## Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 2022-320-WG Vision Insurance Benefit Plan

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#### SECTION 0100 INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

1. GENERAL. This Request for Proposals (RFP) is issued by the City of Miami Beach, Florida (the "City"), as the means for prospective Proposers to submit their qualifications, proposed scopes of work and revenue proposals (the "proposal") to the City for the City's consideration as an option in achieving the required scope of services and requirements as noted herein. All documents released in connection with this solicitation, including all appendixes and addenda, whether included herein or released under separate cover, comprise the solicitation, and are complementary to one another and together establish the complete terms, conditions and obligations of the Proposers and, subsequently, the successful Proposer(s) (the "contractor[s]") if this RFP results in an award.

The City utilizes Periscope S2G (formally known as BidSync) (<a href="www.periscopeholdings.com">www.bidsync.com</a>) for automatic notification of competitive solicitation opportunities and document fulfillment, including the issuance of any addendum to this RFP. Any prospective Proposer who has received this RFP by any means other than through Periscope S2G must register immediately with Periscope S2G to assure it receives any addendum issued to this RFP. Failure to receive an addendum may result in disqualification of proposal submitted.

2. PURPOSE. The City offers as a part of its health benefits program Vision insurance through EyeMed for its benefit eligible employees, retirees, and their dependents. The City of Miami Beach is requesting proposals for a group vision insurance plan administrator. The plan is currently self-funded, and the monthly premium equivalent rate is paid entirely by the employee. The City currently has ~1548 subscribers enrolled in vision insurance. An employee census file, current benefit summary, and claims reports are included with this packet (refer to Exhibit A).

Proposed plans shall offer a vision network of credentialed Ophthalmologists, Optometrists, Opticians, and retail optical centers for benefit eligible employees, retirees and their dependents that are geographically accessible to participants. Plan services shall at a minimum provide the following:

- A vision network of credentialed Ophthalmologists, Optometrists, Opticians, and retail optical centers that are geographically accessible to participants;
- Annual vision exams;
- eyeglass exams, contact lens exams, frames and lenses;
- eye surgery or treatment for eye diseases.
- **2.1. Background.** On July 15, 2009, the Mayor and City Commission approved Resolution 2009-27138 which authorized an agreement with EyeMed Vision Care for the City's group vision plan (employees and retirees), pursuant to a request for proposals issued by the City's consultant at that time Gallagher Benefits Services.

3. ANTICIPATED RFP TIMETABLE. The tentative schedule for this solicitation is as follows:

RFP Issued	April 6, 2022
Pre-Proposal Meeting	April 20, 2022 at 10:00 am ET
	Join on your computer or mobile app Click here to join the meeting Or call in (audio only) +1 786-636-1480 United States, Miami
	Phone Conference ID: 916 525 649#
Deadline for Receipt of Questions	April 25, 2022 at 5:00 pm ET
Responses Due	May 4, 2022 at 3:00 pm ET
	Join on your computer or mobile app  Click here to join the meeting  Or call in (audio only)

	+1 786-636-1480 United States, Miami Phone Conference ID: 316 934 347#
Evaluation Committee Review	TBD
Tentative Commission Approval	TBD
Contract Negotiations	Following Commission Approval

**4. PROCUREMENT CONTACT.** Any questions or clarifications concerning this solicitation shall be submitted to the Procurement Contact noted below:

Procurement Contact: Telephone: Email:

William Garviso, CPPB, CPP 305 673-7490 William Garviso@miamibeachfl.gov

Additionally, the City Clerk is to be copied on all communications via e-mail at: RafaelGranado@miamibeachfl.gov; or via facsimile: 786-394-4188.

The Bid title/number shall be referenced on all correspondence. All questions or requests for clarification must be received no later than ten (10) calendar days prior to the date proposals are due as scheduled in Section 0200-3. All responses to questions/clarifications will be sent to all prospective Proposers in the form of an addendum.

