

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS



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Comprehensive Fee Study

Proposals Due 06/12/2019 @ 4:00 PM City of West Hollywood Attention: City Clerk 8300 Santa Monica Blvd West Hollywood, CA 90069

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Section 1 – General Information

1.1 Statement of Purpose

In May, 2016, City Council received and filed the <u>Cost of Services Study</u>, which examined all fees that are based on staffing costs to determine what it costs to provide those fee-related services and adjust fees based on the full cost of services or the economic considerations. Moving forward, the cost of services studies will be performed by the City every four years to align with every other two-year budget.

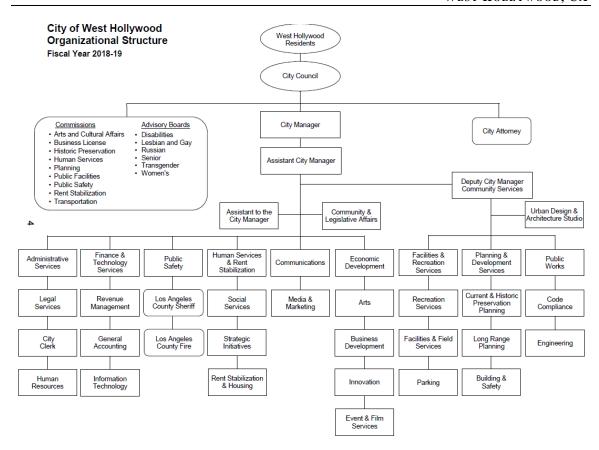
The City of West Hollywood ("City") is soliciting proposals from qualified proposers to undertake a comprehensive citywide review of all City fees and charges. The scope of work will include conducting a comprehensive review of the City's existing fees, conducting a comparative analysis of fees to those of surrounding cities, helping the city develop or modify the existing model for adjusting fees and providing a comprehensive report with conclusions and recommendations.

1.2 General Information about the City

The City of West Hollywood is located in Los Angeles County and serves an area of 1.9 square miles and an approximate population of 35,000. The City's fiscal year begins on July 1st and ends on June 30th.

The City of West Hollywood is a General Law City with a Council/Manager form of government. The City is also a contract city, which contracts out many of its public services. The City is comprised of 10 Departments and 37 Divisions. More information on the City's finances can be found on the Financial Reports & Budgets page of the City's website.

For more information on the City's Mission Statement, Core Values, or our Primary Strategic Goals or Ongoing Strategic Programs, the City's Vision2020 Strategic Plan can be accessed electronically by clicking West Hollywood Strategic Plan on City Services and Information pages of www.weho.org.



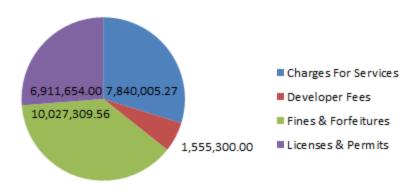
1.3 City of West Hollywood Mission Statement and Core Values

As a premiere City, we are proactive in responding to the unique needs of our diverse community, creative in finding solutions to managing our urban environment, and dedicated to preserving and enhancing its well-being. We strive for quality in all our actions, setting the highest goals and standards.

1.4 Background on City Fees and Fee Study

As required by law, the City Council held a public hearing on April 15, 2019 and adopted a Fee Resolution 19-5166 establishing the fees and charges for Fiscal Year 2020. The current year's fee resolution can be found on the City's website. There are roughly 900 fees on the fee schedule. Excluding revenues received from collecting taxes, the City is fairly diversified in the other major types of revenue collected.

Major Revenue Categories



1.5 Scope of Services

The selected firm will be responsible for providing the following services to the City of West Hollywood:

- A. Review all existing City fees, rates and charges including:
 - a. Meeting with staff and conducting interviews as needed to gain an understanding of the City's processes and operations.
 - b. Documenting the current justification for the existence of each fee type and rate.
 - c. Reviewing similar fees in comparable municipalities and documenting the findings.
 - d. Meeting with the local business, residential, and development communities to determine the impact of fees on the local community.
- B. Analyze and document whether each City fee fully covers the cost to provide the service. Costs should include:
 - a. Appropriate general and administrative overhead allocations to City activities.
 - b. Applicable overhead rates for use in calculating the City's billable hourly rates.
- C. Report on other matters that come to your attention in the course of your evaluation that in your professional opinion the City should consider. Present all draft findings to City's Management team for review.

