

# CITY OF GREELEY Purchasing

Request for Proposal RFP #F24-01-005

**Retiming Storage Investigation** 

for

**WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT** 

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) RFP #F24-01-005

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Proposals must be received no later than the date indicated in the Schedule of Events below.

Proposals received after this date and time will not be considered for award.

#### ONLY ELECTRONIC RFP RESPONSES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

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| Schedule of Events (subject to change)  | All times are MST         |
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| RFP Issued                              | February 13,, 2024        |
| Optional Pre-Proposal Conference vis MS | February 23, 2024, 1:00PM |
| Teams (See link below)                  |                           |
| Inquiry Deadline                        | March 1, 2024, 4:00PM     |
| Final Addendum Issued                   | March 6, 2024             |
| Proposal Due Date                       | March 15, 2024 2:00PM     |
| Interviews (tentative)                  | TBD                       |
| Notice of Award (tentative)             | TBD                       |

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"Public Viewing Copy: The City is a governmental entity subject to the Colorado Open Records Act, C.R.S. §§ 24-72-200.1 et seq. ("CORA"). Any proposals submitted hereunder are subject to public disclosure by the City pursuant to CORA and City ordinances. Vendors may submit one (1) additional complete proposal clearly marked "FOR PUBLIC VIEWING." In this version of the proposal, the Vendor may redact text and/or data that it deems confidential or proprietary pursuant to CORA. Such statement does not necessarily exempt such documentation from public disclosure if required by CORA, by order of a court of appropriate jurisdiction, or other applicable law. Generally, under CORA trade secrets, confidential commercial and financial data information is not required to be disclosed by the City. Proposals may not be marked "Confidential" or 'Proprietary' in their entirety. All provisions of any contract resulting from this request for proposal will be public information."

#### SECTION I. BACKGROUND, OVERVIEW, AND GOALS

#### A. Background

The City of Greeley is a home rule municipality with a council-manager form of government and is the county seat and the most populous municipality of Weld County, Colorado. Greeley is in northern Colorado and is situated 52 miles north-northeast of the Colorado State Capitol in Denver. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the population of the city is roughly 111,000 which makes it the 12th-most populous city in Colorado. The City has an annual budget of ~\$490M with a fiscal year that starts Jan 1st, and employees over 1100 employees. Greeley is a major city of the Front Range Urban Corridor and home to the University of Northern Colorado which is a public baccalaureate and graduate research university with approximately 12,000 students and six colleges as well as Aims Community College, which has served the community since 1967.

#### B. Overview

The City of Greeley Water and Sewer Department (Greeley) completed the Integrated Water Resource Plan (IWRP) in 2023. The IWRP is a long-term strategic water resources master plan that ensures sustainable and affordable water supplies for Greelev customers now and into the future. The plan integrates Greelev's water supply system and projected demands with possible future conditions around hydrology, climate change, and risks to the Greeley system. Notably, an adaptive plan was created to ensure the IWRP findings continue to impact planning decisions and evolve with current conditions. The adaptive plan calls for consistent monitoring to ensure a timely and efficient integration of the Terry Ranch Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project (Terry Ranch). The IWRP identifies necessary planning studies to support the adaptive plan. The first of these projects is the Storage Retiming Investigation project (SRI) and its main deliverable, Greeley's Water Supply and Storage Plan. The purpose of the SRI is to evaluate opportunities to optimize Greeley's water resources portfolio through storage retiming. Storage retiming could allow Greeley to maximize the use of water rights that yield during runoff season, at a time where system demand is comparatively high, by storing these rights until system demand lowers. When paired with Greeley's Terry Ranch project, would allow Greeley to efficiently use rights by treating and delivering to store in the aguifer for future use. Consequently, this study may be used to assist Greeley in evaluating regional storage opportunities, system efficiency options, and to determine how the sustainability of Terry Ranch operations could be improved through storage retiming.

The project will leverage work completed in the Greeley Model Upgrade project completed in 2020 and the IWRP. The Greeley Model Upgrade project modernized the Greeley System Model (GSM). The GSM is a Decision Support System MODSIM, a network flow model developed at Colorado State University. The model simulates Greeley's complex water system, operating various supply sources to meet potable and non-potable demands. The MODSIM model works in conjunction with basin wide models for the Cache la Poudre and Big Thompson Rivers to appropriately simulate Greeley's water systems. The Poudre Basin Network (PBN) is a MODSIM network that simulates the water supply system and operations of the Cache la Poudre River; it integrates the operation of the Colorado-Big Thompson (CBT) project by utilizing a CBT projection tool to provide projected quota data. The PBN quantifies yield for agricultural and municipal entities and estimates streamflow. The PBN output is refined in the Post-Processor (PPP) and fed into the GSM. The Big Thompson Basin Network (BTBN) is a MODSIM network that is used to quantify the yield of Greeley's water rights in the Big Thompson River Basin. The GSM is used to test various operations and acquisition strategies to determine the yield of Greeley's water system during five future scenarios and a suite of hydrology conditions. The model functions with the objectives to maximize firm yield, minimize losses, and maximize reusable effluent.