<u>5. PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING OR SITE VISIT(S).</u> A pre-proposal meeting or site visit(s) may be scheduled. Attendance for the pre-proposal meeting shall be via web conference and recommended as a source of information but is not mandatory. Proposers interested in participating in the Pre-Proposal Meeting must follow these steps:

Join on your computer or mobile app

Click here to join the meeting

Or call in (audio only)

+1 786-636-1480 United States, Miami

Phone Conference ID: 916 525 649#

Proposers who are participating should send an e-mail to the contact person listed in this RFP expressing their intent to participate.

- **6. PRE-PROPOSAL INTERPRETATIONS.** Oral information or responses to questions received by prospective Proposers are not binding on the City and will be without legal effect, including any information received at presubmittal meeting or site visit(s). The City by means of Addenda will issue interpretations or written addenda clarifications considered necessary by the City in response to questions. Only questions answered by written addenda will be binding and may supersede terms noted in this solicitation. Addendum will be released through *Periscope S2G*. Any prospective proposer who has received this RFP by any means other than through *Periscope S2G* must register immediately with *Periscope S2G* to assure it receives any addendum issued to this RFP. Failure to receive an addendum may result in disqualification of proposal. Written questions should be received no later than the date outlined in the **Anticipated RFP Timetable** section.
- <u>7. CONE OF SILENCE.</u> This RFP is subject to, and all proposers are expected to be or become familiar with, the City's Cone of Silence Requirements, as codified in Section 2-486 of the City Code. Proposers shall be solely responsible for ensuring that all applicable provisions of the City's Cone of Silence are complied with, and shall be subject to any and all sanctions, as prescribed therein, including rendering their response voidable, in the event of such non-compliance. Communications regarding this solicitation are to be submitted in writing to the Procurement Contact named herein with a copy to the City Clerk at rafaelgranado@miamibeachfl.gov
- **8. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR CLARIFICATION.** After proposal submittal, the City reserves the right to require additional information from Proposers (or Proposer team members or sub-consultants) to determine: qualifications (including, but not limited to, litigation history, regulatory action, or additional references); and financial

capability (including, but not limited to, annual reviewed/audited financial statements with the auditors notes for each of their last two complete fiscal years).

- 9. PROPOSER'S RESPONSIBILITY. Before submitting a response, each Proposer shall be solely responsible for making any and all investigations, evaluations, and examinations, as it deems necessary, to ascertain all conditions and requirements affecting the full performance of the contract. Ignorance of such conditions and requirements, and/or failure to make such evaluations, investigations, and examinations, will not relieve the Proposer from any obligation to comply with every detail and with all provisions and requirements of the contract, and will not be accepted as a basis for any subsequent claim whatsoever for any monetary consideration on the part of the Proposer.
- 10. DETERMINATION OF AWARD. The City Manager may appoint an evaluation committee to assist in the evaluation of proposals received. The evaluation committee is advisory only to the city manager. The city manager may consider the information provided by the evaluation committee process and/or may utilize other information deemed relevant. The City Manager's recommendation need not be consistent with the information provided by the evaluation committee process and takes into consideration Miami Beach City Code Section 2-369, including the following considerations:
  - (1) The ability, capacity and skill of the Proposer to perform the contract.
  - (2) Whether the Proposer can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay or interference.
  - (3) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the Proposer.
  - (4) The quality of performance of previous contracts.
  - (5) The previous and existing compliance by the Proposer with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.

The City Manager may recommend to the City Commission the Proposer(s) s/he deems to be in the best interest of the City or may recommend rejection of all proposals. The City Commission shall consider the City Manager's recommendation and may approve such recommendation. The City Commission may also, at its option, reject the City Manager's recommendation and select another Proposals which it deems to be in the best interest of the City, or it may also reject all Proposals.