- D. Provide a completed draft report to be reviewed by City Management team prior finalizing. The draft and final fee study report should include the following:
 - a. Justifications for the existence of each of the City's fees and its applicable rate.
 - b. Recommendations regarding changes (additions or deletions) to the City's existing fees based on the research and cost analysis performed by the consultant, the consultant's knowledge and expertise of municipal fees, and discussions with the local community.
 - c. Recommendations for developing or modifying the City's existing model for adjusting fees, adding fee types and rates.
 - i. Include additional or potential services areas
 - ii. Future service enhancements
 - iii. The ability to calculate the estimated costs of providing the services under consideration.
 - iv. Identify best practices in stablishing fees.
- E. Make presentation of final report and conclusions to City Council, if needed
- F. Optional Services: OMB Circular A87 Cost Allocation Study.

The City currently has an updated <u>OMB Circular A-87</u> intergovernmental cost recovery plan in place. This plan is necessary to allocate indirect cost for interfund transfers and calculations. The City's goal is to have a well- documented and defensible cost allocation plan which complies with Proposition 218. Therefore, it would be desirable, as a supplemental part of the Comprehensive Fee Study, for qualified bidders to provide the following:

- a. A methodology appropriate for the calculation and allocation of an overhead cost rate complying with OMB Circular A-87.
- b. A study of each program with overhead costs that are borne in whole or in part by the General Fund and that can receive overhead cost reimbursement from State or Federal governments and/or other sources.
- G. Software Application for Fee Study and or Cost Allocation plan. The City desires a software application program which would enable staff to add, delete, or update the final Fee Study and or Cost Allocation Plan as needed.
 - a. Discuss the tools that can be provided to maintain the cost allocation plan from 2020 through 2024. Please list any minimum requirements that the city must provide for these tools to work, such

as windows versions, internet browser versions, Microsoft Office applications and version.

b. Discuss the training to be provided by the Consultant to City staff.

Section 2 – Proposal Instructions

2.1 Access to RFP

A copy of the RFP can be downloaded from this URL: https://www.weho.org/city-government/city-clerk/public-notices/rfp-rfq-bid-notices The RFP can also be downloaded by registering with the City's bid portal at this URL: http://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=22761.

2.2 RFP Coordination, Communication and Questions

The City's principal contact for this proposal will be Claudia Duncan, Senior Financial Management Analyst, (323) 848-6485, cduncan@weho.org, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069. Communication or solicitation with other City of West Hollywood Officials or Employees regarding any aspect of this RFP is expressly prohibited and may result in disqualification.

All questions concerning this RFP must be submitted online via the Q&A Section of the bid management software:

URL: http://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=22761.

The official responses to questions or requests for interpretation submitted for this RFP will be posted in Q&A section of the bid management software. The cutoff for submission of questions shall be at 4:00 p.m. on the May 30, 2019. Any information resulting from questions that causes a material change in the solicitation will be posted on the Addenda & E-mails section of the bid management system as an addendum.

2.3 Schedule of Events:

The timing of the proposal's review and selection process is subject to change, depending on the needs of the City, but is anticipated as follows:

Request for Proposal Issued May 23, 2019 RFP questions due via email May 30, 2019 Distribution of answers to questions June 4, 2019

Proposals due online at the City's bid portal

No later than 4:00 p.m.

Interviews with final candidates

Negotiation with final candidate

City Council approval of contract award

Implementation Start Date

June 12, 2019

June 24-28, 2019

July 1-5, 2019

August 12, 2019

2.4 RFP Amendments

The City reserves the right to change the RFP schedule or issue amendments to the RFP at any time. In the event the City amends the RFP, the City will extend the Proposal Due Date commensurately. The City also reserves the right to cancel or reissue the RFP.

2.5 Procedure for Submitting Proposals

Failure to comply with the requirements of this RFP may result in disqualification. Proposals received subsequent to the time and date specified above will not be considered. Proposals must include all the sections listed below and must be indexed and numbered in the order outlined below. List your responses and/or any reference to attachments as indexed and numbered below. To assist in the evaluation of the responses, please utilize the section titles listed below. Additional relevant information may be provided by attaching a *Supporting Documentation* section.

A. Time, Place and Format

a. Time and deadlines

Proposals must be submitted on the City's bid portal no later than 4:00 p.m. on the date indicated in the Proposal Schedule. Proposals received after 4:00 p.m. on the date indicated in the Proposal Schedule, regardless of the date of their postmark, will be rejected. The responder is solely responsible for "on time" submission of their electronic proposal. The City will only consider proposals that have been transmitted successfully and have been issued an e-bid confirmation number with a time stamp from the Bid Management System indicating that bid was submitted successfully.

b. Proposals must:

- a. Must be submitted electronically on the City's bid portal http://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=22761
- b. All submissions must have a cover sheet that states "Comprehensive Fee Study RFP" and identifies the firm.
- c. All submissions must include a signed and scanned copy of Appendix A.
- d. All submissions must include a completely filled out copy of Appendix B
- c. Proposals must address the requirements of the RFP in the exact order set forth in this Section. They should be as concise as possible and must not contain any promotional, advertising or display material.

