



City of Kirkland

Request for Qualifications

108th Avenue NE Transit Queue Jumps Phase 1 & 2

Job # 25-23-PW

Issue Date: July 26, 2023

Due Date: August 16, 2023– 4:00 PM (PDT)

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

Notice is hereby given that qualifications will be received by the City of Kirkland, WA, for:

108th Avenue NE Transit Queue Jumps Phase 1 & 2 Job # 25-23-PW

File with Purchasing Agent, Finance Department, 123 - 5th Ave, Kirkland WA, 98033

Qualifications received later than **4:00 p.m. August 16, 2023 will not** be considered.

A copy of this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) may be obtained from City's web site at <http://www.kirklandwa.gov/>. Click on the Business tab at the top of the page and then click on "Doing Business with the City". All active projects can be found under the opportunities tab.

The City of Kirkland reserves the right to reject any and all submissions, and to waive irregularities and informalities in the submittal and evaluation process. This RFQ does not obligate the City to pay any costs incurred by respondents in the preparation and submission of qualifications. Furthermore, the RFQ does not obligate the City to accept or contract for any expressed or implied services.

A firm response that indicates that any of the requested information in this RFQ will only be provided if and when the firm is selected as the apparently successful firm is not acceptable, and, at the City's sole discretion, may disqualify the submission from consideration.

The City of Kirkland in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Park 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

In addition to nondiscrimination compliance requirements, the Firm ultimately awarded a contract shall comply with federal, state and local laws, statutes and ordinances relative to the execution of the work. This requirement includes, but is not limited to, protection of public and employee safety and health; environmental protection; waste reduction and recycling; the protection of natural resources; permits; fees; taxes; and similar subjects.

Dated this 26th Day of July, 2023

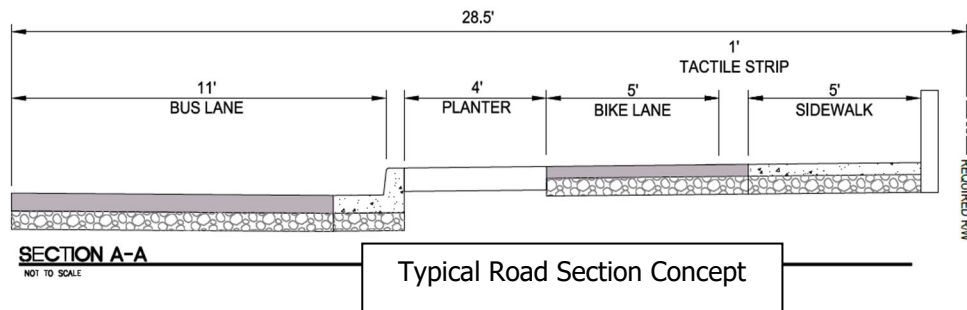
Jay Gewin
Purchasing Agent
425-587-3123

Advertised in The Seattle Times on July 26th and August 2nd, 2023

Project Background:

The selected consultant firm will complete the design for the 108th Avenue NE Transit Queue Jumps Phase 1 & 2 project. The 108th Avenue NE/6th Street corridor is a critical north-south arterial that connects downtown Kirkland to the South Kirkland Park-and-Ride and Bellevue through the Central Houghton neighborhood. The arterial roadway carries approximately 9,000 vehicles per day and is a key element of Metro’s RapidRide K Line route.

At address long queues and congestion during peak travel times, this project will create a northbound transit queue jump at the existing traffic signal at NE 68th St & 108th Ave NE, and a second northbound transit queue jump at NE 60th St & 108th Ave NE. Additionally, the project will modify the existing traffic signal at NE 68th St & 108th Ave NE to accommodate the new transit lane and update the signal timing and add transit signal priority technology, and create a new traffic signal system at NE 60th St & 108th Ave NE complete with transit signal priority technology. Nonmotorized improvements include replacing the existing bicycle lane and sidewalk on the east side of 108th Ave NE between NE 53rd St and 60th St and between 62nd St and 68th St with new sidewalk level bicycle lanes and pedestrian facilities (see typical roadway section concept, below), and crosswalk improvements just north of NE 55th St. Adjustments to underground utility lids and catch basins as needed within the project area, and new LID storm water system improvements are expected to meet permitting requirements. Overhead power and communication line relocation is expected to accomplish project scope. This design concept has been presented to King County Metro and to Kirkland City Council.



