

# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE/BRAILLE/ LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION SERVICES

ISSUE DATE: Thursday, March 14, 2024

RFP NO.: 100129-FY24-33

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PROPOSAL DUE DATE: Monday, April 22, 2024; 3:00 P.M.

DELIVERY ADDRESS: Commonwealth's eProcurement website

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NOTE: Effective January 1, 2021, and until further notice, all bids and proposals in response to a formal solicitation issued by the Town will be securely received via eVA, the Commonwealth's eProcurement website. All formal solicitations, including notices of addenda, will be posted on the Town's Bid Board (<a href="http://www.leesburgva.gov/bidboard">http://www.leesburgva.gov/bidboard</a>) and eVA (<a href="www.eva.virginia.gov">www.eva.virginia.gov</a>). Courtesy notifications will be provided to interested parties who have registered to receive updates. Interested parties are responsible for providing the correct contact information to the Town.

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#### I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to obtain firm fixed pricing from one or more qualified Contractors who can provide one or more of the following services: (1) inperson American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation services, real-time translation services, and video interpretation services for deaf/hard of hearing individuals for the Town of Leesburg, Virginia (Town); (2) the purchase of all labor, materials, supervision, supplies, services, incidentals, and any related items necessary to provide Braille and Tactile Services for the blind/visually impaired for the Town; and (3) in-person and/or video/telephone remote interpreting for foreign language interpretation and document translation services for Limited English Proficiency (LEP) individuals for the Town. Such services will be requested on an 'as needed' basis.

The successful offeror(s), also referred to as "Contractor(s)", will serve all Town departments to include but not be limited to: public safety, parks and recreation, human resources, and Town management. At this time, the Town's primary usage has been for foreign language interpretation for our police department, and, most recently, for foreign language interpretation for our regulatory boards. The successful offeror(s) may also provide services for specialized programs and general business needs. The successful offeror(s) must be available to provide interpretation services twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. The Town does not guarantee any minimum services to any one offeror.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The Town of Leesburg (Town) is located 35 miles west of Washington, D.C. The Town encompasses an area of 12 square miles with an estimated population of 54,215. The Town is the largest town in population in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Town Services include a general aviation airport, police, public works including street maintenance, storm water management, utility services including water and sanitary sewer, parks and recreation with 17 active and passive parks, and a genealogical and research library amongst other services.

The Town's changing demographics are driving the Town's need to serve and communicate with various individuals including those who are deaf/hard of hearing, blind/visually impaired, and those who are considered "Limited English Proficient" (LEP).

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) prohibits discrimination and ensures equal opportunity for persons with disabilities in employment, state and local government services, public accommodations, commercial facilities, and transportation. It also mandates the establishment of TDD/telephone relay services. The current text of the ADA includes changes made by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-325), which became effective on January 1, 2009. The ADA was originally enacted in public law format and late rearranged and published in the United States Code. (Source: http://www.ada.gov/2010 regs.htm)

Pursuant to the ADA, the Town will take appropriate steps to ensure that communications with members of the public and employees with disabilities are as effective as their communication with people without such disabilities. To ensure equal opportunity to participate in, and enjoy the benefits of a Town service, program, or activity, the Town will provide, upon request, a qualified interpreter or translation for persons with disabilities including, but not limited to, people who are deaf/hard of hearing and/or blind/visually impaired on an as-needed basis.

Section 601 of Title VI of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 196 states: "No person in the United States must, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

Accordingly, the Town's changing demographics drive the Town's need to serve and communicate with individuals who are considered LEP. That is, they cannot speak, read, write, or understand English at a level that permits them to interact effectively with Town staff. To ensure equal opportunity to participate in, and enjoy the benefits of a Town service, program, or activity, the Town will provide, upon request, foreign language interpretation and translation services by trained and competent providers on an as-needed basis for all possible languages spoken in the Town. The most common languages in need of interpretation and translation services include Spanish, Vietnamese, Farsi, Korean, Mandarin, French, Arabic, Hindi, and Urdu.

As a result of this solicitation, several offerors may be selected to provide these services. The subsequent contracts for services will be coordinated and managed through the Town's ADA Coordinator; however, all Town departments will have access to the contracts for direct requests for service in order to expedite response times for accommodation or interpretation/translation requests.

Interpretation/translation services may be needed for a variety of programs and events throughout the Town. These include, but are not limited to, public meetings, indoor and outdoor recreation classes, community festivals, interview panels, traffic stops (video remote only), press announcements, and business forums.

The Town will notify the offerors with as much advance notice as possible. However, immediate and emergency services will be needed.

#### III. STATEMENT OF NEEDS

The successful offeror(s), also referred to herein as "Contractor," will be expected to provide all expertise, labor, equipment, and resources necessary to complete the services herein. The requirements identified herein are for informational purposes only and the Town reserves the right to add and/or delete services based on specific tasks.

The Town of Leesburg (Town) expects to award multiple contracts under this solicitation and reserves the right to determine the exact number of individual contracts based on the responses received from this request. An offeror may provide services for more than one of the services. However, it is not necessary for Contractors to have the capabilities to provide all services listed in order to submit a proposal to the Town.

#### A. Contractor Requirements for All Services

The Contractor must be responsible for the following for each service and/or assignment provided:

- 1. Provide experienced, qualified, and professional interpreters/translators as requested for Town assignments. The Town has the right to request a replacement interpreter or translator if, at the Town's discretion, the performance of work is not adequate.
- 2. Maintain the schedule of services and assignments including but not limited to, arriving on time, providing substitutes with adequate skills, and remaining for the requested assignment duration.
- 3. If available, provide a specific interpreter or translator when requested.
- 4. A specific interpreter or translator that was used in a previous assignment may be requested for future assignments by law enforcement, especially when a case is ongoing.
- 5. Explain staffing management, noting whether freelance or subcontractors are used for services provided.
- 6. The Contractor must meet the Terms and Conditions of the contract, including but not limited to the cancellation policy.
- 7. The Contractor must provide reports of services and total service expenditures, as requested.
- 8. All interpreters/translators must comply with all applicable codes of conduct.

# B. American Sign Language (ASL) Interpreter Services

# 1. In-person:

a. The Contractor must provide experienced, qualified, interpreters and/or translators including sign, cued speech, and oral interpretation/translation by individuals that hold a screening level from the Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing that ensures an eighty (80) percent accuracy rating.

- b. The Contractor must send confirmation in writing (by email) for service assignment to the requesting Town employee within twelve (12) hours of the request, unless the request has been made less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to its start, in which case the confirmation must be sent within two (2) hours of the request.
- c. The Contractor must include the date, time, and location of the scheduled appointment in each confirmation. The name of the interpreter must be provided prior to the assignment, along with the interpreter's contact information for before and during the assignment.

