



**CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY (“CHA”)
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (“RFQ”) EVENT NO. 3305 (2025)
for
ARCHITECT AND ENGINEERING PRE-QUALIFIED POOL**

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ISSUED ON: Day, Thursday, September 11, 2025
ISSUED BY: DEPARTMENT OF PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS

PROPOSALS DEADLINE:
Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 1:00 P.M., CT

Proposals may be submitted early but must be received electronically no later than the date and time listed in the solicitation.

PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DUE DATE AND TIME

Respondent Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Telephone: _____

Contact Email: _____

This selection process is unique to the Scope of Work described herein and notwithstanding any other proposal, qualification or bid requests provided by the Chicago Housing Authority. Proposers must comply with the requirements as defined in this RFQ.

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Operating Chairman

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KEY INFORMATION

1. **RESPONDENT CONTACT WITH CHA:** The Procurement Specialist identified below is the *sole point of contact* regarding this RFQ from the date of issuance until selection of the successful proposer(s).

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Responses shall be submitted via the Supplier Portal at <https://supplier.thecha.org> no later than **Tuesday, October, 14, 2025 by 1:00 PM, CST**.

The Proposer shall be responsible for electronic submission by the due date and time. Late proposals will not be accepted.

An **in-person** pre-proposal conference is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 23, 2025**, at 10:00 a.m. CST to discuss the scope of services and the CHA contract requirements. The meeting address is 60 E. Van Buren Conference Rooms 736 B-C. In order to participate onsite, you will need to **RSVP by Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.**, CST with David Martin, Sr. Procurement Specialist **via email at DPMartin@thecha.org**. Please submit your Company Name, Your Name and email address confirming reservation.

The Letter of Intent to Submit a Proposal, Attachment A, is due **Wednesday, October 1, 2025**, at 11:00 a.m. CST. The Letter of Intent to Submit a Proposal, Attachment A must be submitted via the Supplier Portal at <https://supplier.thecha.org>.

If you do not intend to submit a proposal in response to this RFQ, please submit via the Supplier Portal at <https://supplier.thecha.org>, a brief explanation in order to continue to receive future bid/RFQ notices.

Questions regarding clarification or verification of these specifications and CHA contract requirements must be submitted via the Supplier Portal at <https://supplier.thecha.org>. no later than **Monday, September 29, 2025 by 10:00 AM, CT**.

Electronic Submission: CHA requires Respondents to submit an electronic proposal for the above-described Event. Respondent shall upload all documents via the CHA Supplier Portal at: <https://supplier.thecha.org>. Electronic proposal submission requires only one (1) copy. Each submittal section of the electronic proposal shall be labeled and separated into a different file as described in "ARTICLE V Submittal Requirements."

Note: There is no maximum file capacity size when uploading attachments in the Supplier Portal. If you receive an error message that states the "Maximum size is: 50" while uploading an attachment in the Supplier Portal, that error message is referring to the file naming size. The name of your file cannot be more than 50 characters. For questions or assistance with the Supplier Portal, please contact Mauricio Beltran, Senior Procurement Specialist, at 312-786-3391, MBeltran@thecha.org. **Respondent shall bear all costs of responding to this solicitation.**

PREQUALIFICATION GROUP SUMMARY

RESPONDENT CATEGORY OF SERVICE SELECTION

Respondents may select one or more of the following Categories of Service to signify their interest in serving as a prime consultant in that category. The CHA will assign Selected Respondents to a category of service during the evaluation process based on their categories of interest identified on this form.

INDICATE BELOW THE CATEGORY OF SERVICE FOR WHICH PROPOSAL IS BEING SUBMITTED

- Architectural Design: Licensed architect serving as prime consultant with sub-consultants as required.
- Civil Engineering, Landscaping Design: Licensed civil engineer / licensed landscape architect serving as prime consultant.
- Structural Engineering: Licensed structural engineer serving as prime consultant
- Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Information Technology Engineering: Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Communications (Audio, Audio Visual, low voltage) Engineering: Licensed Professional Engineer serving as prime consultant.
- Facility Needs Assessment: Licensed Professional to perform assessments as prime consultant.
- Vertical Transportation Consultant: Licensed Professional serving as prime consultant.
- Sustainability Consultant: Licensed Professional serving as a prime consultant.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE AND DATE

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

Name of Company

ARTICLE I INTRODUCTION

CHA is the third largest public housing authority in the nation and the largest single owner of rental housing in Chicago. Through its public housing and voucher programs, CHA serves 135,000 people in over 65,000 households across all 77 of Chicago's community areas. CHA's mission is to create and sustain strong communities where seniors thrive and everyone can unlock their economic power, ensuring that every neighborhood in Chicago has quality affordable housing and everyone feels welcome.

In its procurement of its goods and services, CHA seeks relationships with vendors who share our values for inclusive and equitable contracting opportunities. CHA strives to be fair, transparent, and practical, and works to optimize the use of public funds through purchasing decisions. For more information, visit www.thecha.org.

ARTICLE II INTENT AND PURPOSE

The purpose of this Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") is to solicit qualifications from Professional Design Firms to assist the CHA on projects across the agencies properties. Respondents are requested to submit qualifications for one or more of the Categories of Service as identified below:

1. Architectural Design: Licensed architect, serving as prime consultant, with sub-consultants as required.
2. Civil Engineering, Landscape Design: Licensed civil engineer / licensed landscape architect, serving as prime consultant.
3. Structural Engineering: Licensed structural engineer, serving as prime consultant.
4. Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Information Technology Engineering, Communications (Audio, Audio Visual, low voltage): Licensed Professional Engineer, serving as prime consultant.
5. Facility Needs Assessment: Licensed Professional perform assessments as prime consultant
6. Vertical Transportation Consultant: Licensed Professional serving as prime consultant.
7. Sustainability Consultant: Licensed Professional serving as a prime consultant.

CHA has identified a multi-year capital improvement program which includes projects at all its various properties, including family housing, senior housing, scattered site housing and specialty, non-housing. To assist the CHA in the design and construction of Projects identified in the capital improvement program, groups of Professional Design Firms, per the Categories of Service identified above, will be established. Individual Projects will then be assigned based on the processes identified in Article III.

CHA anticipates it will award a minimum of five Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contracts in each of the Categories of Services listed above. Respondents may be assigned to more than one Category of Service.

CHA anticipates it will award multiple Contracts for a base period of three (3) years and reserves the right to extend the Contract at its sole discretion, for up to two (2) additional one-year option periods. No award will be made to a Respondent that is on the list of Contractors ineligible to receive awards from CHA or the Federal Government, as furnished from time to time by HUD. CHA anticipates the contract resulting from this RFQ to begin in March 2026.