The project is funded by a combination of local funds, state grant and federal funding for a total of \$3,500,000.00. Inclusion of federal funding will require the successful firm to adhere to design and documentation requirements consistent with the funding source, including Federal EEO requirements. Prospective consultants shall have all administrative documents, including audited overhead rates, current and on file with WSDOT Audit Office. The City will lead project administration through WSDOT coordination.

DBE Goal

The DBE goal for this project, determined by WSDOT Local Programs, is twenty-one (21) percent. The City encourages DBE firms to submit qualifications and encourages all firms to team with DBE firms in their pursuit of this project.

Anticipated Scope of Work:

In general, the selected consultant is expected to develop Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) for the above referenced project. The scope of work may include the following:

1. Investigate the project area and gather information and records necessary for engineering design. This may require multiple meetings and site visits with City staff. Perform topographic survey and identify all existing utilities to prepare a project base map. Prepare a geotechnical report. Research property easements and boundaries.
2. Prepare a preliminary design letter to describe the design elements, identify potential challenges of the current design concept, and describe deliverables and schedule.
3. Prepare 30 Percent Plans and Estimate of the selected design option for the City to review. The design shall adhere to City of Kirkland, State and Federal standards.
4. Permitting support: Present the City with potential permitting challenges and permitting strategies. Identify and prepare all necessary federal (i.e. NEPA completion), state and local permits needed for the design option. (Excluding construction-related permits).

Future Scopes of Work

Upon completion of consultant services for design and PS&E preparation, the contract may be supplemented for construction engineering services, at the discretion of the City.

1. Prepare 60 / 90 Percent Plans, Specifications, and Estimate of the selected design option for the City to review. The design shall adhere to City of Kirkland, State and Federal standards. The City adopts the most current version of the WSDOT Standard Specifications and Amendments modified by the City's Special Provisions. Prepare a final submittal packet for construction –the Contract Documents, to include the Final Approved Plans, Specifications, Proposal, Contract, WSDOT Amendments, Special Provisions, and required appendices, conforming to the City's standard format.
2. Permitting completion: Finalize all necessary federal (i.e. NEPA completion), state and local permits needed for the design option and assist the City through permit issuance. (Excluding construction-related permits).
3. Identify community outreach needs and assist the City in outreach efforts with business and property owners, presentations and preparation of visual aids.
4. Bid support: Assist the City through the bidding process, including answering questions and creating and issuing addenda.

5. Engineering support during construction: assist the City in responding to RFIs, reviewing RAMs, issuing design changes as necessary, and providing independent cost estimates.

The format of your Statement of Qualifications will be at your discretion but shall be **limited to twenty (20) pages single-sided, not including a cover sheet.** However, at a minimum, it should include the following:

1. A statement of your understanding of the various aspects of the Project.
2. A discussion of your firm's approach to this Project.
3. Your identification of critical project elements and a summary of your strategy for successfully integrating and achieving each of those elements for this Project.
4. A summary work coordination plan and schedule(s) describing how the goals, tasks, and other elements of the Project can be expected to be completed during the Project duration.
5. Key personnel, both internal and subcontracted, to be assigned to this Project; this should include their role(s), unique skills, experiences, and qualifications for this Project.
6. A statement outlining your firm's plan to the DBE goal.
7. A statement describing your experience and examples of successfully completed federally-funded Projects.
8. Examples of similar projects successfully completed through final PS&E by your firm, with an emphasis on recent and related projects. Please also include the names and phone numbers of client references that would be most knowledgeable of your firm's performance on these similar projects. Please verify both name and contact phone number in advance before including this information in the SOQ.