# 2. Video Interpretation:

- a. The Contractor must provide Video Remote Interpretation (VRI) as needed for the Town any time, 24 hours a day/7 days a week if a person needs immediate interpretation services or if video is the preferred method of communication.
- b. The Contractor must provide support for the Town for the use and set-up of VRI, ensuring proper connection, and providing training for users as needed.

#### C. Foreign Language Interpreters

# 1. In-person/Face-to-Face:

- a. The Contractor must provide in-person interpreting from English to another language and/or vice-versa, at Town facilities, programs, events, and for community services.
- b. The Contractor must provide a complete list of languages available and note if the availability of certain languages is limited.
- c. The Contractor must send confirmation in writing (by email) for service assignment to the requesting Town employee within twelve (12) hours of the request, unless the request has been made less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to its start, in which case the confirmation must be sent within two (2) hours of the request.
- d. The Contractor must include the date, time, and location of the scheduled appointment in each confirmation. The name of the interpreter must be provided prior to the assignment, along with the interpreter's contact information for before and during the assignment.

#### 2. On Video:

a. The Contactor must provide Video Remote Interpretation (VRI) as needed for the Town, for an agreed upon list of languages to be provided by the Contractor if a person needs immediate interpretation services or if video is the preferred method of communication.

- b. The Contractor must provide a list of which languages are immediately available upon request and which require advance notification.
- c. The Contractor must provide support for the Town for the use and set-up of VRI, ensuring proper connection, and providing training for users as needed.

# 3. By Telephone:

- a. The Contractor must provide telephone interpretation services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, on an as needed basis.
- b. The Contractor must provide a list of which languages are immediately available upon request and which require advance notification.
- c. The Contractor must provide Town staff access through a toll-free phone number with 24 hour a day, 7 day a week availability.

# D. Foreign Language Written Translation

- 1. The Contractor must provide written translation services (from English to another language and/or vice versa), ensuring that the translation is technically and culturally accurate and that the document is correctly formatted.
- 2. The Town requires that translators produce accurate, complete, and readable translations while also taking into account cultural nuances and idioms.
- 3. The Contractor must provide translation services in Town facilities, other agreed upon Town location as needed, or remotely at the Contractor's location.
- 4. Translation services must be provided for electronic formats, webpage content, and other electronic documents, as well as written formats that are not electronic.

# **E.** Braille Translation

- 1. The Contractor must provide printed or electronic document translation into Braille format to include text, tactic graphics, and mathematical symbols in compliance with ADA and any applicable regulations:
- 2. The Contractor must provide printed or electronic document translation into audio format.
- 3. The Contractor is responsible for obtaining and maintaining all required equipment and tools such as Braille translation software.

- 4. The Contractor must perform quality assurance checks to ensure accuracy of the translation, as well as evidence of experience and the ability to provide the requested services.
- 5. The Contractor must provide a timeline of service upon the receipt of each request.

# F. 508 Compliance Review and Remediation Services

- 1. The Contractor must review, remediate, and ensure electronic documents comply with Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, including remediating Word, PDF, and Excel files.
- 2. The Contractor must be able to remediate files containing redactions and/or images, and conduct testing to certify documents fully pass accessibility checklists.
- 3. The Contractor must provide a timeline of service upon the receipt of each service request.

# IV. PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

#### A. Submittal Instructions

One (1) electronic copy of your <u>complete proposal</u>, and one (1) electronic copy with any trade secret, confidential, or proprietary information redacted must be submitted. Late proposals will <u>not</u> be accepted. Mailed, telephone, fax, emailed and verbal offers will <u>not</u> be accepted. Submit proposals through the Commonwealth's eProcurement website, www.eva.virginia.gov with the following information on the exterior:

In order to be considered for a contract award, offerors must complete and submit a response to this RFP via the Commonwealth's electronic procurement website eVA (www.eva.virginia.gov). eVA streamlines and automates government purchasing activities in the Commonwealth. The eVA portal is the gateway for vendors to conduct business with state agencies and public bodies. Offerors desiring to provide goods and/or services to the Town must be a registered vendor in eVA. eVA Vendor Registration is free.

On the eVA website, www.eva.virginia.gov, applicants must login as a vendor using their eVA username and password. Please contact eVA Customer Care for instructions and/or assistance in registering to become a vendor, login, and/or uploading documents. eVA Customer Care:

Hours: 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM, Monday through Friday Phone Toll Free: 866-289-7367 Email: eVACustomerCare@DGS.Virginia.gov Guides for registering as a new vendor and submitting proposals on eVA are included at the end of this document.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to the Town via the Commonwealth's eVA website **prior** to the proposal submission deadline stipulated for this RFP or as amended via any subsequent addenda issued by the Town. Offerors assume full responsibility for the electronic delivery of the completed proposal to <a href="www.eva.virginia.gov">www.eva.virginia.gov</a> on or before the deadline for submission. The Town is not responsible for any loss or delay with respect to the submission of proposals. Late proposals will <a href="mailto:not">not</a> be accepted. Proposals submitted by any method other than via the eVA website will <a href="mailto:not">not</a> be accepted.

All required forms and documentation submitted in response to this RFP must be uploaded as one (1) pdf attachment to eVA (<a href="www.eva.virginia.gov">www.eva.virginia.gov</a>). The attachment should use the following naming convention: the RFP number and the name of the bidder (i.e. RFP No. <a href="100129-FY24-33">100129-FY24-33</a> - Your Company's Name).

NOTE: eVA will not allow an offeror to upload documents after the deadline set for receipt of proposals. Any submission partially uploaded at the deadline date and time will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted. ANY PROPOSAL RECEIVED BY THE TOWN AFTER THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

# **B.** Proposal Format

Offerors must submit proposals in the following format:

- 1. Proposals must include a cover letter, the completed RFP Submission Forms, references, supplemental information, and any other information that you deem appropriate.
- 2. Proposals must be submitted on 8-1/2" x 11" paper size. Proposals are to be prepared simply and concisely. Elaborated artwork, visual, and other presentation aids are not required.
- 3. Proposals must be signed by the person or persons legally authorized to bind the offeror to a Contract. Until further notice, electronic signatures will be accepted by the Town and submission of a proposal through the eVA website constitutes your representation that your firm authorizes the use of electronic signatures.
- 4. Proposals must contain no more than seventy-five (75) individual pages. All pages in the proposal (i.e. including covers, section dividers, table of contents, executive summary, etc.) will be counted as part of the page count.