The performance of the AOR will be evaluated at the conclusion of each project and reviewed annually. AORs with consistently poor performance, as documented in performance evaluations conducted at the completion of a project, may not be considered for renewal. All AORs are required to provide price proposals upon request. Failure to submit two price proposals, without reasonable cause, may result in contract termination.

ARTICLE III STATEMENT OF WORK/SCOPE OF SERVICES

A. Scope of Services

The Selected Respondents are expected to perform the following scope of services to assist the CHA in the design, construction documentation, administration and close-out of the Project.

1. Schematic Design Phase:

- a. Attend the Project Kick-Off Meeting to review and discuss the goals of the Project; including the scope, schedule and budget;
- b. Review all existing historic documents and information provided by the CHA;
- c. Procure a site survey, if required;
- d. Obtain information on existing site utilities, if required, from the City of Chicago Office of Underground Coordination;
- e. Procure a geotechnical survey of the property, if required, for developing storm water best management practices;
- f. Conduct and prepare a preliminary code analysis package, including, but not limited to, the following components: Occupancy classification, construction type, occupant load by area and floor, travel distances, accessibility, exit types, units, and widths, plumbing fixture counts, parking requirements, fire resistance requirements;
- g. If Required conduct a sustainable design workshop, to develop a preliminary checklist for the Project;
- h. Prepare and present the design options for the Project for review by the CHA;
- i. Prepare the plans, elevations, sections, outline specifications and narratives, as required, to describe the applicable disciplines including, but not limited to architectural, structural, civil, landscape, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection and technology aspects of the selected design option, to assist the CHA in its development of an Independent Cost Estimate at 100% completion;
- j. Submit Schematic Design Documents at 100% completion to the CHA for review; and
- k. Review and comment on the Independent Cost Estimate, prepared by the CHA, and make recommendations for potential cost reduction strategies.

2. Design Development Phase:

- a. Conduct and document preliminary reviews with required regulatory agencies, including, but not limited to, Bureau of Fire Prevention, Chicago Department of Transportation, Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities, and Office of Emergency Management and Communications;
- b. Update the code analysis package, including, but not limited to, the following components: Occupancy classification, construction type,

occupant load by area and floor, travel distances, accessibility, exit types, units, and widths, plumbing fixture counts, parking requirements, fire resistance requirements;

- c. If required update the checklist, for the Project;
- d. Prepare the plans, elevations, sections, outline specifications and narratives, as required, to describe the applicable disciplines including, but not limited to, architectural, structural, civil, landscape, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection and technology aspects of the selected design option, to assist the CHA in its development of an Independent Cost Estimate at 100% completion;
- e. Submit Design Development Documents at 100% completion to the CHA for review; and
- f. Review and comment on the Independent Cost Estimate, prepared by the CHA, and make recommendations for potential cost reduction strategies.

3. Construction Documentation Phase:

- a. Finalize the code analysis package, including, but not limited to, the following components:
Occupancy classification, construction type, occupant load by area and floor, travel distances, accessibility, exit types, units, and widths, plumbing fixture counts, parking requirements, fire resistance requirements;
- b. If required finalize the sustainability checklist, for the Project;
- c. If required, prepare the submittal for the sustainability certification;
- d. Prepare the Construction Documents, as required, to describe the applicable disciplines including, but not limited to, architectural, structural, civil, landscape, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection and technology aspects of the selected design option, to assist the CHA in its development of an Independent Cost Estimate at 60%, 90%, and 100% completion;
- e. Submit the Construction Documents at 60%, 90%, and 100% completion to the CHA for review; and
- f. Review and comment on the Independent Cost Estimate, prepared by the CHA, and make recommendations for potential cost reduction strategies.

4. Construction Bidding and Administration Phase:

- a. Respond to Requests for Information (RFIs) including developing drawings and clarifications to be issued to potential bidders as necessary;
- b. Assist in the preparation of any addenda prior to bid submission date;
- c. Attend pre-bid conference(s);
- d. Attend public bid opening;
- e. Assist in the analysis of all bids including the analysis of CSI division costs and construction schedules;
- f. Attend pre-award conference; and
- g. Revise drawings and/or scope as necessary to achieve construction goals and budget.

5. Construction Administration Phase:

- a. Participate in pre-construction conference(s) as requested by CHA;
- b. Attend dispute resolution conferences when requested by CHA;
- c. Attend weekly Project meetings regarding the progress of the work as requested by CHA;

- d. Conduct weekly site visits to monitor the quality and progress of the contract work;
- e. Review and approve contractor's shop drawings and other submittals for conformance to the requirements of the construction contract;
- f. Procure and oversee testing by qualified parties as necessary and as directed by CHA;
- g. Submit a weekly written field report of work in progress and overall construction status;
- h. Review, approve and certify all contractor's periodic (and final) requests for payment within 10 days of receipt;
- i. Convene weekly job site meetings and record all actions discussed during such meetings in the form of written minutes;
- j. Revise drawings to correct errors, clarify intent or to accommodate change orders;
- k. Revise drawings to obtain building permits and to achieve all other requirements dictated by any governmental authority or agency having jurisdiction over the Project;
- l. Recommend solutions to special problems or special conditions encountered during construction;
- m. Notify CHA of any defects or deficiencies discovered in the work within five (5) calendar days of discovery;
- n. Notify CHA in writing of any matter of dispute with the contractor within five (5) calendar days of notice of such dispute;
- o. Prepare a set of record drawings within thirty (30) calendar days after the date of substantial completion;
- p. Attend all pay request and construction meetings; and
- q. Promptly respond to all RFIs within five (5) days of receipt and prepare bulletins for contractor pricing of any potential change orders.

6. Close-Out Phase:

- a. Receive and certify that the contractor's (bound) operation and maintenance manuals comply with the requirements of the construction contract;
- b. Verify that all required equipment warranties and test reports meet the design requirements and that they are included in the contractor's bound operating and maintenance manuals;
- c. Receive and certify that the written warranties of workmanship and system operation provided by the contractor and their sub-contractors (or any other vendor material guarantees) are complete and in compliance with the construction contract requirements;
- d. Receive and certify that the contractor has secured all inspection sign-offs on the permits covering the work;
- e. Prepare and submit electronic and hard copy record drawings within thirty (30) days after the commencement of the Close-out Phase; and
- f. Comply with all other terms and conditions of the CHA's printed close-out instructions as contained in the contractor's construction contract.

