.B.: Destination for this competitive sealed bid. As an alternate, show exact cost for delivery.

49. Unit Prices and Extension

Bid unit price on quantity specified -- extend and show total. In case of errors in extension, unit prices shall govern. Bids subject to unlimited price increases will not be considered.

50. Permits

The successful Offeror must be responsible for obtaining all necessary city, county, and state permits/licenses and must comply with all local codes and ordinances. Copies of such permits/licenses shall be made available to the County upon request. Building contractors working within Georgetown County must also secure a Contractor's License from the Building Department. Work within the Georgetown City Limits may require a City Business License and Permitting. For additional information, please review the "Forms and Fees" section of the Building and Planning web page at the link below:

<http://www.georgetowncountysc.org/building/default.html>

51. Environmental Management:

Vendor/Supplier/Contractor will be responsible for complying with all federal, state and local environmental regulations relating to transportation, handling, storage, spillage and any other aspect of providing the services specified herein, as applicable.

52. Bid Tabulation Results

Vendors wishing to view the bid tabulation results may visit the Georgetown County, SC web-site at: <http://www.georgetowncountysc.org>. Select "Bid Opportunities", then "Bids Under Review" and double click the link under the individual bid listing.

53. The Bidder hereby certifies that he or she has carefully examined all of the Documents for the project, has carefully and thoroughly reviewed this Request for Bid/Quotation, has inspected the

location of the project (if applicable), and understands the nature and scope of the work to be done; and that this Bid is based upon the terms, specifications, requirements, and conditions of the Request for Bid/ Documents. The Bidder further agrees that the performance time specified is a reasonable time, having carefully considered the nature and scope of the project as aforesaid.

54. Any attempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by discussion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or any procedure to promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions and will cause the vendor's submittal to be declared null and void.
55. Apparent omission of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning the best commercial practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the finest quality are to be used.
56. Response Clarification  
Georgetown County reserves the right to request additional written or oral information from Bidders in order to obtain clarification of their Responses.
57. Georgetown County, SC has a Local Vendor Preference Option by ordinance:

#### **Sec 2-50. Local Preference Option**

1. A vendor shall be deemed a Local Georgetown County vendor for the purposes of this Section if such vendor is an individual, partnership, association or corporation that is authorized to transact business within the State, maintains an office in Georgetown County, and maintains a representative inventory or commodities within the County on which the bid is submitted, and has paid all taxes duly assessed.
2. This option allows the lowest local Bidder whose bid is within five-percent (5%) of the lowest non-local Bidder to match the bid submitted by the non-local Bidder and thereby be awarded the contract. This preference shall apply only when (a) the total dollar purchase is \$10,000 or more; (b) the vendor has a physical business address located and operating within the limits of Georgetown County and has been doing business in the County for a period of twelve (12) months or more; and (c) the vendor provides proof of payment of all applicable Georgetown County taxes and fees if so requested.
3. Should the lowest responsible and responsive Georgetown County bidder not exercise its right to match the bid as granted herein, the next lowest qualified Georgetown County bidder shall have that right and so on. The right to exercise the right to match the bid shall be exercised within 24 hours of notification of the right to match the non-Georgetown County bidder's bid.
4. In order to qualify for the local preference authorized by this Section, the vendor seeking same shall be required to submit with its bid a statement containing relevant information which demonstrates compliance with the provisions of this Section. This statement shall be on a form provided by the County purchasing department and shall be signed under penalty of perjury. Failure to provide such affidavit at the time the bidder submits its bid shall constitute a waiver of any claim for preference.
5. For all contracts for architecture, professional engineering, or other professional services governed by § 2-56, Architect-Engineer and Land Surveying Services – Public Announcement

and Selection Process, the county shall include the local business status of a firm among the factors considered when selecting which firms are “most highly qualified.” In determining which firm is the “most qualified” for purposes of negotiating a satisfactory contract, preference shall be given to a local business where all other relevant factors are equal.

6. Local preference shall not apply to the following categories of contracts: (a) Goods or services provided under a cooperative purchasing agreement or similar “piggyback” contract; (b) Contracts for professional services except as provided for in section five (§5) above; (c) Purchases or contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference; (d) Purchases or contracts made pursuant to a noncompetitive award process, unless otherwise provided by this section; or (e) Any bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the county council or county administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the county attorney, required by law.

See the RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE form attached for details.