The City of Greeley, CO is soliciting proposals from qualified water allocation modeling experts (Consultant(s)) whose efforts can offer robust solutions to the analysis of alternatives to retime the City's current and future water resources and deliver a comprehensive Water Supply and Storage Plan. The City wishes to complete this effort by December, 2025.

#### C. Goals

Goals include:

- identify alternative storage retiming opportunities
- reevaluate current model assumptions regarding storage operations

- maximize the utilization of current City owned water assets and
- provide transparent and quantifiable decision making methodologies
- deliver an updated water supply plan

To achieve these goals, the City wishes to leverage recently completed master planning efforts and build upon the adaptive plan as imagined in the IWRP.

#### SECTION II. STATEMENT OF WORK

# A. Scope of Services

The following tasks outline the expected scope of work for the Storage Retiming Investigation Project. In general, the Consultant shall develop the most cost-effective, defensible, and data-driven effort towards assessing how the City can modify future operations to maximize the ability to store water within the Greeley system and Terry Ranch. The Consultant's services required for this work will include, but are not limited to, the tasks listed below. The Consultant shall, in their proposal expand and elaborate in sufficient detail and define other tasks necessary to adequately address the City's goals and all issues and assumptions involved in the completion of this project.

All pertinent information associated with Greeley's current IWRP, the GSM, and processing tools will be provided to assist the Consultant in the execution of project work. The files include, but are not limited to, the following list.

- Greeley's 2023 Integrated Water Resources Plan and modeling documentation https://greeleygov.com/docs/default-source/water/water-plans/iwrp report final-reduced.pdf
- Greeley's 2021 Non-potable Master Plan
- Greeley's current MODSIM-DDS executable and Data Management System
- Big Thompson Basin Network (BTBN)
- Poudre Basin Network (PBN)
- Colorado-Big Thompson (CBT) projection tool
- The PBN Post Processor (PPP)
- Greeley's Poudre Basin Model input processor
- Greeley's Output Processor
- Time Series Arrays
- Associated Model Command Line Code
- System Documentation files

The Consultant shall identify additional data needs in their proposal.

# TASK SERIES 1- Groundwork

#### Task 1.1- Model review

The consultant will work with City staff to evaluate the current model assumptions and conduct a baseline review. This includes, but is not limited to, review of the current source data and calculations associated with critical model components. Corrections to assumptions and calculations are to be identified, documented, and updated accordingly.

#### Task 1.2- Establish criteria

The consultant will establish evaluation criteria through the creation of a core team of City staff and through a baseline review of GSM output. This review should identify quantifiable variables that will be used as evaluation criteria to test retiming alternatives and determine recommendations for the water supply plan. Evaluation criteria are to include operational and regulatory constraints. The baseline review will leverage the work completed in the IWRP and establish a process to apply the criteria in the evaluation phase.

#### Task Series 1 Deliverables:

#### **Model Updates:**

<u>Model Updates</u>: The consultant shall work within the current GSM to ensure that any modifications to the model are functional and up to quality control standards as set by the City. The consultant shall also work within the current data management system to update any applicable sections.

<u>Updated GSM Input workbook</u>: The consultant will provide an updated inputs spreadsheet reflecting changes in calculations, source data and input assumptions. Clear documentation of changes will be noted in the spreadsheet or in a separate document.

#### **Documentation:**

<u>Documentation of Evaluation Criteria</u>: A document that lists the key evaluation criteria identified in the baseline review, core team input and those output values within the current GSM. This document will be continually referenced in Task Series 2 and may be a living document until the completion of Task Series 2.

# TASK SERIES 2- Alternative Retiming Storage Investigation

#### Task 2.1 – Alternative Identification

The consultant will work with City staff to identify and develop alternatives for water storage. Identification of alternatives should include consideration of a change in or reimagining of operation of Greeley's current assets, as well as a review of previously identified alternatives. Potential participation in regional storage projects shall also be evaluated. Past alternative analysis will be leveraged to ensure maximum efficiency.