- 11. NEGOTIATIONS. Following selection, the City reserves the right to enter into further negotiations with the selected Proposer. Notwithstanding the preceding, the City is in no way obligated to enter into a contract with the selected Proposer in the event the parties are unable to negotiate a contract. It is also understood and acknowledged by Proposers that no property, contract or legal rights of any kind shall be created at any time until and unless an Agreement has been agreed to; approved by the City; and executed by the parties.
- **12. E-VERIFY.** As a contractor you are obligated to comply with the provisions of Section 448.095, Fla. Stat., "Employment Eligibility." Therefore, you shall utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the Contractor during the term of the Contract and shall expressly require any subcontractors performing work or providing services pursuant to the Contract to likewise utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the subcontractor during the Contract term.
- 13. PERISCOPE S2G (FORMERLY BIDSYNC). The Procurement Department utilizes Periscope S2G, Supplier-to-Government electronic bidding (e-Bid) platform. If you would like to be notified of available competitive solicitations released by the City you must register and complete your vendor qualifications through Periscope S2G, Supplier-to-Government <a href="https://www.bidsync.com/Miami-Beach">www.bidsync.com/Miami-Beach</a>. Registration is easy and will only take a few minutes. For detailed instructions on how to register, complete vendor qualifications and submit electronic bids visit <a href="https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/procurement/for-approval-how-to-become-a-vendor/">https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/procurement/for-approval-how-to-become-a-vendor/</a>.

Should you have any questions regarding this system or registration, please visit the above link or contact Periscope S2G, Supplier-to-Government at <a href="mailto:support@bidsync.com">support@bidsync.com</a> or 800.990.9339, option 1, option 1.

14. HOW TO MANAGE OR CREATE A VENDOR PROFILE ON VENDOR SELF SERVICE (VSS). In addition to registering with Periscope S2G, the City encourages vendors to register with our online Vendor Self- Service web page, allowing City vendors to easily update contacts, attachments (W-9), and commodity information. The Vendor Self-Service (VSS) webpage (<a href="https://selfservice.miamibeachfl.gov/vss/Vendors/default.aspx">https://selfservice.miamibeachfl.gov/vss/Vendors/default.aspx</a>) will also provide you with purchase orders and payment information.

Should you have any questions and/or comments, do not hesitate to submit them to vendorsupport@miamibeachfl.gov.

15. SUPPLIER DIVERSITY. In an effort to increase the number and diversity of supplier options in the procurement of goods and services, the City has established a registry of LGBT-owned businesses, as certified by the National LGBT Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC) and small and disadvantaged businesses, as certified by Miami-Dade County. See authorizing resolutions <a href="https://example.com/hct/scale-resolution-number-of-com/hct/scale

If your company is certified as an LGBT-owned business by NGLCC, or as a small or disadvantaged business by Miami-Dade County, click on the link below to be added to the City's supplier registry (Vendor Self-Service) and bid system (Periscope S2G, Supplier-to-Government). These are two different systems and it is important that you register for both.

Click to see acceptable certification and to register: <a href="https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/procurement/how-to-become-a-vendor/">https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/procurement/how-to-become-a-vendor/</a>.

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#### SECTION 0200 GENERAL CONDITIONS

**TERMS & CONDITIONS –SERVICES.** By virtue of submitting a proposal in response to this solicitation, proposer agrees to be bound by and in compliance with the Terms and Conditions for Services (version dated April 13, 2020), incorporated herein, which may be found at the following link:

https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/procurement/standard-terms-and-conditions/



#### SECTION 0300 PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMAT

1. ELECTRONIC RESPONSES (ONLY). Proposals must be submitted electronically through Periscope S2G (formerly BidSync) on or before the date and time indicated. Hard copy proposals or proposals received through email or facsimile are not acceptable and will be rejected.

A proposer may submit a modified proposal to replace all or any portion of a previously submitted proposal until the deadline for proposal submittals. The City will only consider the latest version of the bid.

Electronic proposal submissions may require the uploading of attachments. All documents should be attached as separate files in accordance with the instructions included in Section 4, below. Attachments containing embedded documents or proprietary file extensions are prohibited. It is the Bidder's responsibility to assure that its bid, including all attachments, is uploaded successfully.