#### **58. Vendor Checklist**

The items indicated below must be returned as a part of the Bid Submission package:

- Mandatory Bid Submittal Form
- Substitute for Form W-9
- Resident Certification for Local Preference
- Mandatory Exceptions Page

The successful proposer will be required to provide a Certificate of Insurance naming Georgetown County, SC as an additional insured. This must be on file prior to any final award.

**RESIDENCE CERTIFICATION  
FOR LOCAL PREFERENCE**

**MANDATORY VENDOR SUBMITTAL FORM**

WHEREAS, Georgetown County Council desires to further its support of local businesses when awarding contracts for the provision of supplies and construction services to the County through its established procurement procedures.

THEREFOR pursuant to Georgetown County, SC Ordinance #2014-02 as adopted, §2-50 Local Preference Option, the Georgetown County Purchasing Officer requests each offeror provide Residence Certification. The Local Preference Option provides some restrictions on the awarding of governmental contracts; provisions of which are stated below:

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5. For all contracts for architecture, professional engineering, or other professional services governed by § 2-56, Architect-Engineer and Land Surveying Services – Public Announcement and Selection Process, the county shall include the local business status of a firm among the factors considered when selecting which firms are “most highly qualified.” In determining which firm is the “most qualified” for purposes of negotiating a satisfactory contract, preference shall be given to a local business where all other relevant factors are equal.
  
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  - (c) Purchases or contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, by a governmental or other funding entity, where the terms and conditions of receipt of the funds prohibit the preference;
  - (d) Purchases or contracts made pursuant to a noncompetitive award process, unless otherwise provided by this section; or
  - (e) Any bid announcement which specifically provides that the general local preference policies set forth in this section are suspended due to the unique nature of the goods or services sought, the existence of an emergency as found by either the county council or county administrator, or where such suspension is, in the opinion of the county attorney, required by law.

I certify that [Company Name] \_\_\_\_\_ is a

**Resident Bidder** of Georgetown County as defined in Ordinance #2014-02, and our principal place of business is \_\_\_\_\_ [City and State].

I certify that [Company Name] \_\_\_\_\_ is a

**Non-Resident Bidder** of Georgetown County as defined in Ordinance #2014-02, and our principal place of business is \_\_\_\_\_ [City and State].

(X) \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Company Officer**



**SUBSTITUTE FOR FORM W-9  
MANDATORY BID SUBMISSION FORM**

Pursuant to Internal Revenue Service Regulations, you must furnish your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) to Georgetown County. If this number is not provided, you may be subject to a 26% withholding on each payment.

**INDIVIDUAL OR OWNER'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

(Sole Proprietor Must Provide Individual Name along with Business Name)

**LEGAL BUSINESS NAME (d/b/a):** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:**

( \_\_\_\_\_  
( \_\_\_\_\_  
( \_\_\_\_\_

**9 DIGIT TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN)**

(Individual Must Provide SS#; Sole Proprietorship may provide SS# or EIN#)

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Employer Identification Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**BUSINESS DESIGNATION**

- Individual, Sole Proprietor, or Single-Member LLC
- S-Corporation
- Trust/Estate
- Non-Profit Organization/501(a)
- Limited Liability Company (Must Circle the appropriate Tax Classification):  
C = Corporation      S = S Corporation      P = Partnership
- C-Corporation
- Partnership
- Governmental Entity
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITY** (List Type of Service or Product Provided):

\_\_\_\_\_  MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER       ATTORNEY/LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDER

**CERTIFICATION** Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person; and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. *The Internal Revenue Service does not require your consent to any provision of this document other than the certifications required to avoid back-up withholding.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



**VENDOR AGREEMENT  
MANDATORY RFP SUBMITTAL FORM  
Modernization of Front Elevator at Old Courthouse Facility  
BID # 16-013**

The undersigned, on behalf of the vendor, certifies that: (1) this bid is made without previous understanding, agreement or connection with any person, firm or corporation making a bid on the same project; (2) is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; (3) the person whose signature appears below is legally empowered to bind the firm in whose name the bid is entered (4) they have read the complete Request for Bid and understands all provisions: (5) if accepted by the County, this bid is guaranteed as written and amended and will be implemented as stated; and (6) mistakes in writing of the submitted bid will be their responsibility.