5. Each copy of the proposal must be contained in one PDF, all pages must be indexed in the sequence and format as indicated below:

SECTION 1	<ul> <li>Executive Summary</li> <li>Offeror Submission Form (Page 30)</li> <li>Acknowledgement of Addenda (Page 31)</li> </ul>
SECTION 2	<ul> <li>Offeror's Experience and History</li> <li>Project Team and Organization Chart</li> <li>Client Listing/References (Page 32)</li> </ul>
SECTION 3	Understanding and Approach to the Statement of Needs
SECTION 4	• Price Proposal (Page 33)
SECTION 5	Exceptions to the RFP

# C. Proposal Organization

Offerors are encouraged to be thorough in addressing the Scope of Work and the Proposal Submittal Instructions as outlined in this RFP. Offerors must fully address each of the following items and submit proposals using the following format:

- 1. **Executive Summary**: Provide a concise description of all work experiences as they relate to the scope of work, including but not limited to: background information about organization (i.e. philosophy, ownership, size, facilities, locations, etc.), management structure, the type of organization you represent (i.e. individual, partnership, corporation, etc.), a detailed history of all mergers and acquisitions, and a copy of the certificate from the State Corporation Commission stating that your firm is authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 2. Capability and Skill: Describe the qualifications and skills of the organization and project team to provide the services, including but not limited to: offeror's qualifications to perform the services, qualifications and resumes of team members and other employees who will be managing and performing the services, indicate services to be subcontracted and subcontractor(s) to provide said services, and provide a list of three (3) references from the last five (5) years. The list must include names, address, telephone numbers, and email addresses of contact persons as well as a brief description of the work performed.
- 3. **Services Proposed**: Provide a <u>detailed</u> description of the services to be provided under this contract, including but not limited to: overview of the offeror's

understanding of the statement of needs and services to be provided, provide best practice approaches to the Town that will enhance efficiency and effectiveness, address <u>each</u> of the specific requirements set forth in Section III Statement of Needs in order to demonstrate how the proposed solution will meet the specifications requested, and a statement explaining why the offeror's proposed solution would be the most advantageous to the Town.

- 4. **Price Proposal**: Offeror must provide proposed fee structure for the Town in the format outlined on the Pricing Form. Price proposal will be itemized by the deliverables outlined in Section III.
- 5. **Exceptions to RFP**: Detail any exceptions taken to the Scope of Work and Terms and Conditions sections of this RFP. For each exception, specify the RFP page number, section number, and the exception taken.

# D. Proposal Protection

In accordance with Sections 11 and 12 of the Town's General Terms and Conditions, all proposals submitted in response to this RFP will be open to inspection by any citizen, or interested person, firm or corporation, in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by a firm prior to or as part of its proposal will not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act only under the following circumstances: (1) the appropriate information is clearly identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining; (2) only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secrets or proprietary information are identified; and (3) a summary page is supplied immediately following the proposal title page that includes (a) the information to be protected, (b) the section(s)/page number(s) where this information is found in the proposal, and (c) a statement why protection is necessary for each section listed. The firm must also provide a separate electronic copy of the proposal with the trade secrets and/or proprietary information redacted. If all of these requirements are not met, then the firm's entire proposal will be available for public inspection.

IMPORTANT: A firm may not request that its entire proposal be treated as a trade secret or proprietary information, nor may a firm request that its pricing/fees be treated as a trade secret or proprietary information, or otherwise be deemed confidential. If after given a reasonable time, the Offeror refuses to withdraw the aforementioned designation, the proposal will be removed from consideration.

# V. QUESTIONS AND INQUIRIES

Unless otherwise instructed, the Procurement Contact is the sole point of contact for questions concerning this RFP. Questions concerning this RFP must be made in writing to

the Procurement Contact listed on the cover page of the RFP. Questions must be received by the Question Deadline stated on the cover page of this RFP.

A formal addendum responding to all questions received by the deadline will be made available no later than five business days before the proposal due date. Additional clarifications to the specifications will also be in the form of a written addendum. All addenda will be posted on the Town's website. Such addenda will become part of the contract documents. Verbal instructions are not binding and will not form a part of the proposal documents. It is the offeror's responsibility to obtain all addenda from the Town's website: http://www.leesburgva.gov/bidboard

#### VI. EVALUATION CRITERIA AND AWARD

#### A. Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be evaluated on the following criteria and weighted accordingly:

- 1. Quality of resources and offerors experience –35%
- 2. Offerors understanding of Statement of Needs 25%
- 3. Proposed pricing 30%
- 4. Implementation Plan 10%

# **B.** Selection Process

The selected committee will be comprised of Town of Leesburg staff. The Town Staff will evaluate and rank the proposals using the evaluation criteria stated above and negotiate a contract in accordance with the process for competitive negotiation described in Section 2.2-4302.2 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act (VPPA) for non-professional services.

The Town reserves the right to accept or to reject any or all proposals in whole or in part, to make multiple awards, and to waive informalities in the process of awarding this contract. The Town further reserves the right to make an award of a contract without further discussion of the proposals received provided it is determined in writing that only one offeror is fully qualified, or that one offeror is clearly more highly qualified and suitable than the others under consideration. Therefore, proposals should be submitted initially on the most favorable terms that the offeror could propose with respect to both price and technical capability.

#### C. Contract Award

The Town intends to award a contract to a qualified offeror authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia with demonstrated experience similar in nature to that being requested herein. The award of a contract must be at the sole discretion of the Town. Award will be made to the offeror whose proposal is determined to be most advantageous to the Town, taking into consideration the above criteria.

The contents of the proposal submitted by the successful offeror will become a part of any contract awarded as a result of this RFP. The successful offeror must be expected to sign a contract with the Town. Additional terms and provisions may be included in the contract, a sample copy of which is enclosed.

#### VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### A. Special Terms and Conditions

1. **Contract Term**: The term of this Contract must commence on a date that is mutually agreed upon both parties and must continue in force for one (1) year. Upon mutual agreement of both parties, this Contract may be renewed for four (4) additional one-year terms. Renewal pricing may be negotiated and adjusted, but at no time will a single year price increase exceed the percentage increase of the Services less Energy Services (CPI-U) of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics for the latest twelve (12) month period for which statistics are available.

#### **B.** General Terms and Conditions

- 1. **Proposal Binding for One Hundred Twenty (120) Days**: Offeror agrees that this proposal must be valid and may not be withdrawn for a period of one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days after the due date.
- 2. **Late Proposals**: Proposals received after the time specified on the cover page of this RFP will not be accepted and will be returned unopened, provided a return address is visible.
- 3. **Acceptance or Rejection of Proposals**: The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals in whole or in part and to waive minor informalities in the process of awarding this contract.
- 4. **Competition Intended**: It is the Town's intent that this request for proposals permits competition. It must be the offeror's responsibility to advise the Procurement Officer in writing if any language, requirements, specifications, etc., or any combinations thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this RFP to a single source. The Procurement Officer must receive such notification at least ten (10) business days before the due date.
- 5. **Understanding of Specifications**: Offerors must thoroughly examine and be familiar with the Town specifications. The failure or omission of any offeror to receive or

examine this document must in no way relieve any offeror of obligations with respect to this proposal or the subsequent contract. The submission of a proposal must be taken as prima facie evidence of compliance with this paragraph.