7. Post Completion / Warranty Phase:

- a. Consult with the CHA and make recommendations regarding all equipment and warranties;

- b. Perform an Inspection of the contract work including materials, systems, and equipment no sooner than the ninth month and no later than the end of the tenth month after formal completion of the construction contract and submit a written report to CHA regarding the same; and
- c. Advise and assist CHA in construction matters for a period of twelve (12) months after completion of the Project.

B. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The following tasks may be included as an additional service to the Design Services Contract.

1. Changes in scope of work as directed by the CHA
2. An increase in the duration of the Construction Administration Phase due to an extension of the anticipated construction schedule; and
3. Participation on CHA's Capital Construction Standards Committee.

C. REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

The following expenses will be reimbursed by the CHA without markup:

1. Site survey
2. Geotechnical survey
3. Water testing for lead
4. Rodding, jetting, and video scoping of existing roof drain and sanitary plumbing lines to city sewer main
5. Destructive/un-destructive testing
6. Printing of Design Documents required for CHA review (quantity to be determined by CHA project manager)
7. Printing of Construction Documents, at 60% and 90% completion, required for CHA review (quantity to be determined by CHA project manager)
8. Printing of Construction Documents, at 100% completion, required for CHA to bid (quantity to be determined by CHA project manager)
9. Fees associated with the Project's sustainability certification
10. Record Drawings (quantity to be determined by CHA project manager)
11. Messenger and transport services used to transmit any project-related information

ARTICLE IV GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

A. Acceptance of Proposals

Proposals in response to this RFQ must be received (electronically) through the CHA Supplier Portal. Proposals must be received electronically no later than the **date and time** listed in the solicitation. **Proposals submitted after the designated date and time will not be accepted for any reason.**

CHA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, issue addenda, or to waive any informalities. A Respondent whose proposal fails to fully comply with the requirements of the RFQ may be determined to be nonresponsive and excluded from further consideration.

B. Time for Receiving Proposals

Proposals received prior to the due date and time will be maintained in a secure place, unopened. No proposal received after the deadline set forth on the cover page of this RFQ will be considered. Proposals will not be publicly opened. Once submitted, proposals will become the property of CHA.

C. Right To Cancel

CHA reserves the right to cancel this procurement process whenever the best interest of CHA is served. CHA shall not be liable for costs incurred by Respondents associated with this procurement process.

D. Addenda

Any interpretations, corrections, or changes to the RFQ will be made by addenda issued by CHA. Any addenda that are issued will be provided to prospective Respondents, posted on the CHA's Supplier Portal at: <https://supplier.thecha.org>, and noticed on the CHA website. It is the responsibility of the Respondent to inquire of the issuance of any addenda. Respondents shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda in the cover letter of the response. If CHA determines this RFQ should be modified, it will inform all prospective Respondents by distributing addendum/addenda to this RFQ before the date set for receipt of proposals.

E. False Statements

Any false statement(s) made by the Respondent (s) will void the response and eliminate the Respondent(s) from further consideration.

F. Withdrawal of Proposals

Proposals may be withdrawn by written request by the Respondent. A written withdrawal of a Proposal must be received, prior to the time set for opening of Proposals. A Respondent's negligence in preparing a Proposal creates no right of withdrawal or modification after the date and time set for opening of the Proposals.

G. Award of Contracts

CHA may award one or more Contracts according to the Evaluation Criteria contained in this RFQ to responsible and responsive respondents, provided their Proposals are in the best interest of CHA. The Selected Respondent(s) will be notified at the earliest practical date. Each award may be subject to HUD approval. No award may be made to a contractor or firm that is on the list of contractors ineligible to receive awards from CHA or the United States, as furnished by HUD.

CHA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and reserves the right to secure services solicited by this RFQ by means of a non-competitive procurement in accordance with §2 CFR 200.320 (c) or to re-solicit competitive proposals.

H. Notice of Contract Award

Unsuccessful Respondents will be notified in writing after an award of contract has been made by the Contracting Officer and/or Board approval, if required.

I. Right to Protest

In accordance with CHA's Procurement Protest Procedures (copies may be obtained by contacting the department of Procurement and Contracts), all protests regarding this solicitation document must be filed no later than five (5) business days before the due date for proposals. All other protests regarding the evaluation of proposals or award of contract by the Authority must be filed no later than ten (10) business days after the notice of contract award. Any protest filed after such date will not be considered.

J. Preparatory Costs

All costs incurred in the preparation and presentation of Proposals shall be wholly borne by each Respondent. All supporting documentation and manuals submitted with each Proposal will become the property of CHA unless otherwise indicated by the Respondent at the time of submission. CHA is not liable for any costs incurred by any Respondent prior to issuance of a Notice to Proceed.

K. Confidential Material

Any material submitted by a Respondent as part of a proposal that is to be considered confidential must be clearly marked as such but may be subject to disclosure under applicable law.

L. Subcontract / Sub consultants

All subcontractors proposed to be used under the Contract must be identified within the proposal. If the proposed services include the use of subcontractors, CHA will hold the prime contractor responsible for the proposed services to be provided by the subcontractors.

M. Minimum Wage Requirements

Any award under this solicitation shall be subject to the current local minimum wage requirement and prevailing wage determination for CHA. The minimum wage requirements shall be specifically incorporated as a contractual requirement in any award and agreement resulting from this solicitation for any of the Selected Respondent's covered employees. The Respondent must take the minimum wage requirement and prevailing wage determination for CHA into consideration in determining its staffing plan for services to be performed or provided by the Respondent under its fee proposal and other submittals. Note that Federal wage determinations (either Davis-Bacon or HUD-Determined Wage Rates) preempt any conflicting State prevailing wage rate or the minimum wage requirement when the State prevailing wage rate or the minimum wage requirement is higher than the Federally imposed wage rate (24 CFR 965.101).

N. Disclosure Certification

The Contractor shall be required to make the following certification, which is included in the Contractor's Affidavit, a required submittal to be executed and notarized.

The Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that it, its principals and any subcontractors used in the performance of this contract, meet the Agency requirements and have not violated any City or sister agency policy, codes, state, federal, or local laws, rules or regulations and have not been subject to any debarment, suspension or other disciplinary action by any government agency. Additionally, if at any time the contractor becomes aware of such information, it must immediately disclose it to the Agency.

The recommended firm(s) will be required to disclose the following information at the appropriate time during the solicitation process: Vendors' other business relationships including but not limited to: Board affiliations, positions or board memberships with all other non-profit, government and other Chicago businesses.