1. Name of Company submitting bid \_\_\_\_\_

**BASE BID**, for the modernization of elevator car and operating equipment:

2. Cost of Materials \_\_\_\_\_

3. Cost of Labor, performed during **regular** hours \_\_\_\_\_

4. SC Sales Tax                      Permit # \_\_\_\_\_                      Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

This purchase is subject to: **7% SC Sales Tax on Materials**

If your company is authorized to collect SC Sales Tax, place your SC Sales Tax Permit Number and the amount of tax to be collected on the line above, otherwise write "NO" in both line items.

5. SC-LLR Contractor License Number: \_\_\_\_\_

6. **Total Bid Cost** (Lines 2+3+4) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Bid cost must remain valid sixty (60) days from bid opening date.

8. Number of days for mobilization after Notice to Proceed: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

10. Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

11. Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

12. E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

13. Remittance Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14. Accounting Contact \_\_\_\_\_

15. Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number \_\_\_\_\_

16. E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

17. FEIN or Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

18. Suspension and Debarment

Federal guidelines require grant recipients to obtain sufficient assurance that vendors are not suspended or debarred from participating in federal programs when contracts exceed \$25,000. By signing below you verify that no party to this agreement is excluded from receiving Federal contracts, certain subcontracts, and certain Federal financial and nonfinancial assistance and benefits, pursuant to the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 6101, note, E.O. 12549, E.O. 12689, 48 CFR 9.404, and each agency's codification of the Common Rule for Nonprocurement suspension and debarment. [See <https://www.epls.gov/> for additional information.]

19. Acceptance of Invitation for Bid Content: The contents of the successful IFB/RPS are included as if fully reproduced herein. Therefore, the selected contractor must be prepared to be bound by his/her proposal as submitted.

20. RENEWAL OF CONTRACT

The continuation of the terms, conditions, and provisions of any resulting contract beyond the fiscal year is subject to approval and ratification by the Georgetown County Council and appropriation by them of the necessary money to fund said contract for each succeeding year.

21. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:

The undersigned certifies that the vendor listed below will provide a "drug-free workplace" as that term is defined in Section 44-107-30 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, by the complying with the requirements set forth in title 44, Chapter 107.

Yes       No

22. Any attempt by the vendor to influence the opinion of County Staff or County Council by discussion, promotion, advertising, misrepresentation of the submittal or purchasing process or any procedure to promote their offer will constitute a violation of the vendor submittal conditions and will cause the vendor's submittal to be declared null and void.

23. The lowest or any proposal will not necessarily be accepted and the County reserves the right to award any portion thereof. I/We, the undersigned, hereby confirm that all the above noted documents for Bid/Request for Proposal No. 16-013 were received.

24. ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION: Non-Construction (NOV. 2008): (An overview is available at [www.procurement.sc.gov](http://www.procurement.sc.gov)) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your

subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

25.

**INFORMATION ONLY:**

- Our company accepts VISA government procurement cards.
- Our company does not accept VISA government procurement cards.

26. Customer References:

Entity Name:	
Contact:	
Title:	
Street:	
City, State & Zip:	
Primary Telephone:	
Primary FAX:	
E-Mail Address:	
Brief Explanation of Relationship:	

Entity Name:	
Contact:	
Title:	
Street:	
City, State & Zip:	
Primary Telephone:	
Primary FAX:	
E-Mail Address:	

Brief Explanation of Relationship:	
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Entity Name:	
Contact:	
Title:	
Street:	
City, State & Zip:	
Primary Telephone:	
Primary FAX:	
E-Mail Address:	
Brief Explanation of Relationship:	

27. Printed Name of person binding bid \_\_\_\_\_

28. Signature (X)\_\_\_\_\_

29. Date\_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: THE ENTIRE IFB PACKET NEED NOT BE RETURNED. Please be sure to include all the mandatory submittal items. Thank you.**

# EXCEPTIONS PAGE

## MANDATORY BID SUBMISSION FORM

List any areas where you cannot or will not comply with the specifications or terms contained within the bid documentation. If none, write "NONE".



STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
 ) DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT  
 GEORGETOWN COUNTY )

**THIS CONTRACT** made and entered into this 312nd day of October 2015, by and between Georgetown County, hereinafter referred to as the “**Owner**”, a body politic and corporate and political subdivision of the State of South Carolina, whose administrative address is: 129 Screven Street, Georgetown, South Carolina 29440 ; and \_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as the “**Contractor**”, a corporation formed and existing under the laws of the State of South Carolina and authorized to do business within the State of South Carolina, whose administrative address is: \_\_\_\_\_.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF:**

**WHEREAS**, the Owner has a project entitled \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as the “**Project**”, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Design / Builder has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid for the Project at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ and the Owner has awarded the Project to the Design / Builder, and;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, as well as other good and valuable consideration not specifically mentioned, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Design / Builder, for and in consideration of the payments hereinafter specified and agreed to be made by the Owner, hereby covenants and agrees to furnish and deliver all materials required, to do and perform all the work and labor, in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner, required to complete the Project within the time specified, in strict and entire conformity with the Construction Contract Documents, on file at the Office of the Purchasing Dept., Georgetown County, which are duly approved by the Owner and which said Project Manual, Conceptual Plans, Preliminary Technical Specifications and other Contract Documents are hereby made part of this Contract as fully and with the same effects as if the same had been set forth at length in the body of this Contract.
2. The Design/Builder hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Owner and its agents, representatives, directors, officers, and employees harmless from any and all liabilities, losses, damages, penalties, judgments, awards, claims, demands, costs, expenses, (including reasonable attorney’s fees and court costs), actions, lawsuits or other proceedings arising directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, out of the negligence or willful acts or errors and / or omissions of the Design/Builder, its prime contractor, trade subcontractors and consultants or their respective agents, directors, officers or employees in connection with this Contract or in any way with the services or Work described herein, any occurrence at the Project site, or any occurrence arising in connection with or at the Project site or in connection with the Work, whether within or beyond the scope of its duties hereunder.
3. The Design/Builder’s indemnity and defense obligations under this Contract shall be absolute notwithstanding any provision contained herein or elsewhere to the contrary, and shall survive Final Completion and Final Payment for a period equal to the statute of limitations for any action which could be brought against the Owner or its agents, officers, directors and employees and shall continue through the duration of any action brought during the applicable time periods.

4. The Design/Builder agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Owner and its agents, representatives, officers, directors and employees harmless from all costs, damages and expenses, including reasonable attorneys fees, incurred by the Owner and its consultants by virtue of any claim or claims filed by any trade prime or subcontractor, mechanic, laborer, or materialman making claims arising from the performance of the Work by, through, or under the Design/Builder, provided the Design/Builder has received from the Owner all amounts properly due under this Contract concerning the claim. The Design/Builder shall execute and deliver to the Owner's title insurer similar indemnifications or such other document as such title insurer shall reasonably request in order to protect it against lien claims from trade prime or subcontractors. The Design/Builder also hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless, protect and defend the Owner and its consultants from and against any liability, claim, judgment, loss or damage, including, but not limited, to direct damages, attorney's fees, court costs and expenses of collection, occasioned in whole or in part by the sole failure of the Design/Builder, and its trade prime or subcontractors to comply with any of the terms or provisions of this Contract.

5. In any and all claims against the Owner by any employee of the Design/Builder or trade prime or subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under these Paragraphs 2 and 4 shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Design/Builder or any trade prime or subcontractor under workers' or workmen's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

6. The Owner hereby agrees to pay to the Design/Builder for the said work, when fully completed, the total sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (the said sum being the total of the Design/Builder's bid, a copy of which is attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and made a part hereof for all purposes), subject to such additions and deductions as may be provided for in the Contract Documents. In the event the bid contains multiple pay items, it is understood that the amount to be paid shall be the total based on the unit prices, together with lump sum prices, contained in said bid, for the work actually completed. Payments on accounts will be made as provided for in the Contract Documents, Division 1, General Requirements, Section 01290, Payment Procedures. The Design/Builder shall submit bills for fees or other compensation for services or expenses in detail sufficient for a proper pre-audit and post audit thereof. Any unit of provision of goods and services must be approved in writing by the Owner prior to payment.

7. The Owner may unilaterally cancel this Contract and the goods and services thereunder in the event that the Design/Builder fails and refuses to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material subject to the provisions of the applicable South Carolina Statutes, made or received by the Design/Builder in conjunction with this Contract.

8. The Construction Contract Documents provide the criteria and the final date for completion of the Work of the Project

9. This Contract has been executed by the parties prior to the rendering of any goods or services by the Design/Builder

10. (not used)

11. This Contract shall be subordinate to any rule, regulation, order or law of the United States of America, or the State of South Carolina.