#### Task 2.2 – Evaluation and performance of alternatives

The consultant will evaluate alternatives in a multi-step, progressive fashion utilizing evaluation criteria to produce recommendations for the water supply plan. The multi-step approach must walk through levels of evaluation including feasibility, conceptual design, and a detailed simulation of refined alternatives. Conceptual evaluation should include costing of projects and can be defined as estimates or descriptions based upon prior knowledge, technical definitions or expert opinion. The top identified alternatives' performance should be evaluated through a full modeling analysis. The consultant will run model simulations in the GSM, post process data as needed and provide consumable data visualizations to City team members. Once analyzed, preferred alternatives should be selected based on evaluation criteria. The Consultant shall work with the City to form teams to address topics as needed. The consultant shall keep clear records of the decision-making process and conduct quality assurance and quality control measures to ensure that key performance metrics of the model meet expectations.

#### Task Series 2 Deliverables:

**Model Updates:** The consultant shall work within the current GSM to ensure that any modifications to the model are functional and up to quality control standards as set by the City. The consultant shall also work within the current data management system to update any applicable sections and allow for ease of modeling alternative scenarios.

#### **Documentation:**

<u>Table of alternatives:</u> the Table should outline the overview of each alternative, issues or concerns, criteria and decision points/rationale.

# Technical Memorandum (TM):

- 1. TM documenting the alternative identification and prioritization process
- 2. TM documenting the alternative modeling process and all associated final GSM System Model Files
- 3. TM documenting preferred alternatives

#### Meetings and presentations:

<u>Project Management Meetings</u>: The consultant is responsible for scheduling and facilitating meetings with the City's project manager at a minimum every other week during the scope of the project.

<u>Core team meetings</u>: The consultant is responsible for guiding the City in establishing a core team to support Task Series 2 as needed.

<u>Final presentation</u>: The consultant will provide a final presentation of recommendations to the City's leadership team. The presentation materials will be provided at least a week prior to the presentation for review by the City.

#### TASK 3 -Water Supply and Storage Strategy Development

Once preferred alternatives are selected, the Consultant shall work with the City to conduct a tradeoff and gap analysis. Findings should be recorded in a document outlining guidance for the City's water supply strategy. Finalized alternatives must show thorough process of selection and outline selection criteria, cost analysis and key risks and vulnerabilities. Tradeoffs for each alternative should be systematically analyzed and clearly communicated.

The consultant shall prepare a final plan to include finalized documentation of recommendations, decision-making processes, and adaptive planning measures. Documentation of any data gaps or planning needs are to be identified.

#### Task 3 Deliverables:

<u>Final Report</u>: The retiming storage investigation final report, the Water Supply and Storage Plan, should include an executive summary, table of contents, all deliverable items including detailed descriptions of tasks, steps to complete task series, and water supply strategy as outlined in task 3. All technical memorandums may be attached separately.

#### **TASK 4:** Project Management

The Consultant is responsible for tracking project budget and schedule on a monthly basis. The consultant must prepare monthly invoices and submit invoices in a timely manner for review by the City. At any time, the C may be asked to provide a status report if requested.

#### B. Period of Award

The completion date of providing the required product and services shall be **December**, 31, 2025.

If the City desires to extend the contract, no later than thirty (30) days prior to expiration, the City's Purchasing Contact may send a notice in writing to the vendor requesting firm pricing for the next twelve-month period. After the City evaluates the firm pricing proposal from the vendor, it will determine whether to extend the contract. All awards and extensions are subject to annual appropriation of funds. The provisions of the foregoing paragraphs with respect to extensions of the terms of the contract shall be null and void if the contract has been terminated or revoked during the initial term or any extension thereof. All decisions to extend the contract are at the option of the City.

#### C. Minimum Mandatory Qualifications of Offeror

The City wishes for at least one member of the consultant team to be a certified Professional Engineer.

#### SECTION III. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

# A. Issuing Office

The City's contact name listed herein is to be the sole point of contact concerning this RFP. Offerors shall not directly contact other personnel regarding matters concerning this RFP or to arrange meetings related to such.

#### B. Official Means of Communication

All official communication from the City to offerors will be via postings on an electronic solicitation notification system, the Rocky Mountain Bid System (www.rockymountainbidsystem.com). The Purchasing Contact will post notices that will include, but not be limited to, proposal document, addenda, award announcement, etc. It is incumbent upon offerors to carefully and regularly monitor the Rocky Mountain Bid System for any such postings.

