

**THE TOWNSHIP OF BELLEVILLE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FROM  
FIRMS/INDIVIDUALS INTERESTED IN PROVIDING  
TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL SERVICES  
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2024, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025**

**Introduction**

Pursuant to the Fair and Open Process described under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1, et seq., the Township seeks Request for Proposals (“RFP”) from firms/individuals that wish to provide Tree Trimming and Removal Service for a contract period beginning on January 1, 2024, and ending on December 31, 2025.

All necessary documents can be downloaded from the official Belleville website, [www.bellevillenj.org](http://www.bellevillenj.org), Copies of this standardized submission requirements and selection criteria are also on file and available from the Office of the Township Clerk.

All candidates are required to comply with N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. as amended. (Affirmative Action). Each candidate shall submit proof of business registration with the New Jersey Division of Taxation (P.L. 2004, C.57) prior to the award of contract but preferably with their proposal.

**SPECIFICATIONS FOR  
TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL**

**CONTRACT PERIOD**

The term of this contract is for **(24) twenty-four months** beginning on January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

**TREE REMOVAL:**

Tree removal shall consist of the complete removal of all portions of the designated trees, with the exception of the stump, which shall be ground with a stump cutter to the depth of 6” below the existing ground surface. They shall then be backfilled with topsoil and seeded. The Contractor shall exercise all reasonable care to ensure that no property damage occurs to adjacent vegetation, structures or property. If necessary, trees shall be removed in sections to prevent any such damage. Any damage to structures, utility wires, property, or adjacent trees shall be repaired by the Contractor at his sole cost. It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to notify any utility company whose overhead wires may be disturbed during the tree removal. The diameter of the trees to be removed shall be measured by caliper at a height of 4-1/2 feet above the ground.

**TREE TRIMMING:**

Tree trimming shall consist of dead, dying, diseased, interfering, objectionable and weak branches on the main trunk and limbs inside the leaf area of the tree. All cuts shall be made sufficiently close to the parent stem so as to promote rapid healing under normal conditions. All limbs over 1” in diameter shall be pre-cut to prevent splitting. No stubs shall be left.

WORK CREWS:

A work crew shall be made up of a minimum of three (3) men consisting of a foreman/crew leader, climber, and grounds man. Each crew shall have its own truck with an aerial lift bucket as well as all saws and other incidental tools and signage required to complete the work. The work crew shall be completely knowledgeable in the techniques and use of equipment for safe and efficient tree removal and tree trimming.

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

The successful bidder shall have a Certified Tree Expert on staff and shall be completely knowledgeable in the techniques and use of the equipment being used.

WORK SCHEDULE:

Normal working hours shall be from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the exception of Municipal holidays. Each worker shall have a half-hour lunch break. Tree trimming work which extends beyond the stated working hours, if approved by the Municipality, will be paid at 1 ½ times the submitted unit price in the proposal.

WORK NOTIFICATION:

Tree removal and tree trimming work shall commence within four (4) calendar days after receiving notification. In the case of emergencies, due to storm damage or accidents, tree removal and trimming work shall commence within four (4) hours after receiving notification.

SAFETY/TRAFFIC CONTROL:

When working on Municipal streets, proper roadway signage shall be used at all times. If additional traffic control measures are needed, (additional signage, flagmen, detouring of traffic by the Police, etc.), it shall be at the expense of the Contractor.

**PLEASE LIST ANY EXCEPTIONS TO THESE SPECIFICATIONS ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER, TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID.**

**PLEASE SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR COMPANY'S CONTRACT WITH THE PROPOSAL.**

**PROPOSAL FORM**

We have carefully examined the specifications for **TREE TRIMMING AND REMOVAL** for the Township of Belleville and agree to furnish this service for the following price:

ITEM #1: TREE REMOVAL:

| <u>TREE SIZES – Diameter (inches)</u> | <u>UNIT PRICE PER TREE</u> |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| A. Up to 12”                          | _____                      |
| B. Over 12” up to 18”                 | _____                      |
| C. Over 18” up to 24”                 | _____                      |
| D. Over 24” up to 30”                 | _____                      |
| E. Over 30” up to 36”                 | _____                      |
| F. Over 36”                           | _____                      |

ITEM #2: TREE TRIMMING:

Full crew as defined in the specifications: \_\_\_\_\_ per hour.