- 6. **Exceptions to RFP:** Offerors taking exception to any part or section of this RFP must indicate such exceptions in their proposal. Failure to indicate any exceptions must be interpreted as the offeror's intent not to fully comply with the specifications as written. Conditional or qualified proposals are subject to rejection in whole or in part.
- 7. **Inquiries Concerning Specifications**: Questions concerning this RFP must be made in writing to the Procurement Contact listed on the cover page of the RFP.
- 8. **ADA Reasonable Accommodation Clause**: If you need any reasonable accommodation for any type of disability in order to participate in this procurement, please contact the Procurement Officer at least ten (10) business days before the proposal due date.
- 9. **Costs Incurred in Responding:** This solicitation does not commit the Town to pay any costs incurred in the preparation and submission of proposals, or to procure or contract for services defined herein.
- 10. **Employment Discrimination Prohibited:** During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
  - a. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex or national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
  - b. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, will state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
  - c. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation must be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
    - The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs a, b and c in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000 so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- 11. **Disposition of Proposals:** All materials submitted in response to this RFP will become the property of the Town. One (1) copy of each proposal must be retained for official files and will become a public record. These records will be available for public inspection after award of the contract. It is understood that the proposal will become a

part of the official file on this matter without obligation on the part of the Town except as to the disclosure restrictions contained in Section 12. "Trade Secrets and Proprietary Information Disclosure".

- 12. **Trade Secrets and Proprietary Information Disclosure:** In compliance with the Town's Procurement Policies, all proposals will be available for public inspection. Trade secrets and proprietary information submitted by an offeror in connection with procurement must not be subject to public disclosure under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. However, the offeror must invoke the protection of this section before or upon submission of the data or other materials, and must identify the specific area or scope of data or other materials to be protected and state the reasons why protection is necessary. An all-inclusive statement that the entire proposal is proprietary is unacceptable. A statement that the costs are to be protected is unacceptable.
- 13. **Laws and Regulations:** The offeror's attention is directed to the fact that all applicable Commonwealth of Virginia laws, municipal ordinances and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over the contract must apply to the contract throughout, and they will be considered to be included in the contract the same as though herein written out it full.
- 14. **License Requirement:** All firms doing business for the Town are required to be licensed in accordance with the Town's "Business, Professional, and Occupational Licensing (BPOL) Tax" Ordinance. Wholesale and retail merchants without a business location in Leesburg, VA are exempt from this requirement. Questions concerning the BPOL Tax should be directed to the Department of Finance, telephone **703-771-2723**. Indicate the BPOL license number on the proposal form.
- 15. **Ethics in Public Contracting:** The offeror agrees that it will adhere to Article 6 "Ethics in Public Contracting" requirements set forth in the Virginia Public Procurement Act.
- 16. **Safety:** All Contractors and subcontractors performing services for the Town are required and must comply with all Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), State and County Safety and Occupation Health Standards and any other applicable rules and regulations. Also, all Contractors and subcontractors must be held responsible for the safety of their employees and any unsafe acts or conditions that may cause injury or damage to any persons or property within and around the work site area under this contract.
- 17. **Termination:** Subject to the provisions below, the contract may be terminated by the Town upon thirty (30) days advance written notice to the other party. If any work or service hereunder is in progress, but not completed as of the date of termination, then this contract may be extended upon written approval of the Town until said work or services are completed and accepted.

<u>Termination for Convenience</u> – In the event that this contract is terminated or cancelled upon request and for the convenience of the Town, without the required thirty (30) days

advance written notice, then the Town must negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

<u>Termination for Cause</u>: – Termination by the Town for cause, default or negligence on the part of the Contractor must be excluded from the foregoing provision; termination costs, if any, must not apply. The thirty (30) days advance notice requirement is waived in the event of Termination for Cause. In the event of default by the offeror, we reserve the right to procure the commodities and/or services from other sources, and hold the offeror liable for any excess cost occasioned thereby. If, however, public necessity requires use of commodities and/or service not conforming to the specifications they may be accepted and payment therefore must be made at a proper reduction in price.

<u>Termination Due to Unavailability of Funds in Succeeding Fiscal Years</u> – When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal year, the contract must be cancelled and the Contractor must be reimbursed for the reasonable value of any non-recurring costs incurred but not amortized in the price of the supplies or services delivered under the contract.

- 18. **Non-Assignment of Contract:** The Contractor must not assign the contract, or any portion thereof, without the advanced written permission of the Procurement Officer, such permission not to be unreasonably withheld.
- 19. **Use by Other Localities:** Offerors are advised that the resultant contract may be extended, with the authorization of the offeror, to other public bodies or public agencies or institutions of the United States to permit their use of the contract at the same prices and/or discounts and terms and conditions of the resulting contract. If any other public body decides to use the final contract, the Contractor(s) must deal directly with that public body concerning the placement of orders, issuance of the purchase orders, contractual disputes, invoicing and payment. The Town of Leesburg acts only as the "Contracting Agent" for these public bodies. Failure to extend a contract to any public body will have no effect on consideration of your bid.

It is the Contractor's responsibility to notify the public body(s) of the availability of the contract.

Other public bodies desiring to use this contract must make their own legal determination as to whether the use of this contract is consistent with their laws, regulations, and other policies.

Each public body has the option of executing a separate contract with the Contractor(s). Public bodies may add terms and conditions required by statute, ordinances, and regulations, to the extent that they do not conflict with the contract's terms and conditions. If, when preparing such a contract, the general terms and conditions of the public body are unacceptable to the Contractor, the Contractor may withdrawal its extension of the award to that public body.

The Town of Leesburg must not be held liable for any costs or damages incurred by another public body as a result of any award extended to that Public Body by the Contractor.

- 20. **Modification of the Contract:** This contract may be modified by approved a contract modification or change order signed by both parties in accordance with the VPPA.
- 21. **Discrimination Prohibited; Participation of Small and Minority-Owned Business:** The Town must not discriminate against an offeror because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment.
- 22. **Drug-free Workplace to be maintained by Contractor; Required Contract Provisions:** All public bodies must include in every contract over \$10,000 the following provisions:

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purposes of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of any controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the contract.