#### C. Inquiries

Prospective offerors may make written inquiries by e-mail before the written inquiry deadline concerning this RFP to obtain clarification of requirements. There will be opportunity to make inquiries during the pre-proposal conference, if any. No inquiries will be accepted after the deadline. Inquiries regarding this RFP (be sure to reference RFP number) should be referred to:

E-Mail: Purchasing@greeleygov.com

Subject Line: RFP #F24-01-005 Retiming Storage Investigation

Response to offerors' inquiries will be published as addenda on the Rocky Mountain Bid System in a timely manner. Offerors cannot rely on any other statements that clarify or alter any specification or other term or condition of the RFP.

Should any interested offeror, sales representative, or manufacturer find any part of the listed specifications, terms and conditions to be discrepant, incomplete, or otherwise questionable in any respect, it shall be the responsibility of the concerned party to notify the Purchasing Contact of such matters immediately upon discovery.

#### D. Insurance

The successful contractor will be required to provide a Certificate of Insurance (Exhibit 3) or other proof of insurance naming the City of Greeley as "additional insured". Coverage must include COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY coverage with minimum limits of \$2,000,000, and WORKER'S COMPENSATION coverage with limits in accordance with State of Colorado requirements.

COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY with minimum limits for bodily injury and property damage coverage of at least \$1,000,000, plus an additional amount adequate to pay related attorneys' fees and defense costs, for each of Consultant's owned, hired or non-owned vehicles assigned to or used in performance of this Agreement.

The City shall be named as additional Insured for General and Auto Liability Insurance.

Awarded offeror must present the City with proof of PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY COVERAGE with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000.

# E. Modification or Withdrawal of Proposals

Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by the offeror prior to the established due date and time.

#### F. Minor Informalities

Minor informalities are matters of form rather than substance evident from the response or insignificant mistakes that can be waived or corrected without prejudice to other vendors. The Purchasing Manager may waive such informalities or allow the vendor to correct them depending on which is in the best interest of the City.

#### G. Responsibility Determination

The City will make awards only to responsible vendors. The City reserves the right to assess offeror responsibility at any time in this RFP process and may not make a responsibility determination for every offeror.

#### H. Acceptance of RFP Terms

A proposal submitted in response to this RFP shall constitute a binding offer. The autographic signature of a person who is legally authorized to execute contractual obligations on behalf of the offeror shall indicate

acknowledgment of this condition. A submission in response to this RFP acknowledges acceptance by the offeror of all terms and conditions as set forth herein.

#### I. Protested Solicitations and Awards

Right to protest. Any actual or prospective bidder, offeror or contractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract must protest in writing to the City Manager as a prerequisite to seeking judicial relief. Protestors are urged to seek informal resolution of their complaints initially with the Purchasing Manager. A protest shall be submitted within ten (10) calendar days after such aggrieved person knows or should have known of the facts giving rise thereto. A protest with respect to an invitation for bids or request for proposals shall be submitted in writing prior to the opening of bids or the closing date of proposals, unless the aggrieved person did not know and should not have known of the facts giving rise to such protests prior to bid opening or the closing date for proposals.

Stay of procurement during protests. In the event of a timely protest under Subsection (A) of this Section, the Purchasing Manager shall not proceed further with the solicitation or award of the contract until all administrative and judicial remedies have been exhausted or until the City Manager makes a written determination on the record that the award of a contract without delay is necessary to protect substantial interest of the City. (Ord. 75, 1984 §2 (part))

# J. Confidential/Proprietary Information

All proposals will be confidential until a contract is awarded and fully executed. At that time, all proposals and documents pertaining to the proposals will be open for public inspection, except for the material that is proprietary or confidential. However, requests for confidentiality can be submitted to the Purchasing Contact provided that the submission is in accordance with the following procedures. This remains the *sole responsibility* of the offeror. The Purchasing Contact will make no attempt to cure any information that is found to be at a variance with this procedure. The offeror may not be given an opportunity to cure any variances after proposal opening. **Neither a proposal in its entirety, nor proposal price information will be considered confidential/proprietary.** Questions regarding the application of this procedure must be directed to the Purchasing Contact listed in this RFP.

#### K. Acceptance of Proposal Content

The contents of the proposal (including persons specified to implement the project) of the successful contractor shall become contractual obligations into the contract award. Failure of the successful offeror to perform in accordance with these obligations may result in cancellation of the award and such offeror may be removed from future solicitations.

#### L. RFP Cancellation

The City reserves the right to cancel this RFP at any time, without penalty.

