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Invitation to Bid

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**SHOES SHINE SERVICES
FOR
FULTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMPLEX
GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

BID DUE TIME AND DATE: 11:00 A.M. MAY 19, 2005

PROCEDURAL CONTACT: ALONZO ARNOLD @ 404-730-4215
Alonzo.arnold@co.fulton.ga.us

NOTE TO BIDDER:

PLEASE RESPOND TO THE ATTACHED BID. EVEN IF YOUR COMPANY'S RESPONSE IS A NO-BID.

COMPLETION OF THIS FORM IS NOT REQUIRED. IT IS OPTIONAL. WE ARE VERY INTERESTED IN ENSURING THAT OUR BIDS ARE NON-RESTRICTIVE AND THAT NO BIDDER IS ELIMINATED ARBITRARILY. IT IS THE COUNTY'S INTENT TO ABOLISH ANY AND ALL BARRIERS TO ITS PROCUREMENT PROCESS WHICH PREVENTS INTERESTED AND QUALIFIED BIDDERS FROM PARTICIPATING.

SHOULD YOU RESPOND WITH A NO-BID, PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY.

EXAMPLES ARE:

(1) OUR COMPANY CANNOT MEET THESE SPECIFICATIONS BECAUSE YOU REQUIRE:

(2) OUR COMPANY CAN NOT COMPETITIVELY BID ON THIS PRODUCT OR SERVICE BECAUSE:

(3) OTHER:

YOUR RESPONSE WILL BE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION AND INCLUDED IN THE BID FILE WITH OTHER BIDDER COMMENTS. IF IT APPEARS, FROM THE FEEDBACK RECEIVED, THAT THE SPECIFICATIONS ARE RESTRICTIVE YOUR INPUT WILL HELP THE COUNTY MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES SO THAT A GREATER NUMBER OF INTERESTED BIDDERS ARE INCLUDED, YOUR INPUT IS NEEDED, IT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Invitation to Bid

Title: Shoeshine Operations in the Government & Judicial Center Complexes.

1. DESCRIPTION

- 1.1 Fulton County Department of General Services invites bidders to furnish all parts, labor, equipment, transportation and materials necessary to provide the capability to shine shoes and boots in both the **Government and Judicial Center Complexes** in downtown Atlanta for a period of 5 years from date of award. The contract will contain one 5-year renewal option contingent upon vendor performance and Board of Commissioners approval.
- 1.2 All materials, supplies and equipment necessary to perform this service must be of the highest quality and must conform to any related state, municipal or federal standard and be consistent with standard commercial practices.

2. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 2.1 Fulton County will pre-approve and provide the environmentally controlled area(s) inside the facilities necessary to perform these operations at no cost to the successful bidder(s).
- 2.2 Fulton County will not charge the successful bidder(s) a fee or commission for allowing these operations on County property. These operations will be run on a strict profit/loss basis. Fulton County will provide no subsidy.
- 2.3 Fulton County must approve in writing any signage the successful bidder(s) wish (wishes) to use. Successful bidder(s) must post clearly visible sign indicating the prices charged for the services provided. The successful bidder(s) is (are) responsible for obtaining the proper business license(s) and collecting and paying appropriate sales tax and maintaining required financial records.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

- 3.1 Successful bidder(s) will have the capability to shine shoes and boots, repair minor scuffing on them and re-dye the edges of boots and shoes between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on all weekdays Fulton County is open for business. Bidder(s) is (are) encouraged—but not required—to make arrangements with a reputable off-site shoe and boot repair shop to perform repair work the customers may request.
- 3.2 The successful bidder(s) will provide the shoeshine stand, a comfortable seat for patrons to sit on while their shoes or boots are being shined and a secure storage area that is part of the stand for the supplies used to conduct the specified operations.
- 3.3 The successful bidder(s) must keep the stand, seat and associated equipment in good

repair and the area within 10 linear feet of the operation clean and free of dirt, shoe polish, shoes/boots, and other debris during the bidder's/bidders' operating hours.