23. Collusion Among Offerors: More than one proposal from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation, or association under the same or different name will be rejected. Reasonable grounds for believing that an offeror has an interest in more than one proposal for the work contemplated will cause rejection of all proposals in which the offeror is interested. Any or all proposals will be rejected if there is any reason for believing that collusion exists among the offerors. Participants in such collusion may not be considered in future proposals for the same work. The signer of the proposal must declare that all persons, companies, and parties interested in the contract as principals are named therein; that the proposal is made without collusion with any other person, persons, company or parties submitting a proposal; that it is in all respects fair and in good faith without collusion or fraud; and that the signer of the

- proposal has authority to contractually bind the offeror. See Offeror Submission Form.
- 24. **Town Employees:** No employee of the Town must be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise there from.
- 25. **Qualification of Offerors:** Each offeror may be required, before the award of any contract, to show to the complete satisfaction of the Evaluation Team that it has the necessary facilities, abilities, and financial resources to furnish the service or material specified herein in a satisfactory manner, and the offeror may also be required to show past history and reference which will enable the Evaluation Team to be satisfied as to the offeror's qualifications. Failure to qualify according to the foregoing requirements will justify proposal rejection.
- 26. **Liability:** The successful offeror will not be held responsible for failure to perform the duties and responsibilities imposed by the contract due to legal strikes, fires, civil disobedience, riots, rebellions, acts of God and similar occurrences beyond the control of the successful offeror that make performance impossible or illegal, unless otherwise specified in the agreement.
- 27. **Expenses Incurred In Preparing Proposal:** The Town accepts no responsibility for any expense incurred in the proposal preparation and presentation. Such expenses are to be borne exclusively by the offeror.
- 28. **Protest Of Award Or Decision To Award:** An offeror may protest an award or decision to award a contract under procedures as set forth in the VPPA.
- 29. **Ethics In Public Contracting:** This specification incorporates by reference, but is not limited to, the provisions of law contained in the Virginia Conflict of Interest Act, the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act, Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 of title 18.2 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, and the Town Procurement Policy.
- 30. **Faith-Based Organizations:** The Town of Leesburg does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.
- 31. **Insurance Requirements:** Offeror must secure at its own expense general liability insurance in an amount not less than \$2,000,000 solely contained in a Commercial General Liability Policy or in combination with an Umbrella or Excess Policy. Included must be coverage for Bodily Injury and Property Damage resulting from the operations, products, and completed operations of the Contractor.

Offeror must also carry automobile insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 solely contained in a Commercial Auto Policy or in combination with an Umbrella or Excess Policy. Offeror must also carry Workers Compensation insurance, which meets the statutory requirements of the Commonwealth of Virginia. In addition, offeror must also carry other insurance coverage deemed by the Town to be appropriate to his agreement.

The above-mentioned coverage must be placed with an insurance carrier licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The carrier must have an AM Best Rating of A or better. A Certificate of Insurance identifying coverage and naming the Town of Leesburg as additional insured must be furnished to the Town. Liability coverage must contain wording prohibiting cancellation of coverage, failure to renew, or reduction in limit without the insurer first giving 30 days prior written notice of such action to the Town.

- 32. **Payment Clauses:** Pursuant to Section 2.2-4354 of the VPPA, within seven days after receipt of amounts paid to the offeror by the Town for work performed by the subcontractor under the resulting contract the Offeror will:
  - a. Pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the Town attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under that contract; or
  - b. Notify the Town and subcontractor, in writing, of his intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment with the reason for nonpayment.

Individual Contractors must provide their social security numbers and proprietorships, partnerships, and corporations to provide their federal employer identification numbers.

The offeror will pay interest to the subcontractor on all amounts owed by the offeror that remain unpaid after seven days following receipt by the offeror of payment from the Town for work performed by the subcontractor under that contract, except for amounts withheld as allowed in subdivision 1.

"Unless otherwise provided under the terms of this contract, interest must accrue at the rate of one percent per month."

The offeror will include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements with respect to each lower-tier subcontractor.

A Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to the payment clause in this section must not be construed to be an obligation of the Town. A contract modification must not be made for the purpose of providing reimbursement for the interest charge. A cost reimbursement claim must not include any amount for reimbursement for the interest charge.

33. **Prime Vendor Responsibilities:** Offerors may propose services that are provided by others, but any services proposed must meet all of the requirements of this RFP. If the offeror's proposal includes services provided by others, the offeror will be required to act as the prime vendor for all such items and must assume full responsibility for the procurement delivery and quality of such services. The offeror will be considered

- the sole point of contact with regard to all stipulations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all requirements of this RFP.
- 34. **Purchase Orders:** A purchase order will be enclosed with the resulting contract or will be issued shortly thereafter, and will become an integral part of the resulting contract. The purchase order indicates that sufficient funds have been obligated as required by Title 15 of the Code of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and assures distribution of the necessary receiving reports. The purchase order does not supersede any provisions of the resulting contract. Performance time and dates are determined solely by the contract and any modification thereto. Services are not to begin until receipt of the purchase order and/or other notification by the Town's Procurement Officer or designee.
- 35. **Title VI Compliance:** The Town of Leesburg, VA, as a recipient federal funds, complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (found at 42 U.S.C. § 2000(d) and the following sections) which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin. The Town's Title VI Policy can be found at: <a href="https://www.leesburgva.gov/government/title-vi">https://www.leesburgva.gov/government/title-vi</a>.
- 36. **Contractor Verification Requirement:** The Town has implemented a Contractor verification process. Contractor information required by the Town must be verified through the Town's third-party validation service provider. Contractor must comply with this requirement to conduct business with the Town and receive payments. Instructions and additional information on how to comply with this requirement can be obtained from the Town's website at: <a href="https://www.leesburgva.gov/departments/finance/accounting/vendor-verification">https://www.leesburgva.gov/departments/finance/accounting/vendor-verification</a>.
- 37. Invoice Submission Requirement: The Town has implemented a Contractor invoice submission process. Contractor must submit invoices through the Town's invoice submission portal located at: <a href="https://www.leesburgva.gov/departments/finance/accounting/vendor-invoices">https://www.leesburgva.gov/departments/finance/accounting/vendor-invoices</a>. Instructions and additional information on how to comply with this requirement can be obtained from the website.

# SAMPLE CONTRACT – PROVIDED FOR REFERENCE PURPOSES ONLY. THE TOWN MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS IN ANY FINAL CONTRACT.