2.6 Format and Contents

The content and sequence of the information contained in each copy of the proposal shall be separated by tabs as follows:

A. Summary Sheet

This section of the proposal must include a fully completed copy of the Summary Sheet (Appendix B) included with this RFP.

B. Table of Contents

Include a clear identification of the material by section and by page number.

C. Letter of Transmittal

- a. Limit to one or two pages.
- b. Briefly state the proposers understanding of the work to be done and make a positive commitment to perform the work.
- c. State why you believe you are the best qualified to perform the services requested.
- d. State that your firm all of the general requirements of the RFP and can fully satisfy those requirements.

D. Consultant Information

- a. Name and address of your firm and the individual/corporate officer authorized to execute this agreements;
- b. A brief description of your firm's history, ownership, organizational structure, location of its management, and licenses to do business in the State of California.
- c. The names, experience, qualifications and applicable licenses held by the individuals primarily responsible for servicing the City and any other person(s), whether as employees or subcontractors, with specialized skills that would be assigned to service the City.
- d. A listing of local government clients with which you have similar contracts; include the name, address and telephone number of contract person.
- e. A statement to assurance to the effect that your firm is not currently in violation of any regulatory rules and regulations that may have any impact on your firm's operations.
- f. Provide information on three recent, similar projects specifying the following information:
 - i. Name, location, year of completion
 - ii. Name of Project Manager and Key Staff
 - iii. Brief description of the project, specifically the format and techniques used.

iv. Name, address, phone number of client with name of contact person.

E. Project Approach/Scope of Services

Describe in detail your proposal to fulfill the requirements of the scope of services. Describe the Firm's approach and methodology to:

- a. Describe in detail the Firm's approach for conducting the Fee Study and Analysis
- b. Interacting and conducting meetings with City staff and key members of the community.
- c. Technology used to perform the tasks of the scope of services.
- d. Provide a detail time frame for the process.

F. Cost Proposal

- a. In a table, provide a not-to-exceed budget, required to provide the City of West Hollywood with the Scope of Services as described in this RFP. State whether or not all costs, including travel costs if needed, are included in the hourly rates.
- b. Provide a list of milestones/deliverables associated with either a task or phase of the scope of work. Include a milestone payment schedule based on a flat amount or as a percentage of the budget that the City will pay over the course of the project.

G. Pending Litigation

Include an explanation and status, if in the last five years, the firm or an officer or principal of the firm has been involved in any litigation, legal proceedings, or investigations by a regulatory authority.

H. Certification of Proposals

Return a copy of the entire completed certification properly executed as provided for in Appendix A.

I. Contracts and Insurance

a. Provide a statement that the sample contract (Appendix C) has been reviewed and whether or not any changes to the boiler plate contract language are being requested.

Example Responses:

- □ No Changes to the standard contract are required or requested
 □ Our Legal Department has revised the agreement and has requested the following change to section 8.2.1, line 4-5...
 - b. For the duration of the contract, Respondents shall procure and maintain insurance as described in the City's Professional Services Contract (Appendix C including Exhibit B). Indicate whether or not the Respondent is prepared to meet these requirements

Proposed changes will not have any influence on the evaluation of the proposal, but will speed up the process of the selected consultant to sign the contract documents. The proposed changes will be reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office and Risk Management Officer prior to signing the contract documents

2.7 Proposal Evaluation and Selection

- A. Proposals shall remain valid for 180 days from the Proposal Due Date specified in Section 2.3 until the execution of a contract by the City of West Hollywood
- B. Proposals shall be examined and evaluated by the City to determine whether each proposal meets the requirements of this RFP. No single criterion, including price, will dictate the City's ultimate selection. The relative importance of these factors involves judgment on the part of the City staff and will include both objective and subjective analysis. A recommendation will be made to the City Council for a contract award based on the following criteria:
 - a. Demonstrated knowledge and experience with similar projects.
 - b. Qualifications, capacity and technical capabilities.
 - c. Project approach and proposed work plan.
 - d. Firm's reputation and its staff qualifications and experience
 - e. Cost of services
- C. A proposal that fails to address any one or more critical specification of the RFP will not be considered.
- D. A Notification of Intent to Award may be sent to any Firm selected. Award is contingent upon the successful negotiation of final contract terms. Negotiations shall be confidential and not subject to disclosure to competing Firms unless an agreement is reached. If contract negotiations cannot be concluded successfully, the City may negotiate a contract with the next highest scoring Firm or withdraw the RFP.