#### M. Negotiation of Award

In the event only one (1) responsive proposal is received by the City, the City reserves the right to negotiate the award for the services with the offeror submitting the proposal in lieu of accepting the proposal as is.

#### N. Contract

A sample copy of the contract award the City will use to contract for the services specified in this RFP is attached as Exhibit 2. The attached contract is only a sample and is not to be completed at this time.

### O. RFP Response/Material Ownership

All material submitted regarding this RFP becomes the property of the City of Greeley, unless otherwise noted in the RFP.

# P. Incurring Costs

The City is not liable for any cost incurred prior to issuance of a legally executed contract and/or a purchase order.

## Q. Utilization of Award by Other Agencies

The City of Greeley reserves the right to allow other State and local governmental agencies, political subdivisions, and/or school districts to utilize the resulting award under all terms and conditions specified and upon agreement by all parties. Usage by any other entity shall not have a negative impact on the City of Greeley in the current term or in any future terms.

#### R. Non-Discrimination

The offeror shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations involving non-discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age or sex.

#### S. News Releases

Neither the City, nor the offeror, shall make news releases pertaining to this RFP prior to execution of the contract without prior written approval of the other party. Written consent on the City's behalf is provided by the Public Information Office.

#### T. Certification of Independent Price Determination

- 1. By submission of this proposal each offeror certifies, and in the case of a joint proposal each party, thereto certifies as to its own organization, that in connection with this procurement:
  - a) The prices in this proposal have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other offeror or with any competitor;
  - b) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this proposal have not been knowingly disclosed by the offeror and will not knowingly be disclosed by the offeror prior to opening, directly or indirectly to any other offeror or to any competitor; and
  - c) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.
- 2. Each person signing the Request for Proposal form of this proposal certifies that:
  - a) He/she is the person in the offeror's organization responsible within that organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein and that he/she has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (1.a) through (1.c) above; or
  - b) He/she is not the person in the offeror's organization responsible within that organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein but that he/she has been authorized in writing to act as agent for the persons responsible for such decision in certifying that such persons have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (1.a) through (1.c)above, and as their agent does hereby so certify; and he/she has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (1.a) through (1.c) above.
- 3. A proposal will not be considered for award where (1.a), (1.c), or (2.) above has been deleted or modified. Where (1.b) above has been deleted or modified, the proposal will not be considered for award unless the offeror furnishes with the proposal a signed statement which sets forth in detail the

circumstances of the disclosure and the City's Purchasing Manager, or designee, determines that such disclosure was not made for the purpose of restricting competition.

4. The Contract Documents may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same document. The Contract Documents, including all component parts set forth above, may be executed and delivered by electronic signature by any of the parties and all parties consent to the use of electronic signatures.

#### U. Taxes

The City of Greeley is exempt from all federal excise taxes and all Colorado State and local government sales and use taxes. Where applicable, contractor will be responsible for payment of use taxes.

#### V. Assignment and Delegation

Neither party to any resulting contract may assign or delegate any portion of the agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.

#### W. Availability of Funds

Financial obligations of the City of Greeley payable after the current fiscal year are contingent upon funds for that purpose being appropriated, budgeted and otherwise made available. In the event funds are not appropriated, any resulting contract will become null and void without penalty to the City.

#### X. Standard of Conduct

The successful firm shall be responsible for maintaining satisfactory standards of employees' competency, conduct, courtesy, appearance, honesty, and integrity, and shall be responsible for taking such disciplinary action with respect to any employee as may be necessary.

The City may request the successful firm to immediately remove from this assignment any employee found unfit to perform duties due to one or more of the following reasons:

- 1. Neglect of duty.
- 2. Disorderly conduct, use of abusive or offensive language, quarreling, intimidation by words or actions or fighting.
- 3. Theft, vandalism, immoral conduct or any other criminal action.
- 4. Selling, consuming, possessing, or being under the influence of intoxicants, including alcohol, or illegal substances while on assignment for the City.

Agents and employees of Contractor or Consultant working in City facilities shall present a clean and neat appearance. Prior to performing any work for the City, the Contractor or Consultant shall require each of their employees to wear ID badges or uniforms identifying: the Contractor or Consultant by name, the first name of their employee and a photograph of their employee if using an ID badge. Their employee shall wear or attach the ID badge to the outer garments at all times.

# Y. Damages for Breach of Contract

In addition to any other legal or equitable remedy the City may be entitled to for a breach of this Contract, if the City terminates this Contract, in whole or in part, due to Contractor's breach of any provision of this Contract, Contractor shall be liable for actual and consequential damages to the City.