- 3.4 Fulton County will provide regularly scheduled custodial services outside of the operating hours specified in paragraph 3.1 above.
- 3.5 The bidder further understands that the Department of General Services shall have the right to cancel the contract at anytime in the event the successful bidder (s) breaches the contract in any respect whatsoever.

4. **BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS**

Bidder shall have at least one (1) year experience in providing these services. Additionally, the bidder must provide at least two (2) references, with names and telephone numbers of persons in charge, who will be able to verify the bidder's experience in this field.

- 4.1 **Personnel:** All personnel who will work in County facilities and provide this service must be able to communicate in English
- 4.2 **Licensing:** Successful bidder(s) shall obtain the proper business license before beginning operations.

5. **AWARD**

Fulton County will award a contract for these services to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for each complex. Fulton County will determine **low bid** based on the prices charged for the services provided.

- 5.1 To determine whether a bidder is responsive, Fulton County will consider the following criteria which the bidders must include with their bid.
- 5.1.A. Bidder's compliance with insurance requirements as specified in paragraph ____ below.
- 5.1.B. Compliance with all other terms and conditions of this specification
- 5.2 To determine whether a bidder is responsible, Fulton County will confirm the bidder's experience and perform checks with references the bidders provide.

6. **USE OF SUBCONTRACTORS**

The successful bidder(s) shall inform Fulton County via the bid submission of their intent to subcontract any portion of the work. **A maximum of 49% of the work may be subcontracted.**

7. **INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS**

See attached.

8. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

The performance of the successful bidder(s) (hereafter referred to as “contractor[s]”) will be evaluated on a continuous basis, based on the Fulton County's "Contract Performance" benchmarks. General parameters for performance evaluation are as follows:

- 8.1 Performance evaluation will be done by the Contract Administrator or by other authorized personnel of General Services Department.
- 8.2 Performance evaluation will be done at periods not greater than 3 (three) months.
- 8.3 The contractor(s) will be given a copy of their evaluation. The contractor(s) is (are) required to acknowledge receipt of the evaluation.
- 8.4 Contractor(s) will be able to make remarks or note corrective actions taken, on the evaluation sheet.
- 8.5 Fulton County reserves the right to terminate a contract based on the performance evaluation, after serving due notice on the contractor, if the contractor fails to provide acceptable services for two or more three month periods.
- 8.6 Any dispute resulting from the evaluation will be left to the arbitration of a Deputy Department Director.
- 8.7 The decision of the Deputy Director will be final and binding on both the parties

9. **POINT OF CONTACT**

Please contact Alonzo Arnold in the Purchasing Department @ 404-730-4215 for any technical or procedural information in regard to this bid.

10. **PRICING:**

The bidders are required to submit, along with the bid, the most current available price list for the shoeshine services to be provided. Bidder must agree to hold these prices for a minimum of 180 calendar days from the published bid due date. Annual price increases cannot exceed the consumer price index increase for the previous 12 months for the Greater Atlanta Metropolitan Area.

Shoe Shine

Price (\$)

10.1 Wax Shine	_____
10.2 Power Shine	_____
10.3 Short Boot	_____
10.4 Tall Boot	_____

Shoe Repair

Price (\$)

10.5 Full Sole & Heel	_____
10.6 Sole & Heel, ½ in	_____
10.7 Sole, ½ in	_____
10.8 Heels	_____
10.9 Leather Heels	_____
10.10 Power Soles	_____
10.11 Viabram Full Soles	_____
10.12 Ladies ½ in Soles	_____
10.13 Ladies Power Soles	_____
10.14 Ladies Dowel Lifts, Small	_____
10.15 Ladies Dowel Lifts, Medium	_____
10.16 Ladies Dowel Lifts, Large	_____
10.17 Cowboy Boot ½ in Sole & Heel	_____
10.18 Taps, Small	_____
10.19 Taps, Large	_____

11. **REQUIRED SUBMITTALS**

- 11.1 The bid schedule duly filled in with bid price.
- 11.2 List of at least two (2) references with complete information required for inquiry.
- 11.3 Submit with bid proof of ability to obtain insurance requirement.

The bid will be considered non-responsive the bidder fails to submit all the above requirements.