ITEM #3: EMERGENCY TREE TRIMMING:

Full crew as defined in the specifications: \_\_\_\_\_ per hour.

Respectfully submitted:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(SIGNATURE) (NAME OF BIDDER)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(STREET ADDRESS) (CITY/STATE/ZIP)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(PHONE #) (FAX #)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(DATE)

## Professional Information and Qualifications

Each interested individual/firm shall also submit the following information:

1. Name of individual/firm:  
Address of principal place of business and all partners or firm's offices and corresponding telephone and fax numbers.
2. Examples of your record of success with these public entities;
3. The firm's ability to provide the services in a timely fashion (including staffing, familiarity and location of key staffing);
4. Cost details (including listing of all charges);
5. Business Registration Certificate (prior to contract award but preferably with the proposal);
6. Statement of corporate ownership (c.52:25-24.2)(form provided);
7. Letter of Qualification (form provided);
8. Letter of Intent (form provided);
9. Non-Collusion Affidavit (form provided);
10. Americans with Disabilities Act form (form provided);
11. Non-Collusion Affidavit (form provided);
12. Americans with Disabilities Act form (form provided);
13. Affirmative Action Compliance Notice (form provided);
14. Minority/Woman Business Enterprise form (form provided);
15. Disclosure of Investment Activities in Iran form (form provided); and
16. Any other information which the interested firm deems relevant.

## **Selection Criteria**

The Township reserves the right to award a contract or contracts to the vendor(s) as determined to be in the best interests of the Township based upon the selection criteria.

The selection criteria used in awarding a contract or agreement for professional services as described herein shall include:

1. Qualifications of the individuals who will perform the tasks and the amounts of their respective participation;
2. Ability to perform the task in a timely fashion, including staffing and familiarity with the subject matter; and
3. Ability to be available with the appropriate personnel at all times necessary to accomplish the representation;
4. The cost and expense that will be necessary to familiarize the attorney with the legal issues arising in the prosecution of municipal offenses; and
5. Cost competitiveness in light of all of the above factors.
6. Experience and references;
7. Other factors, if demonstrated to be in the best interest of the Township.

## **Submission Requirements**

RFP must be delivered no later than Thursday, November 9, 2023, at 11:00 am to:

Albert Cabrera, Township Clerk  
Office of the Township Clerk  
152 Washington Avenue  
Belleville, New Jersey, 07109

Please submit one (1) original unbound copy and one (1) electronic copy in the format of a thumb drive of the RFP. Use white 8 ½" x 11" paper.

**APPENDIX A  
LETTER OF QUALIFICATION  
(To be Typed on Respondent's Letterhead.  
NO MODIFICATIONS MAY BE MADE TO THIS LETTER)**

Albert Cabrera, Township Clerk  
Office of the Township Clerk  
152 Washington Avenue  
Belleville, New Jersey, 07109

Dear Mr. Cabrera:

The undersigned have reviewed our Qualification Statement-Proposal submitted in response to the Request for Proposal ("RFP") issued by the Township of Belleville ("Township"), dated *(Insert Date)* in connection with the Township's need for Services – *(insert type of service)*.

We affirm that the contents of our Qualification Statement-Proposal (which Qualification Statement-Proposal is incorporated herein by reference) are accurate, factual and complete to the best of our knowledge and belief and that the Qualification Statement-Proposal is submitted in good faith upon express understanding that any false statement may result in the disqualification of *(Insert Name of Respondent)*.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Executive Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**Respondent shall sign and complete the spaces as provided above. If a joint venture, partnership or other formal organization is submitting a Qualification Statement-Proposal, each participant must execute this Letter of Qualification**

**APPENDIX B  
LETTER OF INTENT**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ss:

I \_\_\_\_\_ certify that I am the  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the firm of  
\_\_\_\_\_, the Respondent submitting  
Proposals in response to a Request for same from the Township in regards to Services – (*insert  
type of service*). I further certify that:

1. I executed said Proposal with full authority so to do;
2. All statements contained in the Submission and in this affidavit are accurate, factual and complete, and made with full knowledge that the Township of Belleville is relying upon the truth of the statements contained in the Submission and the statements contained in this affidavit in evaluating Respondent’s Qualifications;
- 3 Respondent has not, directly or indirectly, entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above-named project through participation with any other person, firm or party;
4. Respondent agrees to participate in good faith in the procurement process as described in the RFP and to adhere to the Township’s procurement schedule;
5. Respondent acknowledges that all costs incurred by it in connection with the preparation and submission of the Qualification Statement-Proposal and any proposal prepared and submitted in response to the RFP, or any negotiation which results therefrom, shall be borne exclusively by the Respondent. In no event shall the Township have any liability to Respondent for any costs incurred by the Respondent for the Qualification Statement-Proposal.
6. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that the Township may modify, amend, suspend and/or terminate the procurement process in its sole judgment.
7. Respondent is aware that any contract executed with respect to the services referred to in the RFP must comply with the applicable affirmative action and similar laws and agrees to take such actions as may be required to comply with such applicable laws in the event that a contract is formed.

(Signature of Respondent) \_\_\_\_\_  
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO  
BEFORE ME THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF 20 \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED  
WITH THIS PROPOSAL**

**A. NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ss:

I certify that I am \_\_\_\_\_ of the firm of \_\_\_\_\_ the Respondent submitting the Qualification Statement in response to the within Request for Proposal, and that I executed said Qualification Statement with full authority so to do; that said Respondent has not, directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competition in connection with the within Request for Proposals; and that all statements contained in the Respondent's Qualification Statement and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Township of Belleville will rely/relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said Qualification Statement and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract(s) for the services sought in the within Request for Proposals.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed to solicit or secure a contract for the services sought in the within Request for Proposals upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees of the Respondent or as may be permitted by law.

(Signature of respondent) SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO

BEFORE ME THIS DAY \_\_\_\_\_ OF 20

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)

NOTARY PUBLIC OF

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED  
AND RETURNED WITH THIS PROPOSAL**

**B. STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE**  
N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

**This statement shall be completed, certified to, and included with all bid and proposal submissions. Failure to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal.**

**Name of Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I Check the box that represents the type of business organization:**

- Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, execute certification in Part IV)
- For-Profit Corporation (any type)     Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- Partnership     Limited Partnership                       Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)
- Other (be specific): \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II**

The list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(COMPLETE THE LIST BELOW IN THIS SECTION)**

**OR**

No one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be. **(SKIP TO PART IV)**

(Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

| Name of Individual or Business Entity | Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address |
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**Part III DISCLOSURE OF 10% OR GREATER OWNERSHIP IN THE STOCKHOLDERS, PARTNERS OR LLC MEMBERS LISTED IN PART II**

If a bidder has a direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded, and any person holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity as of the last annual federal Security and Exchange Commission (SEC) or foreign equivalent filing, ownership disclosure can be met by providing links to the website(s) containing the last annual filing(s) with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission (or foreign equivalent) that contain the name and address of each person holding a 10% or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded parent entity, along with the relevant page numbers of the filing(s) that contain the information on each such person. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

| Website (URL) containing the last annual SEC (or foreign equivalent) filing | Page #'s |
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**Please list** the names and addresses of each stockholder, partner or member owning a 10 percent or greater interest in any corresponding corporation, partnership and/or limited liability company (LLC) listed in Part II **other than for any publicly traded parent entities referenced above.** The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 has been listed. **Attach additional sheets if more space is needed.**

| Stockholder/Partner/Member and Corresponding Entity Listed in Part II | Home Address (for Individuals) or Business Address |
|---|--|
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**Part IV Certification**

I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I acknowledge: that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the bidder/proposer; that the <*name of contracting unit*> is relying on the information contained herein and that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of any contracts with <*type of contracting unit*> to notify the <*type of contracting unit*> in writing of any changes to the information contained herein; that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will constitute a material breach of my agreement(s) with the, permitting the <*type of contracting unit*> to declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

|                    |  |        |  |
|--------------------|--|--------|--|
| Full Name (Print): |  | Title: |  |
| Signature:         |  | Date:  |  |

**NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED  
AND RETURNED WITH THIS PROPOSAL**

C. MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE  
N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L.1975, c.127)  
N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

**GOODS, GENERAL SERVICES, AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS**

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

## **EXHIBIT A (Cont)**

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval;

Certificate of Employee Information Report; or

Employee Information Report Form AA-302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at: [http:// www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract\\_compliance/](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance/)).

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

Acknowledged by Vendor

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name and title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**D. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990**  
**Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability**

The contractor and the Township, (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. 5121 01 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract.

In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act.