Qualifications will be evaluated and scored by a selection panel consisting of Kirkland Public Works personnel. Consultant selection will be based on the following criteria and weighting:

Contract Requirements and Fees

If your qualifications are accepted, the following fees and requirements will be due upon award, prior to issuance of a contract:

1. Compliance with Law/City of Kirkland Business License

- Consultant must obtain and provide a copy of a City of Kirkland Business License and otherwise comply with Kirkland Municipal Code Chapter 7.02.
- The Consultant shall comply with all applicable State, Federal and City laws, ordinances, regulations, and codes.

2. Insurance

- Consultant's insurance should be consistent with the requirements found in the sample agreement shown as Attachment A.

<u>Evaluation Criteria</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Qualifications/Expertise of key personnel	0-25
2. Ability to meet schedule	0-10
3. Approach to project	0-25
4. Familiarity with WSDOT/FHWA standards	0-15
5. Past Performance/References	0-15
6. Approach to meet DBE goal	0-10
Maximum Points	100

General Format of Interviews

Interviews will be conducted with finalists that are selected by City staff from those who submit SOQs. The City of Kirkland interview team will consist of three to five staff members directly related to the Project’s scope of work.

Each interview shall not exceed thirty minutes and will generally follow this format:

- Consultant presentation, format optional (approximately 5 minutes)
- Predetermined interview questions from City Staff (approximately 15 minutes)
- Open question and answer session (approximately 10 minutes)

Predetermined interview questions from City will be provided to each firm selected for interview within one calendar week of being notified of their selection, along with the scoring criteria and weighting to be used by the panel of City staff interviewers. Questions asked during the open question and answer session will not be provided to the interviewed firm in advance. Interviews may be held in person or virtually.

Contract Requirements

If, after negotiation and consideration, the City is unable to reach an acceptable agreement with the top-ranked firm, they will terminate negotiations with the top ranked firm and, at their sole discretion, may: enter into negotiations with the second-ranked firm; withhold the award for any reason; elect not to proceed with any of the proponents; or re-solicit new submissions.

Schedule:

The project schedule is as follows:

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| • July 26, 2023 | Request for Qualifications – First Advertisement |
| • August 7, 2023 | Deadline for Questions – 5:00 PM |
| • August 10, 2023 | Responses to Questions posted |
| • August 16, 2023 | Statement of Qualifications Due – 4:00 PM |
| • August 22, 2023 | Notifications of Selections for Interview by City |
| • September 5-8, 2023 | Conduct Interviews |
| • September 15, 2023 | Consultant Selection Completion |
| • October 30, 2023 | Notice to Proceed for Design Consultant |
| • April 2024 | Estimated end date for 30% Design Consultant |

Questions

Upon release of this RFQ, all Vendor communications concerning the RFQ should be directed to the City's RFQ Coordinator listed below. Unauthorized contact regarding this RFQ with any other City employees may result in disqualification. Any oral communications will be considered unofficial and non-binding on the City. Firms should rely only on written statements issued by the RFQ Coordinator. The City's RFQ Coordinator for this project is:

Name: Laura Drake, P.E.
Address: City of Kirkland, Public Works
123 5th Avenue, Kirkland, Washington 98033
E-mail: LDrake@kirklandwa.gov

All questions must be received before 5:00 PM on August 7, 2023

Qualification Submittal Instructions

Please note: The following general requirements are mandatory for all qualifications. Qualifications submitted after the deadline date and time or lacking one or more of the following requirements will not be accepted.

1. Qualifications must be received by no later than 4:00 PM PST on August 16, 2022.
2. All qualifications sent electronically must be in the form of a PDF or MS Word document and cannot exceed 20MB. **This is the required submission format.**
3. Emailed qualifications should include, "108th Avenue NE Transit Queue Jumps – Job # 25-23-PW" in the subject line and be addressed to purchasing@kirklandwa.gov.
4. All qualifications must include the legal name of the organization, firm, individual or partnership submitting the RFQ. Include the address of the principal place of business, mailing address, phone numbers, emails, and primary contact person.
5. To be evaluated, qualifications must address all requirements and instructions contained within.
6. Provide all references and materials required by the RFQ instructions within.
7. Maximum page count for qualifications is 20 pages single-sided, excluding front and back covers or section break pages.