2.8 Firm Interviews and Presentations

Firms selected as the finalists may be required to make an oral presentation of their proposal to City during the RFP evaluation period. This presentation will provide Firms the opportunity to detail their work plan, experience and approach to ensure thorough and mutual understanding.

All expenses incurred by the Firm for participating in the oral presentations, including the executive management overview will be the responsibility of the Firm.

2.9 General Requirements

A. Inclusion of Proposal

The proposal submitted in response to this RFP may be incorporated as part of the final contract with the selected Firm.

B. Right to Reject Any or All Proposals

The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities or formalities, and to accept any proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the City. Where two or more firms are deemed equal, the City reserves the right to make the award to one of the two firms.

C. Withdrawal of Proposals

Firms may withdraw their proposals, without prejudice, prior to the date and time specified for proposal submission, by sending a written request to John Leonard, Revenue Management Manage of The Finance and Technology Services Department.

D. Proposal Validity Period

Submission of a proposal will signify the Firm's agreement that the proposal is valid for 180 days from the Proposal Due Date specified in Section 2.3.

E. Expenses of Proposal Preparation

Each proposal prepared in response to this RFP shall be done at the sole cost and expense of each proposing Firm and with the express understanding that no claims against the City for reimbursement will be accepted.

F. Public Records and Right to Submitted Proposals

All proposals, inquires, responses, or correspondence related to or in reference to this request for proposals, and all reports, charts, displays, schedules, exhibits, and other documentation submitted by the Firm will become the property of the City when received.

The City of West Hollywood is subject to California law regarding the disclosure of public records. Firms must clearly identify any information they regard as proprietary in the proposal. Any such information should be marked "Proprietary" or "Confidential." Information that is proprietary within the meaning of California law will be withheld from any public records requests. All other information is subject to disclosure.

G. Contracts and Insurance Requirements

The selected Firm must provide and maintain in force at all times during the term of the services contemplated herein insurance for Workers' Compensations and Commercial General Liability in amounts consistent with the services provided and as determined jointly by the City and the firm. Such policies should be issued by companies admitted in the State of California.

It is recognized that the formal basis of any agreement between the Firm and the City will be a contract rather than a proposal. The City maintains various policies related to contractual service providers. Among these are anti-discrimination, a living wage, and equal benefits policy. In submitting proposals, Firms must indicate that they are prepared to comply with City ordinances and policies. As part of the contract or during contract negotiations, the City may request that the selected firm sign a statement affirming its compliance with these policies. In addition, insurance will be required as part of the contract. Appendix C includes sample Professional Services Agreement.

Appendix A Certification of Proposal to the City

- The undersigned hereby submits its proposal and, by doing so, agrees to furnish services to the City in accordance with the Request for Proposal (RFP), dated May 23, 2019 and to be bound by the terms and conditions of the RFP.
- 2. The Firm has carefully reviewed its proposal and understands and agrees that the City is not responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the Firm and that the Firm is responsible for them.
- 3. It is understood and agreed that the City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive any informality or irregularity in any proposal received by the City.
- 4. The proposal includes all of the commentary, figures and data required by the Request for Proposals, dated May 23, 2019.
- 5. This Firm has carefully read and fully understands all of the items contained in the General Requirements. The Firm agrees to all of the General Requirements except for those listed on an attachment.
- 6. The proposal by this proposer is an irrevocable offer and shall be valid for 180 days from **June 12, 2019**.

Name of Firm:				
Ву:				
(Authorized Signature)				
Type Name:				
Title:				
Address:				
Telephone Number:				
Fax Number:				
Email:				
Data				

Appendix B Summary Sheet

Firm Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	Fax:
	State TIN
Number of years in existence:	
Management person respons required for this Request for P	sible for direct contact with the City and services roposal (RFP):
Name:	Title:
Telephone:	Fax:
Email:	
Person responsible for day-to-	
Name:	Title:
Telephone:	Fax:
Email:	
Location (address) of closest of	office to the City of West Hollywood

Attach brief biographies/resumes, including experience with local governments, for all responsible person(s) assigned to the RFP and to the City of West Hollywood.

Appendix C <u>Sample Professional Services Contract</u>

This Agreement is made on thisth day of,	, 2016, at West
Hollywood, California, by and between the City of West Hollywo	od, a municipal
corporation, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, (California 90069
(hereinafter referred to as the "CITY") and XYZ Company, 1500 Main	Street, City, CA
90000 (hereinafter referred to as the "CONTRACTOR").	