O. Disqualify for Conflict of Interest

CHA reserves the right to disqualify any Respondent on the basis of any real or apparent conflict of interest that is disclosed by the proposal submitted or any other data available to CHA. This disqualification is at the sole discretion of CHA. Any Respondent submitting a proposal herein waives any right to object to such disqualification now or at any future time, before any body or agency, including but not limited to, the Board of Commissioners, City Council of the City of Chicago, Mayor's Office of Chicago or any company.

P. Participation by other Local Government Agencies

Other local government agencies ("Local Government Agencies") may be eligible to purchase Services pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Contract if such agencies are authorized, by law or their governing bodies, to execute such purchases, and if such authorization is allowed by the Chicago Housing Authority Contracting Officer, and if such purchases have no significant net adverse effect on CHA and result in no observed diminished ability on the Bidder to provide the Services to CHA or user departments pursuant to such purchases. Local Government Agencies shall include without limitation: City of Chicago, Chicago Park District, Chicago Public Schools, Chicago Transit Authority, City Colleges of Chicago. All purchases and payment transactions shall be made directly between the Bidder and the requesting Local Government Agency; CHA shall not be responsible for payment of any amounts owed by any Local Government Agency to Bidder. CHA assumes no authority, liability or obligation on behalf of any Local Government Authority.

Q. Bribery, Price Fixing, or Fraud

No person or business entity shall be awarded a contract or subcontract for a period of five years from the date of conviction or entry of a plea or admission of guilt, if that person or business entity:

1. has been convicted of an act committed of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of a unit of state or local government or school district in that officer's or employee's official capacity; or
2. has been convicted of an act of bid-rigging or attempting to rig bids as defined in the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. §1 et seq.), or under the laws of the State of Illinois; or has been convicted of an act of price-fixing or attempting to fix prices as defined by the Sherman Anti-Trust Act (15 U.S.C. §1 et seq.) or under the laws of the State of Illinois; or
3. has been convicted of defrauding or attempting to defraud any unit of state or local government or school district; or
4. has made an admission of guilt of such conduct as set forth in subparagraph 1 through 3 above, which admission is a matter of record, whether or not such person or business entity was subject to prosecution for the offense or offense admitted to; or
5. has entered into a plea of nolo contendere to charges of such conduct, as is set forth in subparagraphs 1 through 3 above.

For purpose of the Paragraph, “business entity” means a corporation, partnership, trust, association, unincorporated business or individually owned business. Where an official, agent or employee of a business entity committed the acts as set forth in subparagraphs 1 through 5 above on behalf of such entity and pursuant to the direction or authorization of a responsible official thereof, the business entity shall be chargeable with the conduct and be disqualified.

A business entity shall also be disqualified if it employs as an officer any individual who was an officer of another business entity at the time the latter committed a disqualifying act as set forth in subparagraphs 1 through 5 above.

A business entity shall also be disqualified if any owner directly or indirectly controls 20% or more of the business entity and was an owner who directly or indirectly controlled 20% of another business entity at the time, such business entity committed a disqualifying act as set forth in subparagraphs 1 through 3 above.

Any contract found to have been awarded in violation of this Paragraph may be voided at the discretion of CHA.

ARTICLE V SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

A. Format

Respondents shall present their proposals as a firm offer which, if accepted by CHA in its entirety, shall be binding between the parties. Electronic responses submitted via the CHA Supplier Portal at <https://supplier.thecha.org> only require one (1) complete proposal. The Respondents must also include an indexed version of each submittal section of the electronic proposal shall be formatted, labeled and separated into a different file.

Note: There is no maximum file capacity size when uploading attachments in the Supplier Portal. *If you receive an error message that states the “Maximum size is: 50” while uploading an attachment in the Supplier Portal, that error message is referring to the file naming size. The name of your file cannot be more than 50 characters.*

Proposals not containing all the submittal requirements (See Attachment C – Vendor Submission Checklist) may be deemed non-responsive to this RFQ.

B. Cover Letter and Executive Summary Form

A cover letter shall be submitted on the Respondent’s letterhead, signed by a principal and the joint venture partner, if applicable. The cover letter must contain a plan explaining how services will be performed; a commitment to provide the services described in the Scope of Services of this RFQ; and indicate that the offer is good for one hundred-eighty (180) days from submittal of proposal. In the cover letter, the Respondent shall also include an acknowledgement that the Respondent has read and understands the requirements of the RFQ including, but not limited to, the terms and conditions of the attached Professional Services Agreement (refer to Article IX), CHA’s contract Requirements s, Insurance and Indemnification requirements, and will comply with these requirements if awarded a contract. Proposers and Bidders shall also include the Executive Summary Form (Article X).

C. Qualifications and Experience

1. The Respondent shall submit evidence of the firm's ability to perform the work, as indicated by profiles of the principals and a description of the staff's professional and technical competence, for those principals and staff members who will be involved in the work requested herein. Evidence provided shall include proof of all licenses and certifications required to provide Architect and Engineering services within the City of Chicago.
2. The Respondent must describe its qualifications, resources and experience as it pertains to the requested services. The Respondent must demonstrate it has the experience and capacity to complete all of the required services, whether they are conducted at the same time or separately.
 - Credentials
 - i. Respondent must submit the appropriate licenses:
 - Firm's Business License
 - Firm's Design License
 - Proposed Team Members' Professional Licenses (if applicable)
 - Proposed Team Members' Professional Certificates (if applicable)
3. Respondent's proposal **shall** include the following information: (1) the legal name of the firm, (2) a description of the primary area of expertise of the firm, (3) the names of the firm's principal(s), (4) the address, telephone number and names of individuals to be contacted, (5) the size of the enterprise, (6) all of the firm's registration/license numbers(s) in Illinois, (7) the length of time the firm has worked in its area of expertise generally, and in Illinois if different for a different length of time, and (8) the firm may submit a general brochure of their work.

D. Approach/Work Plan

The Respondent must provide a narrative describing its approach to the Scope of Services and Statement of Work including, but not limited to, project management systems to be utilized, plans for effective communications including reporting tools, and specific approaches to technical problems that may lead to cost savings for the CHA. At a minimum, Respondents should address the information outlined below:

1. The Respondent shall clearly articulate in the work plan how it will provide the required Services as outlined in the Scope of Services. Joint ventures shall clearly identify in the work plan the roles and responsibilities of each party to the joint venture.
2. The Respondent shall demonstrate in the approach/work plan that it understands the Scope of Services and all tasks required to complete the Services.
3. The Respondent shall demonstrate in the work plan its plan to integrate CHA staff into its overall strategy to perform the Scope of Services.