In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act.

The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation.

The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the owner shall expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990  
Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability (continued)**

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement.

Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

**Representative's Name/Title  
(Print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Representative's  
Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of  
Company:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tel. No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**E. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMPLIANCE NOTICE**

**N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27**

**GOODS AND SERVICES CONTRACTS  
(INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES)**

This form is a summary of the successful bidder's requirement to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

The successful bidder shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of this contract, one of the following three documents as forms of evidence:

(a) A photocopy of a valid letter that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program (good for one year from the date of the letter);

.OR

(b) A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4;

.OR

(c) A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.

The successful vendor may obtain the Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302) from the contracting unit during normal business hours. The successful vendor(s) must submit the copies of the AA302 Report to the Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Employment Opportunity in Public Contracts (Division). The Public Agency copy is submitted to the public agency, and the vendor copy is retained by the vendor.

The undersigned vendor certifies that he/she is aware of the commitment to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 and agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence.

The undersigned vendor further understands that his/her bid shall be rejected as non-responsive if said contractor fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

COMPANY: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

**F. MINORITY/WOMAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (MWBE)**  
**Questionnaire for Bidders**

The Township of Belleville, in accordance with the stated policy of non-discrimination and equal employment opportunity in the Municipal Code, recognizes a goal of awarding 20% of the dollar amount of total city procurement to minority and woman owned. business enterprises. To assist us in monitoring our achievement of this goal, please indicate below whether your company is or is not a minority owned and/or woman owned business, and return this form with your bid proposal,

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check applicable category:

\_\_\_\_\_ Minority Owned \_\_\_\_ Minority & Woman Owned

\_\_\_\_\_ Woman Owned \_\_\_\_\_Neither

**Definition of Minority Business Enterprise**

Minority Business Enterprise means a business which is a sole proprietorship, partnership, or corporation at least 51% of which is owned and controlled by persons who are African American, Hispanic, Asian American, American Indian, or Alaskan native, defined as follows:

**African American:** a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

**Hispanic:** a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Central or South American or other non-European Spanish culture or origin regardless of race.

**Asian:** a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, South East Asia, Indian subcontinent, Hawaii or the Pacific Islands.

**American Indian or Alaskan Native:** a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

**Woman Business Enterprise:** a business which is a sole proprietorship, partnership, or corporation at least 51% of which is owned and controlled by a woman or women



## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

### IMPORTANT:

READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE. IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT, DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM. SEND COPY OF CURRENT CERTIFICATE TO THE PUBLIC AGENCY. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDS.

**ITEM 1** - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

**ITEM 2** - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".

**ITEM 3** - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

**ITEM 4** - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominate one.

**ITEM 5** - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

**ITEM 6** - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

**ITEM 7** - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

**ITEM 8** - If "Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

**ITEM 9** - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

**ITEM 10** - Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

**ITEM 11** - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category. DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.

#### Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

**Black:** Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

**Hispanic:** Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

**American Indian or Alaskan Native:** Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

**Asian or Pacific Islander:** Persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Phillippine Islands and Samoa.

**Non-Minority:** Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

**ITEM 12** - Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

**ITEM 13** - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

**ITEM 14** - If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".

**ITEM 15** - If the answer to Item 15 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.

**ITEM 16** - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

**ITEM 17** - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

### TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN

THE VENDOR IS TO COMPLETE THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT FORM (AA302) AND RETAIN COPY FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES. THE VENDOR IS TO SUBMIT A COPY TO THE PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDED THE CONTRACT AND FORWARD A COPY TO:

**NJ Department of the Treasury**  
**Division of Contract Compliance & Equal Employment Opportunity**  
P.O. Box 209  
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0209      Telephone No. (609) 292-5475

**H. MANDATORY BUSINESS REGISTRATION LANGUAGE**  
**Non Construction Contracts**

All contractors and subcontractors must provide a Business Registration Certificate when seeking to do business with the State of New Jersey, and other public agencies in this state. Failure to submit proof of registration requires mandatory rejection of a bid as a non-waivable defect. Proof of registration must be received before the contract is issued for non-bid contracts: such as contracts exempt from public bidding that are over the bid threshold, professional services, and extraordinary unspecifiable services, and purchase orders that are under the bid threshold. For non-bid contracts only, if proof has been filed through a previous contract, the contracting agency may waive resubmission.