RECITALS

- A. The CITY proposes to contract for professional services as outlined below;
- B. The CONTRACTOR is willing to perform such services and has the necessary qualifications by reason of experience, preparation, and organization to provide such services:
- C. NOW, THEREFORE, the CITY and the CONTRACTOR, mutually agree as follows:
- 1. **SERVICES.** The CONTRACTOR shall perform those services set forth in "Exhibit A," which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. **TERM OF AGREEMENT.** The term of this contract shall commence upon execution by both parties and shall expire on June 30, 20___ unless extended in writing in advance by both parties.
- 3. **TIME OF PERFORMANCE.** The services of the CONTRACTOR are to commence upon receipt of a notice to proceed from the CITY and shall continue until all authorized work is completed to the CITY's satisfaction, in accordance with the schedule incorporated in "Exhibit A," unless extended in writing by the CITY.
- 4. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES. The CONTRACTOR shall be compensated in an amount not to exceed \$______ for services provided pursuant to this Agreement as described in "Exhibit A." Compensation shall under no circumstances be increased except by written amendment of this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall be paid within forty-five (45) days of presentation of an invoice to the CITY for services performed to the CITY's satisfaction. The CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices monthly describing the services performed, the date services were performed, a description of reimbursable costs, and any other information requested by the CITY.

5. **CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION.**

5.1. **The CITY's Representative.** Unless otherwise designated in writing, shall serve as the CITY's representative for the administration of the project. All activities performed by the CONTRACTOR shall be coordinated with this person.

- 5.2. **Manager-in-Charge.** For the CONTRACTOR, shall be in charge of the project on all matters relating to this Agreement and any agreement or approval made by her/him shall be binding on the CONTRACTOR. The Manager-in-Charge shall not be replaced without the written consent of the CITY.
- 5.3. **Responsibilities of the CITY.** The CITY shall provide all relevant documentation in its possession to the CONTRACTOR upon request in order to minimize duplication of efforts. The CITY's staff shall work with the CONTRACTOR as necessary to facilitate performance of the services.
- 5.4. Personnel. The CONTRACTOR represents that it has or will secure at its own expense all personnel required to perform the services under this Agreement. All of the services required under this Agreement will be performed by the CONTRACTOR or under its supervision, and all personnel engaged in the work shall be qualified to perform such services. The CONTRACTOR reserves the right to determine the assignment of its own employees to the performance of the CONTRACTOR's services under this Agreement, but the CITY reserves the right, for good cause, to require the CONTRACTOR to exclude any employee from performing services on the CITY's premises.

6. **TERMINATION.**

- 6.1. **Termination for Convenience.** Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause and in its sole discretion at any time by giving the other party thirty (30) days' written notice of such termination. In the event of such termination, the CONTRACTOR shall cease services as of the date of termination and shall be compensated for services performed to the CITY's satisfaction up to the date of termination.
- 6.2. Termination for Cause. All terms, provisions, and specifications of this Agreement are material and binding, and failure to perform any material portion of the work described herein shall be considered a breach of this Agreement. Should the Agreement be breached in any manner, the CITY may, at its option, terminate the Agreement not less than five (5) days after written notification is received by the CONTRACTOR to remedy the violation within the stated time or within any other time period agreed to by the parties. In the event of such termination, the CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for any additional costs incurred by the CITY in securing the services from another contractor.
- 7. **INDEMNIFICATION.** Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless City from and against all liability arising out of or in connection with Contractor's negligent or wrongful acts, errors or omissions in the performance of work hereunder or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in this Agreement. In the event that City is named as a party defendant in a lawsuit alleging injury as a result of Contractor's negligent or wrongful performance under this Agreement, Contractor shall defend City with counsel approved by CITY, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld, and bear responsibility for attorney's fees, expert fees and all other costs and expenses of litigation. Should conflict of interest principles preclude a

single lawyer from representing both City and Contractor, or should City otherwise find Contractor's legal counsel unacceptable, then Contractor shall reimburse the City its costs of defense, including without limitation reasonable attorney's fees, expert fees and all other costs and expenses of litigation. Contractor shall promptly pay any final, non-appealable judgment rendered against the CITY. It is expressly understood and agreed that the foregoing provisions are intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of California but the indemnity obligation will exclude such loss or damage which is determined to be caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City. The obligations established by this paragraph will survive termination of this Agreement.

For purposes of this paragraph:

- City means the City Council and its subordinate bodies, elected and appointed City officials and officers, City employees and authorized agents and volunteers of the City.
- Liability means any claims or causes of action raised or asserted by, damage to, loss or expense incurred by or judgments rendered in favor of persons or entities not a party to this Agreement.
- The types of damages included within this indemnity obligation include, but are not limited to, personal injury, bodily injury, death, loss of use, and damage to or loss of real and personal property.
- The indemnity obligation of this paragraph includes all forms of negligent acts, errors and omissions, wrongful behavior and willful misconduct (including but not limited to breaches of professional standards of care, if applicable, and breach of contract) by Contractor and any of its officers, agents employees and subcontractors.