#### Z. Other Statutes

- 1. The signatory hereto avers that he/she is familiar with Colorado Revised Statutes, 18-8-301, et seq. (Bribery and Corrupt Influence) and 18-8-401, et seq. (Abuse of Public Office) as amended, and that no violation such provisions is present.
- The signatory hereto avers that to his/her knowledge, no City of Greeley employee has any personal or beneficial interest whatsoever in the service or property described herein. See CRS 24-18-201 and CRS 24-50-507.

#### SECTION IV. PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Following are the response requirements for this RFP. All specific response items represent the minimum information to be submitted. Deletions or incomplete responses in terms of content or aberrations in form may, at the City's discretion, render the proposal non-responsive.

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The RFP number and Project name must be noted in the subject line, otherwise the proposal may be considered as non-responsive to the RFP.

Electronic submittals will be held, un-opened, until the time and date noted in the RFP documents or Posted addenda.

To facilitate the evaluation, offeror shall submit and organize all responses in the same order as listed in Section V. Proposals that are determined to be at a variance with this requirement may not be accepted.

Late proposals will not be accepted. It is the responsibility of the offeror to ensure that the proposal is received at the City of Greeley's Purchasing Division on or before the proposal due date and time.

#### **SECTION V. RESPONSE FORMAT**

The following items are to be included in your proposal, in the order listed. Deviation from this may render your proposal non-responsive.

#### A. Cover Letter

Include a cover letter introducing your company, summarizing your qualifications, and detailing any exceptions to this RFP (please note that significant exceptions may make your proposal non-responsive). This letter should also provide principal contact information for this RFP, including address, telephone number, fax number, e-mail, and website (if applicable).

#### B. Use of Subcontractors/Partners

There may be areas for use of subcontractors or partners in this project. If you are utilizing this approach, your proposal must list the subcontractors/partners, their area(s) of expertise, and include all other applicable information herein requested for each subcontractor/partner. Please keep in mind that the City will contract solely with your company, therefore subcontractors/partners remain your sole responsibility.

# C. Minimum Mandatory Qualifications

Include an itemized description of how your company meets each of the minimum mandatory qualifications outlined in Section II, C. Failure to meet or exceed these requirements will disqualify your response.

## D. Company Information

- 1. Provide the following information as listed: Company Name, Address, Phone Number, and Names of Principals.
- 2. Identify the year in which your company was established and began providing consulting services.
- 3. Describe any pending plans to sell or merge your company.
- 4. Provide a comprehensive listing of all the services you provide.

#### E. Evaluation Criteria

## Evaluation Criterion #1 - e.g., Company and Personnel Qualifications

- 1. Describe your customer service philosophy.
- 2. Provide information from at least three accounts of similar scope. Include, at a minimum, the following information:
  - 1) Company Name, 2) Contact Name, 3) Phone Number, 4) Email Address, 5) Brief description of project scope and vale, 6) Status of project.
  - The City reserves the right to contact the references provided in your proposal as well as other references without prior notification to you.
- List the number of people that you can commit to working on this project and the amount of time each is expected to spend on the project. (List any discipline you would like to see - examples for a design service might be - design of HVAC, mechanical systems, electrical systems, architectural, structural, geotechnical, etc.)
- 4. Provide the names and resumes of the key personnel that will be performing the proposed services, including the primary project manager.
- 5. List the names of the subcontractors you expect to use, the services to be provided by the subcontractors and the amount of time that each is expected to spend on the project. Also, include the names and resumes of the key subcontractor personnel who will be working on the project.
- 6. Provide a specific timeline or schedule for the work. (Spell out mile marks if needed. Example: including development of preliminary design & cost estimates, meetings with City staff, completion of final design, cost estimates and bidding documents.) Show milestones and completion dates on the schedule.
- 7. Describe the methods and timeline of communication your firm will use with the City's project manager, other involved City staff, and other interested parties.

# Evaluation Criterion #2 – e.g., Approach to Scope of Work

1. Describe any project approaches or ideas that you would apply to this project and that you feel would enhance the quality of your services.

2. Describe how the team will handle quality control, specifically how design issues would be monitored and resolved, plans checked and cross-referenced and bid documents ensured to be complete, accurate, and coordinated with subcontractors.

# Evaluation Criterion #3 - e.g., Value/Cost of Efforts

Provide a cost for the consulting services and products broken down per task listed under the **Scope** of **Services**, above. Show a breakdown of all reimbursable expenses required to complete the work.
 If applicable, the subcontractors' costs must be shown as separate items. Also, provide hourly rates for your firm and all subcontractors. These rates will be considered valid throughout the project.