E. Work History with CHA and other Local Public Agencies

Respondent must list and briefly describe any past work history with CHA and other Local Public Agencies, including the specific project worked on or the specific products delivered to CHA. The project descriptions shall include, at a minimum, the scope of work performed, the location, dollar

value, and list the Respondent's key personnel on the project. For each project listed, the Respondent shall provide the client's name, the contact person and their title, address and phone number. Indicate **N/A** if Respondent does not have any work history with CHA and other Local Public Agencies.

F. Past Performance

Respondents shall submit information, specific to the selected Category or Categories of Service, identifying five (5) Projects completed over the last five (5) years. For each Project, include the following information:

1. Name
2. Location
3. Client Contact Information (name, title address and phone number)
4. Organization Structure and Key personnel (including sub-consultants)
5. Scope Description
6. Schedule Milestones
7. Budget
8. Completed Images
9. Knowledge of local building codes and Federal building Alteration requirements

G. References

Proposers are required to provide at least three (3) references, excluding CHA, from within the past three (3) years for projects and areas of responsibility similar to those the Respondent desires to provide herein. Please include company name, contact person, mailing address, telephone number and email address. Please include a brief but detailed explanation of services provided and submit with your proposal. CHA will email any questions to the references included in your submission. Please inform your references that they will be contacted by CHA. (Attachment D)

H. Organization Structure and Key Personnel

1. The Respondent must provide the name and resume of the program executive that will be accountable for the CHA project. Key Personnel shall not be replaced without the prior written approval of CHA.
2. The Respondent must provide an organization/structure chart and include its key technical and consulting personnel who will be assigned to the CHA project team along with their resumes and provide the following information including, but not limited to:
 - i. Detail concerning each primary team member working with the Respondent, as well as those working in a subcontracting capacity. List all current projects that each primary team member may be working on during the term of the Contract, and indicate which team member will have primary responsibility for the CHA account;
 - ii. Correlation of team members to the tasks each will be performing;

- iii. Describe previous, related experiences and projects (preferably public housing); and
 - iv. If Respondent proposes staff to work on the CHA account who are not located in a Chicago area office (within 25 miles of the city), indicate their office location.
3. If a Respondent is planning to joint venture or subcontract with other companies, incorporate the relationship on the organization chart and provide letters of interest from those firms, the names and credentials of their principals and key personnel, and include their resumes along with evidence of any required licenses. The Respondent should describe the roles and responsibilities of their subcontractors, including the key personnel as they relate to the Scope of Services for this RFQ.

I. Insurance Requirements

The Respondent must submit a current certificate of insurance in the form required by this RFQ. At the time of contract award, the Selected Respondent shall be required to provide an updated certificate of insurance, and all required endorsements adding CHA and any other required party as an additional insured, meeting the CHA's minimum insurance requirements.

J. Joint Venture Agreement

Firms entering into a joint venture must submit a copy of its joint venture agreement and all required submittals must be signed by a principal of each joint venture partner including, but not limited to, subcontractors' information submittals, and MBE/WBE/DBE and Section 3 Utilization Plans. Indicate **N/A** if Respondent will not be part of a joint venture agreement.

K. Liens, Suits, Disputes, Defaults and Judgments

Respondents shall include a detailed description of any disputes they currently are involved in, as well as, a complete list of any lawsuits, disputes, defaults and judgments occurring within the last five (5) years, and all current liens, lawsuits, disputes, defaults, and judgments pending including Fair Housing claims, regulatory or tax credit violations. Indicate N/A if Respondent does not have any disputes, lawsuits, judgments, disputes, defaults or liens described above.

L. Audit Findings and Other Compliance Reports/Evaluations

Respondents shall submit to CHA's Department of Procurement and Contracts any third party reports or evaluations of Respondent's compliance with any applicable laws, rules, regulations, policies procedures, contract provisions, or requirements with respect to Respondent's performance of services similar in nature to those being solicited by this RFQ in the past five years, including, but not limited to, any and all final findings made by an Office of the Inspector General ("OIG") or Internal Auditor (including those conducted by CHA's Inspector General and/or CHA's Internal Auditor) with respect to Respondent's performance of services, compliance with terms of a contract, findings in an Administrative or Internal Investigation, or any findings of failure to cooperate in an OIG inquiry or with Internal Auditors. Indicate **N/A** if Respondent does not have any findings described above.

M. Debarment Statement

Respondent shall submit a statement that the Respondent, its joint venture partner, if applicable, its subcontractors, vendors and staff are not debarred, suspended or otherwise prohibited from conducting business with any Federal, State or local agency.

N. Economic Disclosure Statement

Respondents must complete the economic disclosure statement and affidavit. The economic disclosure forms must be completed by the Respondent and all subcontractors in its entirety and notarized. Privately held firms and not-for-profit organizations must disclose the board of directors/corporate officers. All firms must disclose the percentage of ownership. Failure to provide complete ownership information may cause your response to be deemed non-responsive.

O. Financial Information

The Respondent/Financially Responsible Party shall demonstrate its financial responsibility by submitting the most recent two years of audited, reviewed or compiled financial statements prepared by a third party licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA). Listed below are the minimum acceptable required documents based upon the amount of the procurement:

The Respondent must provide Financial Statements, which are compiled, reviewed and/or audited as defined below (which may be subject to different levels depending upon the Respondent's proposal and the projected contract value of the award), and which consist of:

- Accountant's Report
- Balance Sheet (last 2 years)
- Income Statement (last 2 years)
- Cash Flow Statement (last 2 years)
- Financial Statement Footnotes (if applicable)

For proposals or contracts awards valued at less than \$500,000, the Respondent must provide the IRS tax transcript.

For proposals or contract awards valued at less than \$1,000,000 the Respondent must provide complied financial statements.

For proposals or contract awards valued at less than \$2,500,000.00, the Respondent must provide reviewed financial statements.

For proposals or contract awards valued in excess of \$2,500,000.00, the Respondent must provide audited financial statements.

CHA will also evaluate the respondents based upon analysis of third-party reporting agencies, regulatory agencies, bureaus, etc., as it deems necessary to determine the financial adequacy of the respondent entity and confirm that the entity is in good financial standing with governmental agencies.