Selection Process

A selection committee will review qualifications, select finalists and conduct interviews prior to making the final selection of the consultant.

Prior to the commencement of work, the City and the selected consultant will meet to settle contract details. A notice to the consultant of the City's award will constitute notice to proceed. The City is not responsible for any costs incurred by the consultant in the preparation of the response. Once submitted to the City, all qualifications will become public information.

Contract

The Consultant and the City will execute a Professional Services Agreement for 108th Avenue NE Transit Queue Jumps Phase 1 & 2 including all of the requirements found in the sample agreement in Attachment A.

Terms and Conditions

- A. The City reserves the right to reject any and all qualifications, and to waive minor irregularities in any qualification.
- B. Proposers responding to this RFQ must follow the procedures and requirements stated in the RFQ document. Adherence to the procedures and requirements of this RFQ will ensure a fair and objective analysis of your qualifications. Failure to comply with or complete any part of this RFQ may result in rejection of your qualifications.
- C. The City reserves the right to request clarification of information submitted, and to request additional information on any submission.
- D. The City reserves the right to award any contract to the next most qualified company, if the successful company does not execute a contract within 30 days of being notified of selection.
- E. Any qualification may be withdrawn up until the date and time set above for opening of the qualifications. Any qualification not so timely withdrawn shall constitute an irrevocable offer, for a period of one hundred and twenty (120) days to sell to the City the services described in the attached specifications, or until one or more of the qualifications have been approved by the City administration, whichever occurs first.
- F. The contract resulting from acceptance of a qualification by the City shall be in a form supplied or approved by the City and shall reflect the specifications in this RFQ. A copy of the City's standard Professional Services Agreement is available for review (see attachment A). The City reserves the right to reject any proposed agreement or contract that does not conform to the specifications contained in this RFQ and which is not approved by the City Attorney's office.
- G. The City shall not be responsible for any costs incurred by the company in preparing, submitting or presenting its response to the RFQ.
- H. Any material submitted by a proposer shall become the property of the City. Materials submitted after a contract is signed will be subject to the ownership provision of the executed contract.
- I. The City reserves the right not to award any portion or all of the project if it finds that none of the qualifications submitted meets the specific needs of the project. The City reserves the right to modify the scope of work and award portions of this RFQ to the selected vendor. The City reserves the right to

award this work to multiple vendors if the scope of work would be best completed by multiple vendors and their associated experience.

Cooperative Purchasing

Chapter 39.34 RCW allows cooperative purchasing between public agencies in the State of Washington. Public agencies which have filed an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the City may purchase from City contracts, provided that the consultant agrees to participate. The City does not accept any responsibility for contracts issued by other public agencies, however.

Public Disclosure

Once submitted to the City, qualifications shall become the property of the City, and all qualifications shall be deemed a public record as defined in "The Public Records Act," chapter 42 section 56 of the RCW. Any qualification containing language which copyrights the submission, declares the entire submission to be confidential, declares that the document is the exclusive property of the proposer, or is any way contrary to state public disclosure laws or this RFQ, could be removed from consideration. The City will not accept the liability of determining what the proposer considers proprietary or not. Therefore, any information in the qualification that the proposer claims as proprietary and exempt from disclosure under the provisions of RCW 42.56.270 must be clearly designated as described in the "Proprietary Material Submitted" section above. It must also include the exemption(s) from disclosure upon which the proposer is making the claim, and the page it is found on must be identified. With the exception of lists of prospective proposers, the City will not disclose RFQ qualifications until a bid selection is made. At that time, all information about the competitive procurement will be available with the exception of: proprietary/confidential portion(s) of the qualification(s), until the proposer has an adequate opportunity to seek a court order preventing disclosure. The City will consider a proposer's request for exemption from disclosure; however, the City will make a decision predicated upon RCW 42.56.

Debarment

The Bidder shall not currently be debarred or suspended by the Federal government. The Bidder shall not be listed as having an "active exclusion" on the U.S. government's "System for Award Management" database (www.sam.gov).