# CONTRACT NO. 100129-FY24-33 AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE/BRAILLE/ LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION SERVICES

This	CONTRACT (the "Contract") is made this day of, 2024, by and between the VN OF LEESBURG, VIRGINIA (the "Town"), a municipal corporation, and
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Virg (the	, a authorized to transact business in inia, having a usual place of business at "Contractor"), collectively referred to herein as "Parties".
	Contractor and the Town, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and agreements in contained, agree as follows:
1.	<b>Provision of Services.</b> The Contractor hereby agrees to provide the following services to the Town:
	[DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE]
2.	Contract Documents. The Contract Documents consist of this Contract, RFP No. 100129-FY24-33 (incorporated herein by reference), the Contractor's Proposal dated (attached hereto as "Exhibit A"), and any subsequent purchase orders issued by the Town. Where the terms of this Contract and the Contractor's Proposal are at variance, the provisions of this Contract shall prevail. The Parties agree that any ambiguity, conflict or inconsistency in the foregoing documents that together constitute the Contract, will be resolved in the following order of precedence: (1) this Contract; (2) RFP No. 100129-FY24-33 and all addenda thereto; (3) the Contractor's Proposal dated
3. [PEF	<u>Contract Term</u> . The term of this Contract shall consist of the period of time RIOD OF TIME].
4.	Contract Amount. In return for the services identified above, the Town certifies that sufficient funds are budgeted and shall compensate the Contractor [\$ AMOUNT]. The total project is expected not to exceed [\$ AMOUNT].

Invoice must reference the Contractor's name and address, detail the hours worked and services performed, must reference the purchase order number, and be mailed and/or emailed to the address(es) specified below:

<u>Method of Payment</u>. The Contractor shall The Contractor shall submit invoices to the Town with all supporting documentation and shall be reimbursed within thirty (30) days

after receipt of invoice or completion of services, whichever occurs later.

5.

Town of Leesburg Attn: Kate Trask 25 W. Market Street Leesburg, VA 20176 ktrask@leesburgva.gov

- **Applicable Law and Courts.** This Contract shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in a court within Loudoun County. The Contractor shall comply with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.
- 7. <u>Assignment of Contract</u>. This Contract shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the prior written consent of the Town.
- **8.** Audit. The Contractor shall retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this Contract for five (5) years after final payment, or until audited by the Town, whichever is sooner. The Town, its authorized agents, and/or auditors shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
- **Indemnification.** Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Town, its officers, agents, and employees from any claims, damages and actions of any kind or nature, whether at law or in equity, arising from or caused by any services of any kind or nature furnished by the Contractor.
- 10. <u>Notice</u>. The following persons shall be contact persons for the Parties, and notice given them, by certified return receipt requested mail to the addresses shown, shall constitute valid notice under the requirements of this agreement:

For the Contractor:	For the Town:	
For the Contractor:		
	For the Contractor:	

The Parties may amend such addresses by written notice to the opposite party at the given address.

# 11. Termination.

- A. Termination without Cause. The Town may terminate this Contract for any reason upon thirty (30) days' notice and upon payment of any and all sums already earned under the terms of Paragraphs numbered 4 and 5 of this Contract and reasonable expenses incurred in reliance upon the Contract.
- B. By Town with Cause. The Town may terminate this contract if the Contractor is in material breach with this Contract and fails to adequately remedy such breach after written notice from the Town and a 14-day period to cure the breach. If this Contract is terminated by the Town for cause, the Town may withhold any further payments to the Contractor until it determines its damages and may sue the Contractor for any damages caused by the breach. If the Town terminates this Contract for cause and it is later determined that such termination was not justified, then the termination shall be converted into one without cause under Paragraph 11.A. and any liability of the Town shall be limited solely to the liability provided by that paragraph for a termination without cause.
- C. If this Contract is terminated by the Town, the Contractor shall within seven days thereafter deliver to the Town all Contract Deliverables regardless of the current state of completion. In such case, the Contractor grants an irrevocable right to the Town to use the Contract Deliverables without additional compensation to the Contractor, but the Contractor will not be liable for any change or alterations to the Contract Deliverables or for their use in an incomplete state.
- D. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor agrees that any resulting contract is subject to annual appropriations of the Leesburg Town Council and that non-appropriation of sufficient funding to continue the contract will result in its automatic termination once existing funding is exhausted.
- **Integration Clause.** This Contract, including all incorporated Contract Documents, shall constitute the whole agreement between the Parties. There are no promises, terms, conditions, or obligations other than those contained herein, and this Contract shall supersede all previous communications, representations or agreements, written or verbal, between the Parties hereto related to the subject of this Contract.
- Notice of Required Disability Legislation Compliance. The Town is required to comply with state and federal disability legislation: The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504, The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) for 1990 Title II and The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990. Specifically, the Town may not, through its contractual and/or financial arrangements, directly or indirectly avoid compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Public Law 101-336, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities. Subtitle A protects qualified individuals with disability from discrimination on the basis of disability in the services, programs, or activities of all State and local governments. It extends the prohibition of discrimination in federally assisted programs established by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504 to all activities of State and local governments, including those that do not receive Federal

financial assistance, and incorporates specific prohibitions of discrimination on the basis of disability in Titles I, III, and V of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Virginians with Disabilities Act of 1990 follows the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 Section 504.

- **14. Faith Based Organizations.** The Town does not discriminate against faith-based organizations.
- **Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.** By entering this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it does not and will not during the performance of this Contract violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, which prohibits employment of illegal aliens.
- 16. Payment to Subcontractors. Within seven (7) days after receipt of amounts paid by the Town for work performed by a subcontractor under this Agreement, the Contractor shall either: a) pay the subcontractor for the proportionate share of the total payment received from the Town attributable to the work performed by the subcontractor under this Agreement; or b) notify the Town and subcontractor, in writing, of his intention to withhold all or a part of the subcontractor's payment and the reason for non-payment. The Contractor shall pay interest to the subcontractor on all amounts owed that remain unpaid beyond the seven (7) day period except for amounts withheld as allowed in item b. Unless otherwise provided under the terms of this Agreement, interest shall accrue at the rate of one percent (1%) per month. The Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts a provision requiring each subcontractor to include or otherwise be subject to the same payment and interest requirements as set forth above with respect to each lower-tier subcontractor. The Contractor's obligation to pay an interest charge to a subcontractor pursuant to this provision may not be construed to be an obligation of the Town.
- 17. Authority to Transact Business in Virginia. A Contractor organized as a stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, business trust, or limited partnership or registered as a registered limited liability partnership shall be authorized to transact business in the Commonwealth as a domestic or foreign business entity if so required by Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia or as otherwise required by law. Any business entity described herein that enters into an Agreement with the Town pursuant to the Virginia Public Procurement Act 2.2-4300 et seq. shall not allow its existence to lapse or its certificate of authority or registration to transact business in the Commonwealth, if so required under Title 13.1 or Title 50 of the Code of Virginia, to be revoked or cancelled at any time during the term of the Agreement. The Town may void any Agreement with a business entity if the business entity fails to remain in compliance with the provisions of this section.
- 18. <u>Counterparts.</u> This Contract and any amendments or renewals hereto may be executed in a number of counterparts, and each counterpart signature, when taken with the other counterpart signatures, is treated as if executed upon one original of this Contract or any amendment or renewal. A signature by any party to this Contract provided by facsimile or electronic mail is binding upon that party as if it were the original. A wet signature affixed or inserted electronically to this Contract shall be deemed an original signature.