8. **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.**

- 8.1. The CONTRACTOR, at the CONTRACTOR's own cost and expense, shall procure and maintain, for the duration of the contract, the following insurance policies:
 - 8.1.1. Workers' Compensation Coverage. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance for its employees in accordance with the laws of the State of California. In addition, the CONTRACTOR shall require any and every subcontractor to similarly maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of California for all of the subcontractor's employees. Any notice of cancellation or non-renewal of all Workers' Compensation policies must be received by the CITY at least thirty (30) days prior to such change. The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the CITY, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers for losses arising from work performed by the CONTRACTOR for City. This provision shall not apply if the CONTRACTOR has no employees performing work under this Agreement. If the CONTRACTOR has no employees for the purposes of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall sign the "Certificate of

Exemption from Workers' Compensation Insurance" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as "Exhibit B."

- 8.1.2. **General Liability Coverage**. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain commercial general liability insurance in an amount of not less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage. If a commercial general liability insurance form or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the work to be performed under this Agreement or the general aggregate limit shall be at least twice the required occurrence limit.
- 8.1.3. Automobile Liability Coverage. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain automobile liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage for all activities of the CONTRACTOR arising out of or in connection with the work to be performed under this Agreement, including coverage for owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles, in an amount of not less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) combined single limit for each occurrence. If CONTRACTOR or CONTRACTOR's employees will use personal autos in any way on this project, CONTRACTOR shall obtain evidence of personal auto liability coverage for each such person.
- 8.1.4. **Professional Liability Coverage**. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain professional errors and omissions liability insurance for protection against claims alleging negligent acts, errors, or omissions which may arise from the CONTRACTOR's operations under this Agreement, whether such operations be by the CONTRACTOR or by its employees, subcontractors, or sub-consultants. The amount of this insurance shall not be less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000) on a claims-made annual aggregate basis, or a combined single-limit-per-occurrence basis.
- 8.2. **Endorsements**. Each general liability and automobile liability insurance policy shall be issued by insurers possessing a Best's rating of no less than A-:VII. Each general liability insurance policy shall be endorsed with the specific language of Section 8.2.1 below. CONTRACTOR also agrees to require all contractors, and subcontractors to do likewise.
 - 8.2.1. "The CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of work performed by or on behalf of the CONTRACTOR, including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations."
 - 8.2.2. This policy shall be considered primary insurance as respects the CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents, and volunteers. Any insurance maintained by the CITY, including any self-insured retention the CITY may have, shall be considered excess insurance only and shall not contribute with this policy.

- 8.2.3. This insurance shall act for each insured and additional insured as though a separate policy had been written for each, except with respect to the limits of liability of the insuring company.
- 8.2.4. Notwithstanding the provisions included in any of the ISO Additional Insured Endorsement forms, CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the insurance coverage and policy limits set forth in this section constitute the minimum amounts of coverage required. Any insurance proceeds available to the CITY in excess of the limits and coverage required in this agreement and which is applicable to a given loss will be available to the CITY.
- 8.2.5. The insurer waives all rights of subrogation against the CITY, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, or agents regardless of the applicability of any insurance proceeds, and agrees to require all subcontractors to do likewise.
- 8.2.6. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the City, its elected or appointed officers, officials, employees, agents, or volunteers.
- 8.2.7. The insurance provided by this policy shall not be suspended, voided or reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' written notice has been submitted to the CITY and approved of in writing, except in the case of cancellation, for which ten (10) days' written notice shall be provided.
- 8.2.8. Contractor agrees to provide immediate notice to City of any claim or loss against Contractor arising out of the work performed under this agreement. City assumes no obligation or liability by such notice, but has the right (but not the duty) to monitor the handling of any such claim or claims if they are likely to involve City.
- 8.3. Self-Insured Retention/Deductibles. All policies required by this Agreement shall allow City, as additional insured, to satisfy the self-insured retention ("SIR") and/or deductible of the policy in lieu of the Owner (as the named insured) should Owner fail to pay the SIR or deductible requirements. The amount of the SIR or deductible shall be subject to the approval of the City Attorney and the Finance Director. Owner understands and agrees that satisfaction of this requirement is an express condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement. Failure by Owner as primary insured to pay its SIR or deductible constitutes a material breach of this Agreement. Should City pay the SIR or deductible on Owner's behalf upon the Owner's failure or refusal to do so in order to secure defense and indemnification as an additional insured under the policy, City may include such amounts as damages in any action against Owner for breach of this Agreement in addition to any other damages incurred by City due to the breach.
- 8.4. **Certificates of Insurance**. The CONTRACTOR shall provide certificates of insurance with original endorsements to the CITY as evidence of the

insurance coverage required herein. Certificates of such insurance shall be filed with the CITY on or before commencement of performance of this Agreement. Current certification of insurance shall be kept on file with the CITY at all times during the term of this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall provide written evidence of current automobile coverage to comply with the automobile insurance requirement.