Only proposal submittals received, and time stamped by Periscope S2G (formerly BidSync) prior to the proposal submittal deadline shall be accepted as timely submitted. Late bids cannot be submitted and will not be accepted. Bidders are cautioned to allow sufficient time for the submittal of bids and uploading of attachments. Any technical issues must be submitted to Periscope S2G (formerly BidSync) by contacting (800) 990-9339 (toll free) or S2G@periscopeholdings.com. The City cannot assist with technical issues regarding submittals and will in no way be responsible for delays caused by any technical or other issue.

It is the sole responsibility of each Bidder to ensure its proposal is successfully submitted in BidSync prior to the deadline for proposal submittals.

- <u>2. NON-RESPONSIVENESS.</u> Failure to submit the following requirements shall result in a determination of non-responsiveness. Non-responsive proposals will not be considered.
  - 1. Bid Submittal Questionnaire
  - 2. Failure to comply with Minimum Eligibility Requirement (See Appendix A, Section A1).
  - 3. Fiancial Proposal (Tab 4).
- 3. OMITTED OR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. Failure to complete and submit the Bid Submittal Questionnaire (submitted electronically) and the Cost Proposal with the bid and by the deadline for submittals shall render a proposal non-responsive. Non-Responsive proposals will not be considered. With the exception of the Bid Submittal Questionnaire (completed and submitted electronically) and the Cost Proposal, the City reserves the right to seek any omitted information/documentation or any additional information from Proposer or other source(s), including but not limited to: any firm or principal information, applicable licensure, resumes of relevant individuals, client information, financial information, or any information the City deems necessary to evaluate the capacity of the Proposer to perform in accordance with contract requirements. Failure to submit any omitted or additional information in accordance with the City's request shall result in proposal being deemed non-responsive.
- <u>4. ELECTRONIC PROPOSAL FORMAT.</u> In order to maintain comparability, facilitate the review process and assist the Evaluation Committee in review of proposals, it is strongly recommended that proposals be organized and tabbed in accordance with the tabs, and sections as specified below. The electronic submittal should be tabbed as enumerated below and contain a table of contents with page references. The electronic proposal shall be submitted through the "Line Items" attachment tab in Periscope S2G.

#### TAB 1 Cover Letter & Minimum Qualifications Requirements

**1.1 Cover Letter and Table of Contents.** The cover letter must indicate Proposer and Proposer Primary Contact for the purposes of this solicitation.

**1.2 Minimum Qualifications Requirements.** Submit verifiable information documenting compliance with the minimum qualifications requirements established in Appendix A, Minimum Requirements and Specifications.

#### TAB 2 Experience & Qualifications

- **2.1 Qualifications of Proposing Firm.** Submit detailed information regarding the relevant experience and proven track record of the firm and/or its principals in providing the scope of services similar as identified in this solicitation, including experience in providing similar scope of services to public sector agencies. For each project that the Proposer submits as evidence of similar experience for the firm and/or any principal, the following is required: project description, agency name, agency contact, contact telephone & email, and year(s) and term of engagement. For each project, identify whether the experience is for the firm or for a principal (include name of principal).
- **2.2 Qualifications of Proposer Team.** Provide an organizational chart of all personnel and consultants to be used for this project if awarded, the role that each team member will play in providing the services detailed herein and each team members' qualifications. A resume of each individual, including education, experience, and any other pertinent information, shall be included for each Proposal team member to be assigned to this contract.