**Ethics in Public Contracting.** The provisions contained in Sections 2.2 4367 through 2.2 4377 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act as set forth in the 1950 Code of Virginia, as amended, shall be applicable to all Contracts solicited or entered into by the Town. A copy of these provisions may be obtained from the Town upon request.

The above-stated provisions supplement, but do not supersede, other provisions of law including, but not limited to, the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act (§ 2.2-3100 et seq.), the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act (§ 18.2 498.1 et seq.) and Articles 2 and 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 18.2. The provisions apply notwithstanding the fact that the conduct described may not constitute a violation of the Virginia State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act.

**Exemption from Taxes.** Pursuant to Va. Code § 58.1-609.1, the Town is exempt from Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes and Federal Excise Tax, therefore the Contractor shall not charge the Town for Virginia State Sales or Use Taxes or Federal Excise Tax on the finished goods or products provided under the Contract. However, this exemption does not apply to the Contractor, and the Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any sales, use, or excise tax it incurs in providing the goods required by the Contract, including, but not limited to, taxes on materials purchased by a Contractor for incorporation in or use on a construction project. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Contract from including its own sales tax expense in connection with the Contract in its Contract price.

# 21. <u>Employment Discrimination by Contractors Prohibited.</u>

- A. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees as follows:
  - 1. The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, disability, status as a service disabled veteran, or any other basis prohibited by state law relating to discrimination in employment, except where there is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
  - 2. The Contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, shall state that such Contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
  - 3. Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient to meet this requirement.
- B. The Contractor will include the provisions of the foregoing paragraphs, 1, 2, and 3 in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

# 22. <u>Drug-free Workplace</u>.

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to (i) provide a drug-free workplace for the Contractor's employees; (ii) post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana is prohibited in the Contractor's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition; (iii) state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor that the Contractor maintains a drug-free workplace; and (iv) include the provisions of the foregoing clauses in every subcontract or purchase order of over \$10,000, so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.

For the purpose of this section, "drug-free workplace" means a site for the performance of work done in connection with a specific contract awarded to a Contractor in accordance with this chapter, the employees of whom are prohibited from engaging in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

- 23. Delays and Delivery Failures. Time is of the essence. The Contractor must keep the Town advised at all times of status of Parties' agreement. If delay is foreseen, the Contractor shall give immediate written notice to Town. Should Contractor fail to deliver the proper item/service at the time and place contracted for, or within a reasonable period of time thereafter as agreed to in writing by the Town, or should the Contractor fail to make a timely replacement of rejected item/service when so required, the Town may purchase item/service of comparable quality and quantity in the open market to replace the undelivered or rejected item/service. The Contractor shall reimburse the Town for all costs in excess of the Contract price when purchases are made in the open market; or, in the even that there is a balance the Town owes to the Contractor from prior transactions, an amount equal to the additional expense incurred by the Town as a result of the Contractor's nonperformance shall be deducted from the balance as payment.
- **24.** <u>Substitutions.</u> No substitutions, additions or cancellations, including those of key personnel, are permitted after Contract award without written approval by the Town. Where specific employees are proposed by the Contractor for work, those employees shall perform the work as long as those employees work for the Contractor, either as employees or subcontractors, unless the Town agrees to substitution. Requests for substitutions shall be reviewed and may be approved by Town at its sole discretion.
- 25. Workmanship and Inspection. All work under this Contract shall be performed in a skillful and workmanlike manner. The Contractor and its employees shall be professional and courteous at all times. The Town reserves the right to require immediate removal of any Contractor employee from Town service it deems unfit for service for any reason, not contrary to law. This right is non-negotiable and the Contractor agrees to this condition by accepting this Contract. Further, the Town may, from time to time, make inspections of the work performed under the Contract. Any inspection by the Town does not relieve the Contractor of any responsibility in meeting the Contract requirements.

**Contractual Disputes.** The Contractor shall give written notice to the Procurement Officer of intent to file a claim for money or other relief within ten (10) calendar days of the occurrence giving rise to the claim or at the beginning of the work upon which the claim is to be based, whichever is earlier.

The Contractor shall submit its invoice for final payment within thirty (30) days after completion or delivery.

The claim, with supporting documentation, shall be submitted to the Procurement Officer by US Mail, courier, or overnight delivery service, no later than sixty (60) days after final payment. If the claim is not disposed of by agreement, the Procurement Officer shall reduce his/her decision to writing and mail or otherwise forward a copy thereof to the Contractor within thirty (30) days of the Town's receipt of the claim.

The Procurement Officer's decision shall be final unless the Contractor appeals within thirty (30) days by submitting a written letter of appeal to the Town Manager, or his designee. The Town Manager shall render a decision within sixty (60) days of receipt of the appeal.

No Contractor shall institute any legal action until all statutory requirements have been met. Each party shall bear its own costs and expenses resulting from any litigation, including attorney's fees.

- **Severability.** In the event that any provision shall be adjudged or decreed to be invalid, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not invalidate the entire Contract but shall pertain only to the provision in question and the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid, binding and in full force and effect.
- **Force Majeure.** A party will not be held responsible for failure to perform the duties and responsibilities imposed by the contract due to legal strikes, fires, civil disobedience, riots, rebellions, acts of God and similar occurrences beyond the control of the party that make performance impossible or illegal, unless otherwise specified in the Contract.

If a party asserts Force Majeure as an excuse for failure to perform the party's obligation, that party must immediately notify the other party giving full particulars of the event of force majeure and the reasons for the event of force majeure preventing that party from, or delaying that party in performing its obligations under this contract and that party must use its reasonable efforts to mitigate the effect of the event of force majeure upon its or their performance of the contract and to fulfill its or their obligations under the contract.

An event of force majeure does not relieve a party from liability for an obligation which arose before the occurrence of that event, nor does that event affect the obligation to pay money in a timely manner which matured prior to the occurrence of that event.

The Contractor has no entitlement and Town has no liability for: (1) any costs, losses, expenses, damages or the payment of any part of the contract price during an event of force majeure; and (2) any delay costs in any way incurred by the Contractor due to an event of force majeure.