12. Design/Builder and its employees shall promptly observe and comply with then applicable provisions of all Federal, State and local laws, rules and regulations which govern or apply to the goods and services rendered by the Design/Builder hereunder, or to the wages paid by the Design/Builder to its employees. Design/Builder shall require all of its prime and subcontractors and consultants to comply with the provisions of this paragraph.

13. Design/Builder shall procure and keep in force during the term of this contract all necessary licenses, registrations, certificates, permits and other authorizations as are required by law in order for Design/Builder to render its services hereunder. Design/Builder shall require all of its prime and subcontractors and consultants to comply with the provisions of this paragraph.

14. All remedies provided in this Contract shall be deemed cumulative and additional and not in lieu of or exclusive of each other or of any other remedy available to any party at law or in equity. In the event one party shall prevail in any action (including appellate proceedings), at law or in equity arising hereunder, the losing party will pay all costs, expense, reasonable attorneys' fees and all other actual and reasonable expenses incurred in the defense and/or prosecution of any legal or arbitration proceedings, including, but not limited to, those for paralegal, investigate and legal support services and actual fees charged by expert witnesses for testimony and analysis, incurred by the prevailing party referable thereto.

15. Design/Builder represents and warrants unto Owner that no officer, employee or agent of Owner has any interest, either directly or indirectly, in the business of the Design/Builder to be conducted hereunder. Design/Builder further represents and warrants to Owner that it has not employed or retained any company person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Design/Builder, to solicit or secure this Contract, that it has not paid or agreed to any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Design/Builder, any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Contract, and that it has not agreed, as an express or implied condition for obtaining this Contract, to employ or retain the services of any firm or person in connection with carrying out this Contract. Design/Builder assures that it will insert the above provision in each of its prime and subcontractor and consultants agreements relating to the services to be performed hereunder.

16. The headings of the sections of this Contract are for the purpose of convenience only and shall not be deemed to expand or limit the provisions contained in such sections.

17. This Contract, including all Contract documents, constitute the entire understanding and agreement between the parties and shall supersede and replace all prior agreements or understandings, written or oral, relating to the matters set forth herein.

18. This Contract shall not be amended or modified other than in writing signed by the parties hereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Amendments that are not being paid for, in whole or in part, with funds granted by the United States of America or State of South Carolina need not be approved by them.

19. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina, U.S.A. All claims, disputes and other matters in question between parties arising out of, or relating to, this Agreement, or the breach thereof, shall be decided in the Circuit Court of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit in Georgetown County, South Carolina. By executing this Agreement, all parties specifically consent to venue and jurisdiction in Georgetown County, South Carolina and waive any right to contest jurisdiction and venue in said Court. In the event any provision hereof shall be finally determined to be unenforceable, or invalid, such unenforceability or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Contract which shall remain in full force and effect.

#### 20. Termination of Contract

- a) The Owner may, by written notice, terminate this Contract in whole or in part at any time, either for the Owner's convenience or because of failure to fulfill the Contract obligations. Upon receipt of such notice, services shall be immediately discontinued (unless the notice directs otherwise) and all materials as may have been accumulated in performed this Contract, whether completed or in process, delivered to the Owner.

- b) Contract price shall be made, but no amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit on unperformed services.
- c) If the termination is due to failure to fulfill the Design/Builder's obligations, the Owner may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise. In such case, the Design/Builder shall be liable to the Owner for any additional cost occasioned to the Owner thereby.
- d) If, after notice of termination for failure to fulfill its Contract obligations, it is determined that the Design/Builder had not failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of the Owner. In such event, adjustment in the Contract price shall be made as provided in paragraph 20.a of this clause.
- e) The rights and remedies of the Owner provided in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.
- f) **Non-Appropriation Clause**  
Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the parties agree that the rental is payable by Lessee from appropriations, grants, and monies from the State Legislature and other governmental entities. In the event sufficient appropriation, grants, and monies are not made available to Lessee to pay this rent for any fiscal year, this Agreement shall terminate without further obligation of Lessee. In such event, the chief executive officer of Lessee shall certify to Lessor that sufficient funds have not been made available to Lessee to meet the obligations of this Agreement; and such certification shall be conclusive upon the parties.

[The remainder of this page intentionally left blank.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Owner and Design/Builder hereto have signed and sealed this Contract on the day and date first above written in three counterparts, each deemed an original contract.

**Georgetown County, SC**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Johnny Morant  
County Council Chair

**Design/Builder Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

(SEAL)

SAMPLE

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