#### TAB 3 Approach and Methodology

Submit detailed information on how Proposer plans to accomplish the required scope of services, including detailed information, as applicable, which addresses, but need not be limited to:

- include schedule of benefits and any applicable discounts, costs, copays, etc.
- vision network of credentialed ophthalmologists, optometrists, opticians, and retail optical centers that are geographically accessible to participants;
- explain how the proposer will efficiently and accurately communicate with City personnel and the benefits consultant:
- explain proposer's approach to customer service and how it retains representatives with knowledge on specific details of the vision plan, claims, and the network of providers;
- explain how the proposer will resolve any member issues (preferably within three (3) working days);
- explain the process for receiving enrollment from the City via electronic enrollment;
- explain how the proposer will provide monthly billing reports with access to pull billing and other coverage information online securely;
- explain the proposer's appeals procedure process for any member with dissatisfaction with a claim denial;
- explain how the proposer will efficiently process claims including verification of enrollment, determination
  of benefit coverage, application of appropriate provider reimbursement, creation and mailing of EOBs for
  all claims, timely payment, storage of all claims information;
- explain how the proposer will monitor and report plan financials, utilization, network performance, etc.
- explain the process for enrollment of active members during open enrollment with an effective date of October 1st and give terminated members the ability to continue coverage via COBRA.

#### TAB 4 Cost Proposal

1. Submit proposed per employee per month (PEPM) fee.

#### SECTION 0400 PROPOSAL EVALUATION

- 1. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS. All responsive proposals will be evaluated in accordance with this section. If more than one proposal is received, the City Manager may appoint an Evaluation Committee to consider and provide feedback on the qualitative factors of each proposal. In the event that only one responsive proposal is received, the City Manager, after determination that the sole responsive proposal materially meets the requirements of the RFP, may, without an evaluation committee, recommend to the City Commission that the Administration enter into negotiations. In the evaluation of proposals, Proposers may be requested to make additional written submissions of a clarifying nature or oral presentations to the Evaluation Committee. Failure to provide the requested information within the time prescribed may result in the disqualification of proposal.
- 2. QUALITATIVE FACTORS (QUALIFICATIONS, APPROACH AND COST). The Evaluation Committee shall only consider qualitative factors. The Evaluation Committee shall not consider quantitative factors (e.g. veterans preference, etc.) in its review of proposals. The Evaluation Committee's role is solely in an advisory capacity to the City Manager. The results of the Evaluation Committee process do not constitute an award recommendation. The City Manager may utilize, but is not bound by, the results of the Evaluation Committee process, as well as consider any feedback or information provided by staff, consultants or any other third-party, as well as consideration of the quantitative factors, in developing an award recommendation to be presented to the City Commission for consideration. In its review of proposals received, the Evaluation Committee may review and score all proposals, with or without conducting interview sessions, in accordance with the following criteria. The Procurement Department will assign points for Veteran's Preference, pursuant to Section 2-374 of the City Code, as applicable.

Qualitative Criteria (Points Assigned by Evaluation Committee)	Maximum Points
Experience & Qualifications	35
Approach & Methodology	30
Cost Proposal	35
TOTAL AVAILABLE POINTS for Qualitative Criteria	100
Quantitative Criteria (Points Assigned by Procurement Department)	Maximum Points
Veteran's Preference Points	5
TOTAL AVAILABLE POINTS for Qualitative and Quantitative	105

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**3.QUANTITATIVE FACTORS.** Quantitative factors shall not be considered by the Evaluation Committee. Quantitative factors will be considered by the City Manager in preparing a recommendation to the City Commission. In considering quantitative factors, the City Manager may also consider any feedback or information provided by staff, consultants or any other third-party in developing an award recommendation in accordance with Sub-section 5 below.

**4.Cost Proposal Evaluation.** The cost proposal points shall be developed in accordance with the following formula:

Sample Objective Formula for Cost				
Vendor	Vendor Cost Proposal	Example Maximum Allowable Points (Points noted are for illustrative purposes only. Actual points are noted above.)	Formula for Calculating Points (lowest cost / cost of proposal being evaluated X maximum allowable points = awarded points) Round to	Total Points Awarded
Vendor A	\$100.00	20	\$100 / \$100 X 20 = 20	20
Vendor B	\$150.00	20	\$100 / \$150 X 20 = 13	13
Vendor C	\$200.00	20	\$100 / \$200 X 20 = 10	10

**EVALUATION COMMITTEE RANKING FOR QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE FACTORS.** The sum of qualitative and quantitative scores will be converted to rankings in accordance with the example below.