**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
108th Avenue NE Transit Queue Jumps Phase 1 & 2**

**Attachment A
PSA 6/30/2020**

The City of Kirkland, Washington, a municipal corporation ("City") and _____, whose address is _____ ("Consultant"), agree and contract as follows.

In consideration of the mutual benefits and conditions set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

I. SERVICES BY CONSULTANT

- A. The Consultant agrees to perform the services described in Attachment ___ to this Agreement, which attachment is incorporated herein by reference.
- B. All services and duties shall be conducted and performed diligently, completely and in accordance with professional standards of conduct and performance.

II. COMPENSATION

- A. The total compensation to be paid to Consultant for these services shall not exceed \$ _____, as detailed in Attachment ____.
- B. Payment to Consultant by the City in accordance with the payment ceiling specified above shall be the total compensation for all services performed under this Agreement and supporting documents hereto as well as all subcontractors' fees and expenses, supervision, labor, supplies, materials, equipment or the use thereof, reimbursable expenses, and other necessary incidentals.
- C. The Consultant shall be paid on the basis of invoices submitted. Invoicing will be on the basis of percentage complete or on the basis of time, whichever is applicable in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- D. The City shall have the right to withhold payment to Consultant for any services not completed in a satisfactory manner until such time as Consultant modifies such services to the satisfaction of the City.
- E. Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, any payment shall be considered timely if a warrant is mailed or is available within 45 days of the date of actual receipt by the City of an invoice conforming in all respects to the terms of this Agreement.

III. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

The City or the Consultant may terminate or suspend this Agreement at any time, with or without cause, by giving ten (10) days' notice to the other in writing. In the event of termination, all finished or unfinished reports, or other

material prepared by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement, shall be provided to the City. In the event the City terminates prior to completion without cause, consultant may complete such analyses and records as may be necessary to place its files in order. Consultant shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory services completed on the project prior to the date of termination, not to exceed the payment ceiling set forth above.

IV. OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT

- A. Ownership of the originals of any reports, data, studies, surveys, charts, maps, drawings, specifications, figures, photographs, memoranda, and any other documents which are developed, compiled or produced as a result of this Agreement, whether or not completed, shall be vested in the City. Any reuse of these materials by the City for projects or purposes other than those which fall within the scope of this Agreement or the project to which it relates, without written concurrence by the Consultant will be at the sole risk of the City.
- B. The City acknowledges the Consultant's plans and specifications as instruments of professional service. Nevertheless, the plans and specifications prepared under this Agreement shall become the property of the City upon completion of the services. The City agrees to hold harmless and indemnify consultant against all claims made against Consultant for damage or injury, including defense costs, arising out of any reuse of such plans and specifications by any third party without the written authorization of the Consultant.
- C. Methodology, materials, software, logic, and systems developed under this Agreement are the property of the Consultant and the City, and may be used as either the consultant or the City sees fit, including the right to revise or publish the same without limitation.
- D. The Consultant at such times and in such forms as the City may require, shall furnish to the City such statements, records, reports, data, and information as the City may request pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. All of the reports, information, data, and other related materials, prepared or assembled by the Consultant under this Agreement and any information relating to personal, medical, and financial data will be treated as confidential only as allowed by Washington State laws regarding disclosure of public information, Chapter 42.56 RCW

The Consultant shall at any time during normal business hours and as often as the City may deem necessary, make available for examination all of its records and data with respect to all matters covered, directly or indirectly, by this Agreement and shall permit the City or its designated authorized representative to audit and inspect other data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. The City shall receive a copy of all audit reports made by the agency or firm as to the Consultant's activities. The City may, at its discretion, conduct an audit, at its expense, using its own or outside auditors, of the Consultant's activities which relate, directly or indirectly, to the Agreement.

Consultant will provide all original operation and maintenance manuals, along with all warranties, from the manufacturer for any equipment or items installed or supplied to the City as part of this contracted project.

The Consultant shall maintain accounts and records, including personnel, property, financial, and programmatic records, which sufficiently and properly reflect all direct and indirect costs of any nature expended and services performed pursuant to this Agreement. The Consultant shall also maintain such other records as may be deemed necessary by the City to ensure proper accounting of all funds contributed by the City to the performance of this Agreement.