# F. Proposal Acknowledgement

Include this form as provided in Exhibit 1.

#### G. Certificate of Insurance

A sample Certificate of Insurance is provided in Exhibit 3.

#### H. Debarment Form

Include this form as provided in Exhibit 4.

#### **SECTION VI. EVALUATION AND AWARD**

#### A. Proposal Evaluation

All proposals submitted in response to this RFP will be evaluated by a committee in accordance with the criteria described below. Total scores will be tabulated, and the highest ranked firm will enter into negotiations.

If the City requests presentations by short-listed offerors, committee members may revise their initial scores based upon additional information and clarification received in this phase. Please note that presentations have been tentatively scheduled per the Schedule of Events on the first page of this RFP. If your company is invited to give a presentation to the committee, these dates may not be flexible.

In preparing responses, offerors should describe in great detail how they propose to meet the specifications as detailed in the previous sections. Specific factors will be applied to proposal information to assist the City in selecting the most qualified offeror for this contract. Following is the evaluation criteria that will be used. Criteria will be assigned a points value.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**:

| 1. | Company and Personnel Qualifications: | 30 Points |
|----|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| 2. | Approach to Scope of Work:            | 50 Points |
| 3. | Value/Cost of Efforts:                | 20 Points |

A presentation and/or demonstration may be requested by short-listed offerors prior to award. However, a presentation/demonstration may not be required, and therefore, complete information should be submitted with your proposal.

#### B. Determination of Responsibility of the Offeror

The City of Greeley awards contracts to responsible vendors only. The City reserves the right to make its offeror responsibility determination at any time in this RFP process and may not make a responsibility determination for every offeror.

The City of Greeley's Municipal Code defines a "Responsible Offeror" as one who has "the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements, and the tenacity, perseverance, experience, integrity, reliability, capacity, facilities, equipment, and credit which will assure good faith performance." The City reserves the right to request information as it deems necessary to determine an offeror's responsibility. If the offeror fails to supply the requested information, the City shall base the determination of responsibility upon any available information or may find the offeror non-responsible if such failure is unreasonable.

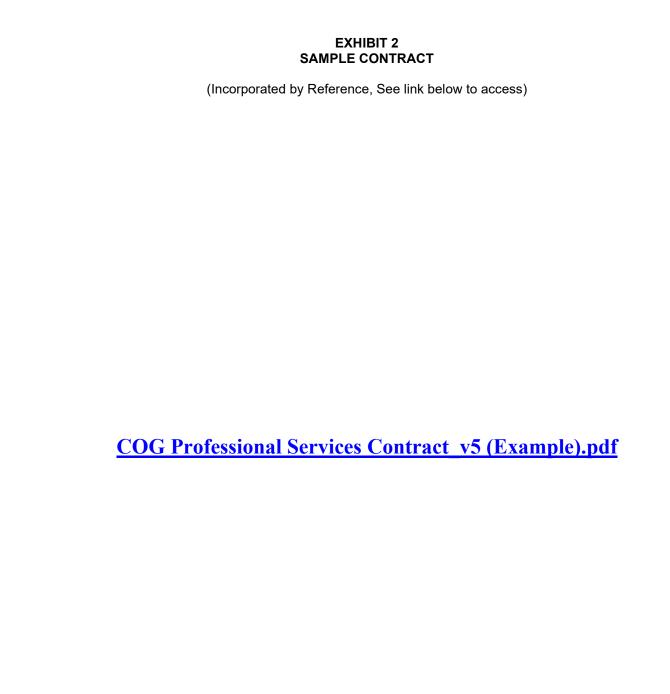
#### **COOPERATIVE PURCHASING STATEMENT**

The City of Greeley encourages and participates in cooperative purchasing endeavors undertaken by or on behalf of other governmental jurisdictions. To the extent, other governmental jurisdictions are legally able to participate in cooperative purchasing endeavors; the City of Greeley supports such cooperative activities. Further, it is a specific requirement of this proposal or Request for Proposal that pricing offered herein to the City of Greeley may be offered by the vendor to any other governmental jurisdiction purchasing the same products. The vendor(s) must deal directly with any governmental agency concerning the placement of purchase orders, contractual disputes, invoicing, and payment. The City of Greeley shall not be liable for any costs or damages incurred by any other entity.