		Bidder A	Bidder B	Bidder C
	Qualitative Points	82	76	80
Committee	Quantitative Points	22	15	12
Member 1	Total	104	91	92
	Rank	1	3	2
	Qualitative Points	79	85	72
Committee	Quantitative Points	22	15	12
Member 2	Total	101	100	84
	Rank	1	2	3
	Qualitative Points	80	74	66
Committee	Quantitative Points	22	15	12
Member 2	Total	102	89	78
	Rank	1	2	3
Low Aggregate Score		3	7	8
Final Ranking*		1	2	3

- **5. DETERMINATION OF AWARD.** The City Manager shall consider qualitative and quantitative factors, in accordance with Sub-section 2 and 3 above, to recommend the proposer(s) he deems to be in the best interest of the City or may recommend rejection of all proposals. The City Manager's recommendation need not be consistent with the information provided by the evaluation committee process and takes into consideration Miami Beach City Code Section 2-369, including the following considerations:
  - (1) The ability, capacity and skill of the Proposer to perform the contract.
  - (2) Whether the Proposer can perform the contract within the time specified, without delay or interference.
  - (3) The character, integrity, reputation, judgment, experience and efficiency of the Proposer.
  - (4) The quality of performance of previous contracts.
  - (5) The previous and existing compliance by the Proposer with laws and ordinances relating to the contract.

The City Manager may recommend to the City Commission the Proposer(s) s/he deems to be in the best interest of the City or may recommend rejection of all proposals. The City Commission shall consider the City Manager's recommendation and may approve such recommendation. The City Commission may also, at its option, reject the City Manager's recommendation and select another Proposal or Proposals which it deems to be in the best interest of the City, or it may also reject all Proposals.

## APPENDIX A

# MIAMIBEACH

# Minimum Requirements & Scope of Work

RFP 2022-320-WG Vision Insurance Benefit Plan

> PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT 1755 Meridian Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139

- **A1. Minimum Eligibility Requirements.** The Minimum Eligibility Requirements for this solicitation are listed below. Bidder shall submit the required submittal(s) documenting compliance with each minimum requirement. Proposers that fail to comply with minimum requirements shall be deemed non-responsive and shall not have its bid considered.
  - 1. The Company must be licensed in the State of Florida to provide insurance services.
- **A2. Scope of Work.** Vision Insurance Benefit Plan providers shall provide vision insurance coverage for benefit eligible employees, retirees and their dependents including, but not be limited to, the following services:
  - A vision network of credentialed Ophthalmologists, Optometrists, Opticians, and retail optical centers that are geographically accessible to participants.
  - Discounts on products and services including, but not limited to annual vision exams, eyeglass exams, contact lens exams, frames and lenses.
  - Efficient, accurate, and timely response to City personnel and their benefits consultant. A toll-free number shal be provided for member support. Customer Service representatives should be knowledgeable on specific details of the vision plan, claims, and the network of providers. Any member issues should be resolved withing three (3) working days.
  - Receipt of enrollment from the City via electronic enrollment.
  - Provide participants with a vision card which will identify the member as eligible for vision services and discounts. Mail vision cards to the participant's home address withing ten (10) business days of receiving enrollment information.
  - Provide monthly billing reports with access to pull billing and other coverage information online securely.
  - Offer a clear appeals procedure process for any member with dissatisfaction with a claim denial.
  - Perform all claims processing functions including verification of enrollment; determination of benefit coverage; application of appropriate provider reimbursement; creation and mailing of EOBs for all claims; timely payment; storage of all claims information.
  - Produce claims reports to monitor plan financials, utilization, network performance, etc.
  - Enroll active members during open enrollment with an effective date of October 1<sup>st</sup> and give terminated members the ability to continue coverage via COBRA.