Other considerations in the evaluation of the financial condition of Respondents follow:

- Financial statements must be from a legal business entity (i.e., corporation, partnership, LLC, etc.). The entity name and address listed on the Financial Report should match the address on file with Dun & Bradstreet report in order for CHA to perform financial review.
- If respondent is not able to provide the Financials 6 months after their fiscal year end, respondents should provide the reason for delay or non-completion.
- Newly created entities (partnerships, LLC's, etc.) must provide financial statements from the entity's general partner and/or any other financially responsible entity that collectively can demonstrate the capability to complete the contract.
- Internally prepared business entity financial reports generated by the respondent will not be accepted.
- Personal financial statements or tax returns will not be accepted.
- CHA reserves the right to request Dun & Bradstreet reports in order to make an award determination. Vendors must provide the address on file with Dun & Bradstreet if it differs from the address listed on the proposal.
- CHA reserves the right to request additional information to complete the financial evaluation and review of any respondents.

P. Vendor Submission Checklist

Refer to Attachment B for all required submittal requirements. The following documents are exhibits to this RFQ and can be found at www.thecha.org/doing-business:

- A. Contract Compliance Certification
- B. Letter of Intent-MWDBE and Section 3 Subs
- C. Waiver Request-M/W/DBE (If Applicable)
- D. Submittal Requirements Checklist
- E. Contractor's Affidavit
- F. Statement of Bidder's Qualification
- G. Economic Disclosure Statement
- H. HUD Form 5370 or 5370-C

Proposals not containing all submittal requirements may be deemed Non-Responsive.

ARTICLE VI INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Insurance is applicable to All Contracts as approved by CHA Risk Management.

Prior to the commencement of this Agreement, the Vendor shall procure and maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement insurance against claims for bodily injury or property damage which may arise from or in connection with services performed under this Agreement and from the negligent acts, omissions and errors of the Vendor, its officers, agents, representatives or employees. The insurance carriers used must be authorized to conduct business in the State of Illinois and shall have an A.M. Best rating of not less than A: VII.

Minimum Coverage and Limit Requirements

1. **Commercial General Liability:** General Liability Insurance on an occurrence basis with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence with an aggregate of not less than \$2,000,000 covering bodily injury and property damage. This coverage shall also include,

but not be limited to, contractual liability, products and completed operations, personal and advertising injury.

2. **Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability:** Coverage must be in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois and include a waiver of subrogation in favor of Chicago Housing Authority.
 - o Coverage A – Statutory Limits
 - o Coverage B - Employers Liability - \$500,000 bodily injury or disease each accident; each employee
3. **Auto Liability:** Required when any vehicles (owned, hired and/or non-owned) are used in connection with the Services to be performed, coverage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage.
4. **Professional Liability:** Coverage is required when services are performed by licensed professionals and/or Scope involves performing any financial, auditing, consulting, design, engineering, surveying, testing, or other professional services. Professional Liability insurance appropriate to the Contractor's profession shall provide coverage for the acts, errors, or omissions with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 per claim or occurrence. When policies are renewed or replaced, the policy retroactive date must coincide with, or precede, the start of Services under the Agreement. A claims-made policy which is not renewed or replaced must have an extended reporting period of two (2) years following termination of Agreement.

Related Insurance Requirements

The Certificate of Insurance evidencing the minimum coverages required herein shall be in force on the Effective Date of the Contract and continuously throughout the duration. The required documentation must be received prior to the commencement of work under this Agreement.

It is understood and agreed to by the parties hereto that Chicago Housing Authority and others listed below shall be included as Additional Insureds on Vendor's liability policies, with the exception of Professional Liability and Employer's Liability and such insurance is primary to and will not seek contribution from any insurance, deductibles, self-insured retentions and/or self-insured programs available to Chicago Housing Authority.

Certificate Holder: Chicago Housing Authority
60 E Van Buren
Chicago, IL 60605

Additional Insureds: Collectively referred to as the "Additional Insureds" shall include Chicago Housing Authority, Chicago Housing Administration, LLC; and/or other Partnership, Limited Liability Company as established by CHA; its respective commissioners, board members, officers, directors, agents, property management firms, agents, employees, invitees and visitors.

Primary Coverage: For any claims related to this Agreement, the Vendor's insurance coverage shall be the primary policy. The Vendor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by the CHA shall

apply in excess of and shall not contribute with insurance provided by the Vendor.

Prior to the issuing of the Notice to Proceed by the CHA, the Vendor shall submit a Certificate of Insurance via PINS Advantage Certificate Tracking System, evidencing compliance with the insurance requirements set forth above. You will receive an email with instructions for the submission of your insurance. Copies of the endorsement(s) adding the CHA to Vendor's policy as an additional insured are required upon request. Updated Certificates of Insurance are required for policies which renew during the term of this Agreement or extensions thereof. Under no circumstances shall the Vendor allow any required coverage to lapse, cancel or non-renew throughout the duration of the Agreement or extensions thereof.

At the CHA's option, non-compliance will result in (1) all payments due the Vendor being withheld until the Vendor has complied with the Agreement; or (2) the Vendor will be assessed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for every day of non-compliance; or (3) the Vendor will be immediately removed from the premises and the Agreement will be terminated for default. The receipt of any certificates does not constitute agreement by the CHA that the insurance requirements in the Agreement have been fully met or that the insurance policies indicated on the certificate comply with all Agreement requirements. The insurance policies shall provide for thirty (30) days prior written notice to be given to the CHA in the event coverage is substantially changed, canceled or non-renewed.

The Authority in no way warrants that the minimum limits contained herein are sufficient to protect the Authority from liabilities that might arise out of the performance of the work under this Agreement by the Vendor or its Subcontractors. The Vendor shall assess its own risks and, if it deems appropriate and/or prudent, maintain higher limits and/or broader coverages. The Vendor is not relieved of any liability or other obligations assumed or pursuant to the contract by reason of its failure to obtain or maintain sufficient insurance.

The Vendor shall require all subcontractors to carry the insurance required and adhere to the same requirements and conditions as outlined above.

The Vendor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by the CHA shall apply in excess of and will not contribute with insurance provided by the Vendor and/or any of its subcontractors.