- 8.5. **Failure to Procure Insurance**. Failure on the part of the CONTRACTOR to procure or maintain required insurance shall constitute a material breach of contract under which the CITY may terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 6.2 above.
- 9. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING. The parties recognize that a substantial inducement to the CITY for entering into this Agreement is the professional reputation, experience, and competence of the CONTRACTOR. Assignments of any or all rights, duties, or obligations of the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement will be permitted only with the express consent of the CITY. The CONTRACTOR shall not subcontract any portion of the work to be performed under this Agreement without the written authorization of the CITY. If the CITY consents to such subcontract, the CONTRACTOR shall be fully responsible to the CITY for all acts or omissions of the subcontractor. Nothing in this Agreement shall create any contractual relationship between the CITY and subcontractor nor shall it create any obligation on the part of the CITY to pay or to see to the payment of any monies due to any such subcontractor other than as otherwise is required by law.
- 10. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS, CODES, ORDINANCES, AND REGULATIONS.** The CONTRACTOR shall use the standard of care in its profession to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations.
 - 10.1. Taxes. The CONTRACTOR agrees to pay all required taxes on amounts paid to the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement, and to indemnify and hold the CITY harmless from any and all taxes, assessments, penalties, and interest asserted against the CITY by reason of the independent contractor relationship created by this Agreement. In the event that the CITY is audited by any Federal or State agency regarding the independent contractor status of the CONTRACTOR and the audit in any way fails to sustain the validity of a wholly independent contractor relationship between the CITY and the CONTRACTOR, then the CONTRACTOR agrees to reimburse the CITY for all costs, including accounting and attorneys' fees, arising out of such audit and any appeals relating thereto.
 - 10.2. Workers' Compensation Law. The CONTRACTOR shall fully comply with the workers' compensation law regarding the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR's employees. The CONTRACTOR further agrees to indemnify and hold the CITY harmless from any failure of the CONTRACTOR to comply with applicable workers' compensation laws. The CITY shall have the right to offset against the amount of any compensation due to the CONTRACTOR under this Agreement any amount due to the CITY from the CONTRACTOR as a result of the CONTRACTOR's failure to promptly pay to the CITY any reimbursement or indemnification arising under this Section.

- 10.3. Licenses. The CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to the CITY that it has all licenses, permits, qualifications, insurance, and approvals of whatsoever nature which are legally required of the CONTRACTOR to practice its profession. The CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to the CITY that the CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, keep in effect or obtain at all times during the term of this Agreement any licenses, permits, insurance, and approvals which are legally required of the CONTRACTOR to practice its profession. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain a City of West Hollywood business license, if required under CITY ordinance.
- 11. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** The CONTRACTOR confirms that it has no financial, contractual, or other interest or obligation that conflicts with or is harmful to performance of its obligations under this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall not during the term of this Agreement knowingly obtain such an interest or incur such an obligation, nor shall it employ or subcontract with any person for performance of this Agreement who has such incompatible interest or obligation.
- 12. NON-DISCRIMINATION AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY. CONTRACTOR represents and agrees that it does not and will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation or opinion, medical condition, or pregnancy or pregnancy-related condition. The CONTRACTOR will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation or opinion, medical condition, or pregnancy or pregnancy-related condition. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoffs or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The CONTRACTOR agrees to include in all solicitations or advertisements for employment and to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- 13. **LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE.** The CONTRACTOR shall abide by the provisions of the West Hollywood Living Wage Ordinance. During the term of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall keep on file sufficient evidence of its employee compensation to enable verification of compliance with the West Hollywood Living Wage Ordinance.
- 14. **EQUAL BENEFITS ORDINANCE, No. 03-662.** The CONTRACTOR shall abide by the provisions of the West Hollywood Equal Benefits Ordinance. During the term of this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall keep on file sufficient evidence of its employee compensation and any applicable benefits packages, as those benefits relate to the coverage of the domestic partners of contractor's employees, which shall include; bereavement leave; family medical leave, and health insurance benefits, to enable verification of compliance with the West Hollywood Equal Benefits Ordinance.
- 15. **RESTRICTIONS:** Arab League Boycott of Israel. The CONTRACTOR hereby affirms it does not honor the Arab League Boycott of Israel.