**"New Jersey Business Registration Requirements"**

N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(1)(b) No contract shall be entered into by any contracting agency unless the contractor provides a copy of its business registration in accordance with the following schedule:

- (1) In response to a request for bids or a request for proposals, at the time a bid or proposal is submitted; or
- (2) For all other transactions, before the issuance of a purchase order or other contracting document. In its sole discretion, the contracting unit may waive this requirement if a business registration has been previously provided to the contracting agency.

N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(1)(c) A subcontractor shall provide a copy of its business registration to any contractor who shall forward it to the contracting agency. No contract with a subcontractor shall be entered into by any contractor under any contract with a contracting agency unless the subcontractor first provides proof of valid business registration. The contracting agency shall file all business registrations received by the contracting agency with other procurement documents related to the contract.

For the term of the contract, the contractor and each of its affiliates and a subcontractor and each of its affiliates [N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(g)(3)] shall collect and remit to the Director, New Jersey Division of Taxation, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into this State, regardless of whether the tangible personal property is intended for a contract with a contracting agency.

N.J.S.A. 54:49-4.1 A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section of P.L.2001, c.134 (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92), or that provides false business registration information under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency."

# DISCLOSURE OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN

## **PART 1: CERTIFICATION** **BIDDERS MUST COMPLETE PART 1 BY CHECKING EITHER BOX.**

### **FAILURE TO CHECK EITHER BOX WILL RENDER THE PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE.**

Pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal or otherwise proposes to enter into or renew a contract must complete the certification below to attest, under penalty of perjury, that neither the person or entity, nor any of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is identified on the Department of Treasury's Chapter 25 list as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran. The Chapter 25 list is found on the Division's website at <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/purchase/pdf/Chapter25List.pdf>. Bidders **must** review this list prior to completing the below certification. **Failure to complete the certification will render a bidder's proposal non-responsive.** If the Director finds a person or entity to be in violation of law, s/he shall take action as may be appropriate and provided by law, rule or contract, including but not limited to, imposing sanctions, seeking compliance, recovering damages, declaring the party in default and seeking debarment or suspension of the party.

### **PLEASE CHECK EITHER BOX:**

**I certify, pursuant to Public Law 2012, c. 25, that neither the person/entity listed above nor any of the entity's parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the N.J. Department of the Treasury's list of entities determined to be engaged in prohibited activities in Iran pursuant to P.L. 2012, c. 25 ("Chapter 25 List"). I further certify that I am the person listed above, or I am an officer or representative of the entity listed above and am authorized to make this certification on its behalf. **I will skip Part 2 and sign and complete the Certification****

**OR**

**I am unable to certify as above because I or the bidding entity and/or one or more of its parents, subsidiaries, or affiliates is listed on the Department's Chapter 25 list. I will provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities in Part 2 below and sign and complete the Certification below.** Failure to provide such will result in the proposal being rendered as non-responsive and appropriate penalties, fines and/or sanctions will be assessed as provided by law.

## **Part 2**

### **PLEASE PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION RELATED TO INVESTMENT ACTIVITIES IN IRAN**

You must provide a detailed, accurate and precise description of the activities of the bidding person/entity, or one of its parents, subsidiaries or affiliates, engaging in the investment activities in Iran outlined above by completing the boxes below.

**PROVIDE INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS. PLEASE PROVIDE THOROUGH ANSWERS TO EACH QUESTION. IF YOU NEED TO MAKE ADDITIONAL ENTRIES, USE ADDITIONAL PAGES**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Bidder/Vendor: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Activities:

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Duration of Engagement: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Cessation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Bidder/Vendor: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Certification: I, being duly sworn upon my oath, hereby represent and state that the foregoing information and any attachments thereto to the best of my knowledge are true and complete. I attest that I am authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the below-referenced person or entity. I acknowledge that the Township is relying on the information contained herein and thereby acknowledge that I am under a continuing obligation from the date of this certification through the completion of contracts with the Township to notify the Township in writing of any changes to the answers of information contained herein. I acknowledge that I am aware that it is a criminal offense to make a false statement or misrepresentation in this certification, and if I do so, I recognize that I am subject to criminal prosecution under the law and that it will also constitute a material breach of my agreements(s) with the Township and that the Township at its option may declare any contract(s) resulting from this certification void and unenforceable.

Full Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Bidder/Vendor: \_\_\_\_\_