ARTICLE VII EVALUATION PROCESS

Proposals will be scored on a (100) point scale by an evaluation committee scoring the technical criteria in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth below, with CHA Contract Requirements scored by Compliance. Each CHA will make an award to the responsive and responsible Respondent whose proposal conforms to the solicitation and whose combined total score for compliance, technical factors and oral presentations provides the best value. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, CHA reserves the right to make an award based on any other relevant considerations and in the best interest of CHA. CHA reserves the right to perform site visits that may be included in the evaluation scoring.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

EVALUATION CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS
<p>SPECIALIZED EXPERIENCE AND PAST PERFORMANCE (TECHNICAL):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence that the firm has the minimum 10 years of experience required as described in the Experience Section. (10 Points) • The Respondent has demonstrated experience for work and past performance with a scope of service comparable to the services requested in this RFQ. (20 Points) • Evidence that the individual team members have the experience and licenses appropriate for the requirements of the RFQ as described in the Credentials Section. (20 Points) 	50
<p>APPROACH AND WORK PLAN (TECHNICAL):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated understanding of the requirements of the RFQ and tasks required to complete the services. (15 Points) • Demonstrated ability of the proposed team to implement the requirements of the RFQ. (15 Points) 	30
<p>ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE AND KEY PERSONNEL (TECHNICAL):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit chronological resumes or corporate personnel profiles with past experience for each of the key technical personnel and key support personnel committed to the project(s), and statement regarding their local availability. Include Project Manager(s). Resumes must describe previous related experience. Professional qualifications and specialized experience of Key Personnel and Key Support Personnel. (5 Points) • Demonstrated ability of the proposed individual team members related to the requirements of the RFQ. (5 Points) 	10
<p>CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated understanding and quality of CHA's contract requirements, including MWD/BE and Section 3 goals (10 Points) 	10
<p>TOTAL COMBINED POINTS for TECHNICAL, MBE/WBE/DBE and SECTION 3 PLAN</p>	100

After the evaluation committee has evaluated and scored the Respondents' proposals, the MBE/WBE/DBE and Section 3 Business Utilization Plans have been evaluated and scored, CHA's Contracting Officer shall establish the competitive range. If deemed necessary for the purpose of efficiency and economy, CHA has the right to limit the number of Respondents in the competitive range. Respondents within the competitive range will be notified and unless otherwise indicated, will be required to participate in presentations/discussions with CHA. CHA may also require further information or clarification from the Respondents in the competitive range regarding their proposals prior to the presentations/discussions.

CHA, however, reserves the right to make its decision to award a contract based solely on the written Proposals submitted without any requests for presentations, formal interviews, negotiations or further discussions.

The objective of the presentations/discussions is to answer questions, clarify issues, and/or provide additional information regarding a Respondent's proposal and negotiate. Presentations will be evaluated according to the criteria established by the evaluation committee. Respondents in the competitive range will be scored on a maximum 30-point scale. The resulting points will be added to their written proposal scores for a total score.

ORAL PRESENTATION EVALUATION CRITERIA	MAXIMUM POINTS
TOTAL ORAL PRESENTATION POINTS	30

Following the presentations, the evaluation committee members will evaluate and summarize their findings for each firm that participates in the presentations, and the evaluation committee will submit scores to Procurement. CHA will make an award to the responsive and responsible Respondent(s) whose proposal conforms to the solicitation requirements and whose combined total score for price, compliance, technical factors and oral presentations provides the best value to CHA. Notwithstanding anything contained herein, CHA reserves the right to make an award based on any other relevant considerations and in the best interest of CHA.

CHA reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and reserves the right to secure services solicited by this RFQ by means of a non-competitive proposal process in accordance with §2 CFR 200.320 (c) or to re-solicit competitive proposals.

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ARTICLE VIII CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

CHA is committed to contracting with vendors who share our values for inclusive and equitable contracting opportunities. CHA strives to be fair, transparent and practical, and to optimize the use of public funds through purchasing decisions.

1. Summary of Contract Requirements

Type of Contract	M/W/DBE	Section 3 (Labor Hours)	S3 Business subcontracting (> \$250,000)	Davis Bacon
Construction	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Professional Service (licensure required)	Yes	No	Yes	No
Professional Service (non-licensure required)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Professional Services (direct services to residents)	Yes	Yes	No	No
Material & Supply	Yes	No	Yes	No

* if not self-performing

Minimum Contract Requirements:

Minority/Women/Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (M/W/DBEs)

Certified Minority, Women, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (M/W/DBEs) shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with federal funds. Vendors and their subcontractors or suppliers must take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that M/W/DBEs have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform contracts financed in whole or in part by federal funds. CHA establishes minimum thresholds for all contracts over \$50,001. Vendors unable to meet the requirement may propose indirect participation subject to CHA's written approval.

Section 3 Business Subcontracting – For contracts >\$250,000, vendors are required to subcontract to Section 3 Businesses, unless self-performing. To locate a Section 3 Business, visit the [Workforce Opportunity Resource Center](#) (WORC) site. Professional Services that directly provide social support services for CHA residents are not required to sub-contract to Section 3 Businesses but are encouraged to sub-contract when feasible. Vendors unable to meet the requirement may propose indirect participation subject to CHA's written approval. These may include, but are not limited to mentorship programs, internships, training, and employment opportunities for non-CHA funded projects, or payment into CHA's Workforce & Education Fund.

Section 3 Labor Hours

CHA supports HUD’s Section 3 requirement which counts labor hours. All applicable contracts **require at least 25% of the labor hours** performed on a project are done so with Section 3 workers and businesses, of which 5% of those hours must be performed by Targeted Section 3 workers (i.e. CHA residents and HCV participants). Vendors will report these hours via B2Gnow and/or LCPTracker or through required affidavits based on the contract type (HUD Section 3 24 CFR part 75).

Davis Bacon and Minimum Wage Requirements:

The Davis-Bacon & Related Acts apply to construction contracts over **\$2,000** and ensures that all construction employees are paid under the US Department of Labor’s wage decision. Union contractors must ensure that Davis-Bacon wages are met, in accordance with the contract. All CHA contracts must comply with the current local Minimum Wage requirement. The Minimum Wage Requirements shall be specifically incorporated as a contractual requirement in any award and agreement resulting from this solicitation for any of the Selected Respondent’s covered employees. The Respondent must consider the Minimum Wage Requirement in determining its fees for services to be performed or provided by the Respondent under its fee proposal and other submittals. Note that Federal wage determinations (either Davis-Bacon or HUD-Determined Wage Rates) preempt any conflicting State prevailing wage rate or the Minimum Wage Requirement when the State prevailing wage rate or the Minimum Wage Requirement is higher than the Federally imposed wage rate (24 CFR 965).

The following chart indicates the goals set by the CHA for each type of contract.