- 16. RECORDS AND AUDITS. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain accounts and records, including personnel, property, and financial records, adequate to identify and account for all costs pertaining to this Agreement and such other records as may be deemed necessary by the CITY or any authorized representative. All records shall be made available at the request of the CITY, with reasonable notice, during regular business hours, and shall be retained by the CONTRACTOR for a period of three years after the expiration of this Agreement.
- 17. **OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS.** It is understood and agreed that the CITY shall own all documents and other work product of the CONTRACTOR, except the CONTRACTOR's notes and work papers, which pertain to the work performed under this Agreement. The CITY shall have the sole right to use such materials in its discretion and without further compensation to the CONTRACTOR, but any re-use of such documents by the CITY on any other project without prior written consent of the CONTRACTOR shall be at the sole risk of the CITY. The CONTRACTOR shall at its sole expense provide all such documents to the CITY upon request.
- 18. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.** The CONTRACTOR is and shall at all times remain as to the CITY a wholly independent CONTRACTOR. Neither the CITY nor any of its agents shall have control over the conduct of the CONTRACTOR or any of the CONTRACTOR's employees or agents, except as herein set forth. The CONTRACTOR shall not at any time or in any manner represent that it or any of its agents or employees are in any manner agents or employees of the CITY. The CONTRACTOR shall have no power to incur any debt, obligation, or liability on behalf of the CITY or otherwise act on behalf of the CITY as an agent.
- 19. **NOTICE.** All Notices permitted or required under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed made when delivered to the applicable party's representative as provided in this Agreement. Additionally, such notices may be given to the respective parties at the following addresses, or at such other addresses as the parties may provide in writing for this purpose.

Such notices shall be deemed made when personally delivered or when mailed fortyeight (48) hours after deposit in the U.S. mail, first-class postage prepaid, and addressed to the party at its applicable address.

West Hollywood, CA 90069-6216			
Attention:			
CONTRACTOR: Organization Name Street Address, City State ZIP			
Attention:			

City of West Hollywood 8300 Santa Monica Blvd.

20. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.

- 21. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT; MODIFICATION.** This Agreement supersedes any and all other agreements, either oral or written, between the parties, and contains all of the covenants and agreements between the parties. Each party to this Agreement acknowledges that no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, have been made by any party, or anyone acting on behalf of any party, which are not embodied herein. Any agreement, statement, or promise not contained in the Agreement, and any modification to the Agreement, will be effective only if signed by both parties.
- 22. **WAIVER.** Waiver of a breach or default under this Agreement shall not constitute a continuing waiver of a subsequent breach of the same or any other provision under this agreement. Payment of any invoice by the CITY shall not constitute a waiver of the CITY's right to obtain correction or replacement of any defective or noncompliant work product.
- 23. **EXECUTION.** This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall constitute one and the same instrument and shall become binding upon the parties when at least one copy hereof shall have been signed by both parties hereto. In approving this Agreement, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart.
- 24. **AUTHORITY TO ENTER AGREEMENT.** The CONTRACTOR has all requisite power and authority to conduct its business and to execute, deliver, and perform this Agreement. Each party warrants that the individuals who have signed this Agreement have the legal power, right, and authority to make this Agreement and to bind each respective party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the, 20	parties have executed this Agreement the day
	CONTRACTOR:
	Name, Title
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD:	
Department Director	
Paul Arevalo, City Manager	
ATTEST:	
Yvonne Quarker, City Clerk	

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES Exhibit A

Include specific tasks, in-person meetings, interim work products (if any) and at least one final work product (e.g., a report or memo).

Time of Performance:

Include a schedule or timeline for delivering interim and final work products. May include specific dates or the number of weeks (e.g., within 30 days of project initiation).

Special Payment Terms:

NONE

(only if additional to section C.4. on page 1)

E.g., include a pricing sheet or hourly rate, if required or implied. Otherwise, state "None".

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES Exhibit B

Certificate of Exemption from Workers' Compensation Insurance

	Walker a	sinpendation industrial					
TO:	City of West Hollywood						
SUBJECT:	Sole Proprietor/Partnership/Closely Held Corporation with No Employees						
Please let this	Please let this memorandum notify the City of West Hollywood that I am a						
 □ sole proprietor □ partnership □ nonprofit organization □ closely held corporation 							
and do not have any employees whose employment requires me to carry workers' compensation insurance. Therefore, I do not carry worker's compensation insurance coverage.							
Contractor Sig	gnature						
Printed Name	of Contractor						
Date	_						