#### A3. Special Conditions

- **1. TERM OF CONTRACT.** The term of the Agreement resulting from this RFP shall be for an initial term of two (2) years.
- 2. OPTION TO RENEW. The City, through its City Manager, will have the option to extend for one (1) additional two-year period at the City's sole discretion. The successful contractor shall maintain, for the entirety of any renewal period, the same cost, terms, and conditions included within the originally awarded contract. Continuation of the contract beyond the initial period, and any option subsequently exercised, is a City prerogative, and not a right of the successful contractor.
- **3. ADDITIONAL SERVICES.** Services not specifically identified in this request may be added to, or deleted from, any resultant contract upon successful negotiations and mutual consent of the contracting parties, and approval by the City Manager.

## APPENDIX B

# MIAMIBEACH

# Insurance Requirements

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> PROCUREMENT DEPARTMENT 1755 Meridian Avenue, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139



#### **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

The vendor shall maintain the below required insurance in effect prior to awarding the contract and for the duration of the contract. The maintenance of proper insurance coverage is a material element of the contract and failure to maintain or renew coverage may be treated as a material breach of the contract, which could result in withholding of payments or termination of the contract.

- A. Workers' Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Contractor as required by Florida Statute Chapter 440 and Employer Liability Insurance with a limit of no less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury or disease. Should the Contractor be exempt from this Statute, the Contractor and each employee shall hold the City harmless from any injury incurred during performance of the Contract. The exempt contractor shall also submit (i) a written statement detailing the number of employees and that they are not required to carry Workers' Compensation insurance and do not anticipate hiring any additional employees during the term of this contract or (ii) a copy of a Certificate of Exemption.
- B. Commercial General Liability Insurance on an occurrence basis, including products and completed operations, property damage, bodily injury and personal & advertising injury with limits no less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and \$2,000,000 general aggregate.
- C. Automobile Liability Insurance covering any automobile, if vendor has no owned automobiles, then coverage for hired and non-owned automobiles, with limit no less than \$1,000,000 combined per accident for bodily injury and property damage.
- D. Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions) Insurance appropriate to the Consultant's profession, with limit no less than \$1,000,000.

**Additional Insured -** City of Miami Beach must be included by endorsement as an additional insured with respect to all liability policies (except Professional Liability and Workers' Compensation) arising out of work or operations performed on behalf of the contractor including materials, parts, or equipment furnished in connection with such work or operations and automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed in the form of an endorsement to the contractor's insurance.

**Notice of Cancellation** - Each insurance policy required above shall provide that coverage shall not be cancelled, except with notice to the City of Miami Beach c/o EXIGIS Insurance Compliance Services.

**Waiver of Subrogation** – Vendor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to affect the waiver of subrogation on the coverages required. However, this provision applies regardless of whether the City has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

**Acceptability of Insurers** – Insurance must be placed with insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of A:VII or higher. If not rated, exceptions may be made for members of the Florida Insurance Funds (i.e. FWCIGA, FAJUA). Carriers may also be considered if they are licensed and authorized to do insurance business in the State of Florida.

**Verification of Coverage** – Contractor shall furnish the City with original certificates and amendatory endorsements, or copies of the applicable insurance language, effecting coverage required by this contract. All certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the City before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The City reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements, required by these specifications, at any time.

#### **CERTIFICATE HOLDER MUST READ:**

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH c/o EXIGIS Insurance Compliance Services P.O. Box 4668 – ECM #35050 New York, NY 10163-4668

Kindly submit all certificates of insurance, endorsements, exemption letters to our servicing agent, EXIGIS, at:

Certificates-miamibeach@riskworks.com

**Special Risks or Circumstances -** The City of Miami Beach reserves the right to modify these requirements, including limits, based on the nature of the risk, prior experience, insurer, coverage, or other special circumstances.

Compliance with the foregoing requirements shall not relieve the vendor of his liability and obligation under this section or under any other section of this agreement.