# EXHIBIT 1 PROPOSAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The offeror hereby acknowledges receipt of addenda numbers through . Falsifying this information is cause to deem your proposal nonresponsive and therefore ineligible for consideration. In addition, falsification of this information is cause to cancel a contract awarded based on one or both of the above preferences. By signing below, you agree to all terms & conditions in this RFP. Original Signature by Authorized Officer/Agent Type or printed name of person signing Company Name Title Phone Number Vendor Mailing Address Website Address City, State, Zip Proposal Valid Until (at least for 90 days) E-Mail Address **Project Manager:** Name (Printed) Phone Number Vendor Mailing Address **Email Address** 

City, State, Zip



# EXHIBIT 3 SAMPLE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

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|---|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|----------------|--|
| THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. |                                     |  |   |   |   |                |  |
| IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(les) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).   |                                     |  |   |   |   |                |  |
| PRODUCER  |                                     |  | CONTACT<br>NAME:  |   |   |                |  |
| ABC Insurance Company   |                                     |  | PHONE<br>(A/C, No. Ext):                                |   | (A/C, No  | ole:           |  |
| P. O. Box 1234  |                                     |  | E-MAIL<br>AD DRESS:                                     |   | ,,,,,,  |                |  |
| Anywhere, USA   |                                     |  | PRODUCER<br>CUSTOMER ID #:                              |   |   |                |  |
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| INSURED   |                                     |  | INSURER A: Financial Rating of A                        |   |   |                |  |
| Sample Certificate  |                                     |  |   |   |   |                |  |
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| GENERAL LIABILITY   |                                     |  |   |   | EACH OCCURRENCE                                   | \$1,00         | 0,000  |
| X COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY  |                                     |  |   |   | PREMISES (Ea occurrence)                          | <b>\$100</b> , | 000  |
| CLAMS-MADE X OCCUR  |                                     |  |   |   | MED EXP (Any one person)                          | \$5,00         | 0  |
|   |                                     |  |   |   | PERSONAL & ADVINJURY                              | \$1,00         | 0,000  |
|   |                                     |  |   |   | GENERAL AGGREGATE                                 | \$2,00         | 0,000  |
| GENL AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER:   |                                     |  |   |   | PRODUCTS - COMPYOP AGO                            | \$2,00         | 0,000  |
| POLICY PRO-   |                                     |  |   |   |   | \$             |  |
| AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY  |                                     |  |   |   | COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT                             | 8              |  |
| X ANY AUTO  |                                     |  |   |   | (Ea accident)                                     |                | 0,000  |
| ALL OWNED AUTOS   |                                     |  |   |   | BOOILY INJURY (Perperson                          | _              |  |
| SCHEDULED AUTOS   |                                     |  |   |   | PROPERTY DAMAGE                                   | ±) \$          |  |
| X HIRED AUTOS   |                                     |  |   |   | (Peraccident)                                     | \$             |  |
| X NON-OWNED AUTOS   |                                     |  |   |   |   | \$             |  |
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| UMBRELLA LIAB OCCUR   |                                     |  |   |   | EACH OCCURRENCE                                   | \$             |  |
| EXCESS LIAB CLAMS-MADE  |                                     |  |   |   | AGGREGATE   | \$             |  |
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| WORKERS COMPENSATION  |                                     |  |   | 1   | X WC STATU-                                       | H-             |  |
| AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY  ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE  Y / N   |                                     |  |   | 1   | E.L. EACH ACCIDENT                                | s100.          | 000  |
| OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED?<br>(Mandatory in NH)   | N/A                                 |  |   | 1   | E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOY                          |                |  |
| If yes, describe under<br>DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below   |                                     |  |   |   | E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMI                        |                |  |
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| DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHIC   |                                     |  |   |   |   |                |  |
| City of Greeley is named as Addition<br>Work Compensation. This insurance   |                                     | •  |   | _   |   |                |  |
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| CERTIFICATE HOLDER  |                                     |  | CANCELLATION  | 1   |   |                |  |
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| City of Greeley   |                                     |  |   |   | ESCRIBED POLICIES BE (<br>)F. NOTICE WILL BE DELI |                |  |
| 1000 10th St  |                                     | THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN<br>ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. |   |   |   |                |  |
| Greeley, CO 80631-3808  |                                     |  |   |   |   |                |  |
|   |                                     |  | AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE                               |   |   |                |  |
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# EXHIBIT 4 DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

The proposer certifies that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal, State, County, Municipal or any other department or agency thereof. The proposer certifies that it will provide immediate written notice to the City if at any time the proposer learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstance.

| DUNS # (Optional)    |  |
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| lame of Organization |  |
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| authorized Signature |  |
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