**29.** <u>Survival of Terms.</u> Upon discharge of this Contract, Sections 6 (Applicable Laws and Courts), 8 (Audit), 9 (Indemnification), 10 (Notice), 16 (Payment to Subcontractors) and 26 (Contractual Disputes) shall continue and survive in full force and effect.

#### 30. Insurance.

Contractor shall secure at its own expense general liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 solely contained in a Commercial General Liability Policy or in combination with an Umbrella or Excess Policy. Included shall be coverage for Bodily Injury and Property Damage resulting from the operations, products, and completed operations of the Contractor.

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The above-mentioned coverage shall be placed with an insurance carrier licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The carrier must have an AM Best Rating of A or better. A Certificate of Insurance identifying coverage shall be furnished to the Town. The Town of Leesburg shall be named as an additional insured on commercial general liability, umbrella/excess coverage, and automobile coverage. Liability coverage shall contain wording prohibiting cancellation of coverage, failure to renew, or reduction in limit without the insurer first giving 30 days' prior written notice of such action to the Town.

- **Parties' Relationship.** It is the intent of the Parties hereto that the Contractor shall be considered as an independent Contractor and that neither it nor its employees shall, under any circumstances, be considered servants or agents of the Town and that these bodies shall be at no time legally responsible for any negligence on the part of said Contractor, its servants or agents, resulting in either bodily or personal injury or property damage to any individual, firm, or corporation.
- **Ownership of Documents.** Contractor agrees that all information, finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, specifications, records, reports and other material gathered and/or prepared by or for it under the terms of the Contract shall, at the Town's option, be delivered to, become, and remain the property of the Town. The Town shall also have the right to use and reproduce the data and reports submitted hereunder, without additional compensation to the Contractor.
- **Authorization.** Contractor affirms that its signatory below is legally authorized to sign this Contract on its behalf.

In witness whereof, the Parties below execute this Contract as of the date first above written.

TOWN OF LEESBURG, VIRGINIA		[ENTER NAME OF CONTRACTOR]		
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE		AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE		
NAME	Kaj H. Dentler	NAME		
TITLE	Town Manager	TITLE		
DATE		DATE		

# OFFEROR SUBMISSION FORM RFP NO 100129-FY24-33

# SECTION I – COMPANY IDENTIFICATION AND OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE Company\_\_\_ Address Contact Person Title Telephone No. Fax No. Email Organized under the laws of the State of\_\_\_\_\_ State Corp. Commission Registration No. (attach Certificate of Good Standing) List the names and addresses of all persons having ownership of 3% or more in the company: Address The Town of Leesburg requests, as a matter of policy, that any consultant or firm receiving a contract of award resulting from a formal solicitation issued by the Town shall make certification as specified below. Receipt of such certification, must be a prerequisite to the award of contract and payment thereof. SECTION II - EMPLOYEES NOT TO BENEFIT - I (we) hereby certify that if the contract is awarded to our firm, partnership, or corporation, that no employee of the Town of Leesburg, or members of his/her immediate family, including spouse, parents or children has received or been promised, directly or indirectly, any financial benefit, by way of fee, commission, finder's fee, political contribution or any similar form of remuneration on account of the act of awarding and/or executing this contract. SECTION III - CONFLICTS OF INTEREST - This solicitation is subject to the provisions of VA Code Ann. Section 2.1-639.2 et seq., the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act. The Supplier [ ] is [ ] is not aware of any information bearing on the existence of any potential organizational conflict of interest. Suppliers must select one or the other (not both) by inserting a checkmark $(\Box)$ or the letter "X". SECTION IV - COLLUSION - I certify that this offer is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting an offer for the same services, materials, supplies, or equipment and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand collusive bidding is a violation of the State and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards. I hereby certify that the responses to the above representations, certifications, and other statements are accurate and complete. I agree to abide by all conditions of this RFP and certify that I am authorized to sign for my company. Signature Name (Printed)

OFFEROR MUST RETURN THIS FORM WITH THEIR PROPOSAL

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

Offeror acknowledges recepreparation of this proposa	ript of the following ADDENDA, which have been considered:	d in the
No	Dated:	

# **REFERENCE FORM**

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Offeror must have the capability and capacity in all respects to fully satisfy the contractual requirements. Provide at least three (3) accounts, preferably governmental, that your firm has provided similar goods and/or services to in the past five (5) years. (*Please print or type*)

FIRM NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
CONTACT PERSON:	TITLE:	
PHONE NO:	EMAIL ADDRESS:	
SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED: _		
FIRM NAME:		
ADDRESS:	TITLE:EMAIL ADDRESS:	
CONTACT PERSON:	TITLE:	
PHONE NO:	EMAIL ADDRESS:	
SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED: _		
FIRM NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
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CONTACT PERSON:	TITLE:	
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SCOPE OF SERVICES PROVIDED: _		
FIRM NAME:		
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ADDRESS:		

# PRICING FORM RFP NO. 100129-FY24-33

# AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE/BRAILLE/LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION AND TRANSLATION SERVICES

Item No.	Description of Service	Estimated Quantity (annually)	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Extended Price (Est. Quantity x Unit Price)
1	In Person ASL Interpretation	300	hours	\$	\$
2	Video Remote Interpretation for ASL	1,500	minutes	\$	\$
3	In-Person Foreign Language Interpretation	600	hours	\$	\$
4	Video Remote Foreign Language Interpretation	1,500	minutes	\$	\$
5	Telephone Foreign Language Interpretation	3,000	minutes	\$	\$
6	Foreign Language Written Translation	5,000	words	\$	\$
7	Braille Translation	1	page	\$	\$
8	508 Compliance Review and Remediation	1	page	\$	\$
9	Cancellation Fee for In-Person Assignments	1	each	\$	\$
10	Minimum Fee for In-Person Assignments	1	each	\$	\$
TOTAL PROPOSED PRICE (SUM OF EXTENDED PRICES OF ITEMS 1 – 10) \$					
Instructions to Offerors:					
Proposals must be sealed with appropriate markings on the outside of the envelope or container. Complete all items or your proposal may not be considered. Subject to terms and conditions contained in the Request for Proposal.					
Offeror guarantees product or services offered will meet or exceed specifications identified in this Request for Proposal, subject to all conditions stated herein.					
Proposed prices must include all labor, supervision, tools, equipment, transportation (including fuel, tolls, etc.), permit and licenses, and management to perform the services as stated herein.					
By: Date:					

Quantities listed are for proposals purposes only. Actual quantities may be higher or lower than estimated quantities and may be none. Invoices shall be only for the quantities actually ordered and provided.