The foregoing records shall be maintained for a period of seven years after termination of this Agreement unless permission to destroy them is granted by the Office of the Archivist in accordance with RCW Chapter 40.14 and by the City.

V. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

The Public Works Dept. for the City of Kirkland shall review and approve the Consultant's invoices to the City under this Agreement, shall have primary responsibility for overseeing and approving services to be performed by the Consultant, and shall coordinate all communications with the Consultant from the City.

VI. COMPLETION DATE

The estimated completion date for the Consultant's performance of the services specified in Section I is _____.

Consultant will diligently proceed with the services contracted for, but consultant shall not be held responsible for delays occasioned by factors beyond its control which could not reasonably have been foreseen at the time of the execution of this Agreement. If such a delay arises, Consultant shall forthwith notify the City.

VII. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS

The Consultant shall not assign, transfer, convey, pledge, or otherwise dispose of this Agreement or any part of this Agreement without prior written consent of the City.

VIII. NONDISCRIMINATION

Consultant shall, in employment made possible or resulting from this Agreement, ensure that there shall be no unlawful discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment in violation of RCW 49.60.180, as currently written or hereafter amended, or other applicable law prohibiting discrimination, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification as provided in RCW 49.60.180 or as otherwise permitted by other applicable law. Further, no person shall be denied or subjected to discrimination in receipt of the benefit of any services or activities made possible by or resulting

from this Agreement in violation of RCW 49.60.215 or other applicable law prohibiting discrimination.

IX. HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNIFICATION

To the greatest extent allowed by law the Contractor shall defend, indemnify and hold the City, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers harmless from any and all claims, injuries, damages, losses or suits including attorney fees, arising out of or in connection with performance of this Agreement, except for injuries and damages caused by the sole negligence of the City.

Should a court of competent jurisdiction determine that this Agreement is subject to RCW 4.24.115, then, in the event of liability for damages arising out of bodily injury to persons or damages to property caused by or resulting from the concurrent negligence of the Contractor and the City, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers, the Contractor's liability hereunder shall be only to the extent of the Contractor's negligence. It is further specifically and expressly understood that the indemnification provided herein constitutes the Contractor's waiver of immunity under Industrial Insurance, Title 51 RCW, solely for the purpose of this indemnification. This waiver has been mutually negotiated by the parties. The provisions of this section shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

X. LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE

The Consultant shall procure and maintain for the duration of the Agreement, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Consultant, its agents, representatives, or employees. A failure to obtain and maintain such insurance or to file required certificates and endorsements shall be a material breach of this Agreement.

Consultant's maintenance of insurance as required by the agreement shall not be construed to limit the liability of the Consultant to the coverage provided by such insurance, or otherwise limit the City's recourse to any remedy available at law or in equity.

A. Minimum Scope of Insurance

Consultant shall obtain insurance of the types described below:

1. Automobile Liability insurance covering all owned, non-owned, hired and leased vehicles. Coverage shall be as least as broad as Insurance Services Office (ISO) form CA 00 01 or a substitute form providing equivalent liability coverage. If necessary, the policy shall be endorsed to provide contractual liability coverage.
2. Commercial General Liability insurance shall be as least as broad as ISO occurrence form CG 00 01 and shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, stop-gap independent contractors and personal injury and advertising injury. The City shall be named as an additional insured under the Consultant's Commercial General Liability insurance policy with respect to the work performed for the

City using an additional insured endorsement at least as broad as ISO CG 20 26.

3. Workers' Compensation coverage as required by the Industrial Insurance laws of the State of Washington.
4. Professional Liability insurance appropriate to the Consultant's profession.

B. Minimum Amounts of Insurance

Consultant shall maintain the following insurance limits:

1. Automobile Liability insurance with a minimum combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of \$1,000,000 per accident.
2. Commercial General Liability insurance shall be written with limits no less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence, \$2,000,000 general aggregate.
3. Professional Liability insurance shall be written with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per claim and \$1,000,000 policy aggregate limit.