Minimum Thresholds

Type of Contract	Contract Amount	MBE/WBE/DBE Participation	Section 3 Business Subcontracting (>\$250,000)	Section 3 Labor Hours (25% of which 5% is through CHA resident hires)***
Construction	\$50,001+	30%	10%	25%
Supply & Delivery	\$50,001 +	20%	3%*	N/A
Professional Services	\$50,001 +	20%	3%**	25%

*Or indirect **excludes direct support service providers *** Required regardless of contract amount

1. Utilization Plan:

This chart is a list of items needed to evaluate a full utilization Plan (UP). All respondents to CHA solicitations must submit a UP which enables CHA to evaluate how they will fulfill contract requirements.

Document Name	To be Completed By	Details
Utilization Plan (UP) M/W/DBE	Prime Contractor	This Excel worksheet will include all M/W/DBE and Section 3 Businesses subcontracting as well as proposed indirect, etc.

and Section 3 Businesses		
Letter of Intent	Each M/W/DBE and Section 3 subcontractor listed on the UP including a self-performing Prime Contractor	If a Prime is a M/W/DBE and they are self-performing, they must submit a Letter of Intent. A Letter of Intent for each sub-contractor that is MWD/BE or Section 3 Business must also be submitted. The information outlined in the UP must correspond with the Letters.
Letter of M/W/DBE Certification	Each M/W/DBE listed on UP, including a self-performing Prime Contractor	This form must be submitted with every UP and Letter of Intent and include current certification letters. Applications are not accepted.
Waiver Request-M/W/DBE	Prime Contractor	This form is only to be used if a vendor cannot meet their subcontracting requirements and all good-faith efforts, including indirect participation, have been exhausted. The form must include (1) the scope of work and (2) the reason the Prime cannot meet the commitments outlined.
Other Economic Opportunities (OEO)	Prime Contractor	If vendor is unable to subcontract to a Section 3 Business in full or in part they will need to propose indirect participation through the OEO section on the UP, or make commensurate payment upfront into the Workforce and Education Fund, subject to approval by CHA.

2. Reporting Requirements:

Contract Requirement	System	Details
Construction Contracts	LCPtracker	Certified Payroll Reports must be entered into LCPtracker weekly. This system also tracks compliance with Davis Bacon and Section 3 hours.
Professional Services	B2GNow	Payments must be entered into B2Gnow for every pay application monthly. This system tracks and verifies Prime and Subcontractor payments made and received.

Additional Information:

(a) COUNTING M/W/DBE AND SECTION 3 BUSINESS (S3B) CREDIT: A business that is both self-identified /certified as a Section 3 Business and certified as a M/W/DBE will count towards subcontracting requirements for both the M/W/DBE and Section 3 sub-contracting requirements.

(b) PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES TO SECTION 3 WORKERS: In accordance with 24 CFR part 75.9, Prime and sub-contractors (including Section 3 Businesses) on CHA/HUD-funded contracts must ensure that Section 3 workers are provided economic opportunities with the following preference when applicable: a) residents of the project where the assistance is being provided; b) residents of other public housing or Section 8; c) Youthbuild participants; and d) resident of the metropolitan area.

(c) SUBSTITUTION/REMOVAL OF SUBCONTRACTOR: A prime contractor that needs to remove or substitute a subcontractor on its approved utilization plan must submit a written request for the removal or substitution of the subcontractor concerned. Only when Department of Procurement and Contracts (DPC) approves such a request in writing can the removal or substitution of the subcontractor be done by the prime contractor. Under no circumstance should a prime contractor unilaterally remove or substitute a subcontractor on its CHA/HUD-funded contract without prior approval by DPC.

Definitions

Section 3 Business are defined a business that either is a) 51% owned by public housing or housing choice voucher participant(s); b) 51% owned by a low-income person(s); or c) 75% of the labor hours are performed by low-income workers.

Davis-Bacon and Related Acts directs the US Department of Labor to determine prevailing wage for construction projects.

Indirect Participation refers to the value of payments made to MWD/BE firms for work that is done outside of the proposed project or commensurate value to S3 Business or CHA residents/participants in other economic opportunities.

Additional information on CHA's contract requirements and forms can be found at <https://www.thecha.org/contracting-opportunities/cha-contract-requirements>.

ARTICLE IX STANDARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Upon the award of a contract, the Selected Respondent(s) will execute CHA's Professional Services Agreement in substantially the same form with the same terms and conditions as set forth in the attached Agreement. A Respondent shall include, as part of its cover letter for its proposal to CHA, an acknowledgement that it has read, understands and accepts the terms and conditions of the Agreement. **If there are any terms and conditions to which the Respondent has objections, such objections and the specific section numbers must be noted in the cover letter. The Respondent's proposed alternative language, if any, must be included as an attachment to the cover letter and such requests for revisions will be taken into consideration when determining a Respondent's responsiveness to the RFQ.** A Respondent who fails to provide objections and propose alternative language shall waive its right to subsequently object to any terms of the agreement if awarded a contract by CHA (refer to Attachment C).

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ARTICLE X EXECUTIVE SUMMARY FORM

- A. The undersigned, hereby acknowledges having received a full set of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Event #3305.
- B. The undersigned proposes, in accordance with all terms of the contract documents of which this proposal is a part, to perform all services in accordance with the terms and conditions specified herein. The proposer also agrees that this proposal to offer services to CHA will remain in effect for one hundred eighty (180) days from the date on which proposals are due unless a written letter of withdrawal is submitted to CHA Contracting Officer prior to the award of the contract.

C. Company's Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

I do solemnly declare and affirm under penalty of perjury that the contents of the forgoing documents are true and correct, and that I am authorized, on behalf of the firm, to commit to this proposal.

Name of Preparer (print) Title

Signature Date

Attesting Signer's name (required for corporations) Title

Attesting Signature (required for corporations) Title

Contact Person's Name and Title

Telephone Number Fax Number

Email Address

Note: Executive Summary Sheet must be completed, or Proposal may be deemed non-responsive. Rubber-stamped or typed signatures will disqualify your proposal

ATTACHMENT A

**LETTER OF INTENT TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) EVENT #3305
ARCHITECT AND ENGINEERING PRE-QUALIFIED POOL
Agencywide**

I, _____, the undersigned being a duly authorized official of _____ hereby acknowledges receipt of the above referenced RFQ offering and certify the intent of this firm to submit a Proposal in response to the Request.

PLEASE EXECUTE AND SUBMIT THIS FORM THE SUPPLIER PORTAL AT [HTTPS://SUPPLIER.THECHA.ORG](https://supplier.thecha.org). NO LATER THAN Wednesday, October 01, 2025 BY 11:00 AM, CST.

FIRM'S NAME:

ADDRESS:

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIPCODE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ WEBSITE: _____

PRINCIPAL CONTACT: _____ TITLE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

DIRECT PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____