C. Other Insurance Provisions

The insurance policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions for Automobile Liability and Commercial General Liability insurance:

1. The Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the City. Any insurance, self-insurance, or self-insured pool coverage maintained by the City shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
2. The Consultant shall provide the City and all Additional Insureds for these services with written notice of any policy cancellation, within two business days of their receipt of such notice.

D. Acceptability of Insurers

Insurance is to be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII.

E. Verification of Coverage

Consultant shall furnish the City with original certificates and a copy of the amendatory endorsements, including but not necessarily limited to the additional insured endorsement, evidencing the insurance requirements of the Consultant before commencement of the services.

F. Failure to Maintain Insurance

Failure on the part of the Consultant to maintain the insurance as required shall constitute a material breach of agreement, upon which the City may, after giving five business days' notice to the Consultant to correct the breach, immediately terminate the agreement or, at its discretion, procure or renew such insurance and pay any and all premiums in connection therewith, with any sums so expended to be repaid to the City on demand, or at the sole discretion of the City, offset against funds due the Consultant from the City.

G. City Full Availability of Consultant Limits

If the Consultant maintains higher insurance limits than the minimums shown above, the City shall be insured for the full available limits of Commercial General and Excess or Umbrella liability maintained by the Consultant, irrespective of whether such limits maintained by the Consultant are greater than those required by this agreement or whether any certificate of insurance furnished to the City evidences limits of liability lower than those maintained by the Consultant.

XI. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS/BUSINESS LICENSE

The Consultant shall comply with all applicable State, Federal, and City laws, ordinances, regulations, and codes. Consultant must obtain a City of Kirkland business license or otherwise comply with Kirkland Municipal Code Chapter 7.02.

XII. FUTURE SUPPORT

The City makes no commitment and assumes no obligations for the support of Consultant activities except as set forth in this Agreement.

XIII. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Consultant is and shall be at all times during the term of this Agreement an independent contractor and not an employee of the City. Consultant agrees that he or she is solely responsible for the payment of taxes applicable to the services performed under this Agreement and agrees to comply with all federal, state, and local laws regarding the reporting of taxes, maintenance of insurance and records, and all other requirements and obligations imposed on him or her as a result of his or her status as an independent contractor. Consultant is responsible for providing the office space and clerical support necessary for the performance of services under this Agreement. The City shall not be responsible for withholding or otherwise deducting federal income tax or social security or for contributing to the state industrial insurance of unemployment compensation programs or otherwise assuming the duties of an employer with respect to the Consultant or any employee of Consultant.

XIV. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT/MODIFICATION

This Agreement, together with all attachments and addenda, represents the final and completely integrated Agreement between the parties regarding its subject matter and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or

agreements, either written or oral. This Agreement may be amended only by written instrument properly signed by both parties.

XV. ADDITIONAL WORK

The City may desire to have the Consultant perform work or render services in connection with the project other than provided for by the express intent of this Agreement. Any such work or services shall be considered as additional work, supplemental to this Agreement. This Agreement may be amended only by written instrument properly signed by both parties.

XVI. NON-ENDORSEMENT

As a result of the selection of a consultant to supply services to the City, the consultant agrees to make no reference to the City in any literature, promotional material, brochures, sales presentation or the like without the express written consent of the City.

XVII. NON-COLLUSION

By signature below, the Consultant acknowledges that the person, firm, association, co-partnership or corporation herein named, has not either directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in the preparation or submission of a proposal to the City for consideration in the award of a contract on the specifications contained in this Agreement.

XVIII. WAIVER

Waiver by the City of any breach of any term or condition of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any other breach.

XIX. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACT

The Consultant shall not assign or subcontract any portion of the services contemplated by this Agreement without the prior written consent of the City.

XX. DEBARMENT

Recipient certifies that it is not suspended, debarred, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or otherwise excluded from contracting with the federal government, or from receiving contracts paid for with federal funds.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the dates written below:

CONSULTANT:

CITY OF KIRKLAND:

By: _____

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Beth Goldberg, Deputy City Manager

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____