12. **RENEWAL**

Fulton County reserves the right to renew this contract for five (5) one (1) years twelve (12) month period pending availability of departmental appropriated funding, compliance with County rules/performance. Option year price increases shall not exceed the consumer price index (CPI) as published by the bureau of labor statistics of the U.S. Department of labor with particular reference to the average shown on such index for “all items” for the Atlanta metropolitan area.

13. **EXCEPTIONS AND REMARKS**

Please indicate exceptions or remarks that you may have, below. Add sheets if necessary.

End of specification.

Please see next sections for additional submission requirements and a Draft Contract-----

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER/OFFEROR

I, _____ certify that pursuant to Fulton County Code Section 2-320 (11), this bid or proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a bid for the same work, labor or service to be done or the supplies, materials or equipment to be furnished and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. I understand collusive bidding is a violation of state and federal law and can result in fines, prison sentences and civil damages awards. I agree to abide by all conditions of this bid or proposal and certify that I am authorized to sign this bid or proposal for the bidder.

Affiant further states that pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 36-91-21 (d) and (e), _____ has not, by itself or with others, directly or indirectly, prevented or attempted to prevent competition in such bidding or proposals by any means whatsoever. Affiant further states that (s)he has not prevented or endeavored to prevent anyone from making a bid or offer on the project by any means whatever, nor has Affiant caused or induced another to withdraw a bid or offer for the work.

Affiant further states that the said offer of _____ is bona fide, and that no one has gone to any supplier and attempted to get such person or company to furnish the materials to the bidder only, or if furnished to any other bidder, that the material shall be at a higher price.

(COMPANY NAME)

(PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, 200__.

(SECRETARY/ASSISTANT SECRETARY)

(Affix corporate seal here, if a corporation)

Notary Public: _____

County: _____

Commission Expires: _____

NOTE:

IF THE OFFEROR IS A PARTNERSHIP, ALL OF THE PARTNERS AND ANY OFFICER, AGENT, OR OTHER PERSON WHO MAY HAVE REPRESENTED OR ACTED FOR THEM IN BIDDING FOR OR PROCURING THE CONTRACT SHALL ALSO MAKE THIS OATH.

IF THE OFFEROR IS A CORPORATION, ALL OFFICERS, AGENTS, OR OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY HAVE ACTED FOR OR REPRESENTED THE CORPORATION IN BIDDING FOR OR PROCURING THE CONTRACT SHALL MAKE THE OATH.

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF FULTON

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF SUBCONTRACTOR

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CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE OF REQUEST
FOR BID REQUIREMENTS

This is to certify that on this day, bidder acknowledges that he/she has read this bid document, pages # _____ to # _____ inclusive, including any addenda # _____ to # _____ exhibit(s) # _____ to # _____, attachment(s) # _____ to # _____, and/or appendices # _____ to # _____ in its entirety, and agrees that no pages or parts of the document have been omitted, that he/she understands, accepts and agrees to fully comply with the requirements therein, and that the undersigned is authorized by the proposing company to submit the bid herein and to legally obligate the bidder thereto.

Company: _____

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____ Date: _____

(Affix Corporate Seal)

FULTON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**BID GENERAL REQUIREMENTS****O5ITB67911YA SHOE SHINE SERVICES**

The following information pertains to the submission of a Bid to Fulton County, and contains instructions on how Bids must be presented in order to be considered. Listed below are the requirements for all Bidders interested in doing business with Fulton County.

1. The Bid sheets included in this Invitation to Bid ("Bid") must be fully completed and returned with the Bid unless otherwise specified in writing by the Purchasing Department. Type or neatly print the date, company name, and the full legal name and title of the person(s) signing the Bid in the place provided at the bottom of each Bid sheet. Any additional sheets submitted must contain the same signature and Bidder information.
2. Original signature(s) must appear on each page of the Bid document. All signatures must be executed by person(s) having contracting authority for the Bidder.
3. Absolutely no fax Bids or reproduction Bids will be accepted, except that photocopies may be submitted in addition to the original when multiple copies of the Bid are specifically requested in the solicitation.
4. The envelope in which the Bid response is submitted must be sealed and clearly labeled with the Bid number, project title, due date and time, and the name of the company or individual submitting the proposal. Bids must be received by the opening date and time shown on this Bid in order to be considered. The Purchasing Agent has no obligation to consider Bids which are not in properly marked envelopes. Contract Compliance submittals shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope or package.
5. The original and the required number of copies of the Bid must be returned to:

Fulton County Purchasing Agent
Fulton County Purchasing Department
130 Peachtree Street, S.W., Suite 1168
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

- Any inquiries, questions, clarifications or suggestions regarding this solicitation should be submitted in writing to the Purchasing Contact Person. Contact with any other County personnel in regard to a current solicitation is strictly prohibited in accordance with Fulton County "No Contact" policy outlined in Section 35.
6. Show information and prices in the format requested. Prices are to be quoted F.O.B. Destination, and must include all costs chargeable to the Contractor executing the Contract, including taxes. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract, Fulton County shall have no liability for any cost not included in the price. The Contractor shall provide Fulton County the benefit through a reduction in price of any decrease in the

Contractor's costs by reason of any tax exemption based upon Fulton County's status as a tax-exempt entity.

7. All prices Bid must be audited by the Bidder to ensure correctness before the Bid is submitted. The Bidder is solely responsible for the accuracy of information placed on a Bid sheet, including prices. Clerical or mathematical error is insufficient to void a successful Bid but a Bidder may withdraw a sealed Bid prior to opening without a penalty.
8. All prices must be submitted in the format requested and less all trade discounts. When multiple items are being Bid, Bidder must show both the unit price and the total extended price for each item. When applicable, the Bidder must include an additional lump sum Bid for groups or items. In the event a Bidder is offering an additional discount on groups of items, Bidder must indicate the total lump sum Bid for the particular group of items before any extra discount, the amount of extra discount, and the net total for the particular group. In the event of an extension error, unit pricing shall prevail.
9. By submitting a signed Bid, Bidder agrees to accept an award made as a result of that Bid under the terms and conditions spelled out in the Bid documents. In the event of a conflict between the different Bid documents, the County's cover Contract (if used) shall have precedence, followed in order by the Invitation to Bid, Purchase Order, Bid, Contractor's Warranty Agreement, Maintenance Agreement, and/or other Contractor provided agreements.
10. A Bidder may submit only one (1) Bid response for each specific Bid solicitation unless otherwise authorized in the specifications.
11. All prices submitted by the Bidder to Fulton County must be guaranteed by the authorized person(s) against any price increase for the time period designated in the Bid specifications, and Fulton County must be given the benefit of any price decrease occurring during such designated time period.
12. All items Bid must be new. Used, rebuilt and refurbished items will not be considered unless specifically authorized by Fulton County in the written specifications.
13. All Bidders must specify in the Bid response the earliest actual delivery date for each item unless otherwise specified in writing by Fulton County. The delivery date may be a factor in deciding the Bidder's capability to perform.
14. A successful Bidder's delivery ticket(s) and invoice(s) must list each item separately and must show Fulton County's purchase order number as well as the proper department and address to which delivery was made, as listed on the purchase order or in the Bidder's contract with Fulton County.
15. Unless clearly shown as "no substitute" or words to that effect, any items in this invitation to Bid which have been identified, described or referenced by a brand name or trade name are for reference only. Such identification is intended to be descriptive but not restrictive, and is to indicate the general quality and characteristics of products that may be offered. Each item Bid must be individually identified as to whether it is a specified item or an equivalent item by typing or printing after the item(s): The brand

- name; model or manufacturer's number, or identification regularly used in the trade. Deviations from the specifications must be clearly and fully listed on the Bid sheet, including photographs or cuts, specifications, and dimensions of the proposed "alternate". Fulton County is the sole judge of "exact equivalent", or "alternate". The factors to be considered are: function, design, materials, construction, workmanship, finishes, operating features, overall quality, local service facilities, warranty terms and service, and other relevant features of item(s) Bid.
16. For all Bids, Fulton County reserves the right to request representative samples. If requested, samples must be delivered at the Bidder's cost within three (3) business days. Samples are submitted at the risk of the Bidder and may be subjected to destructive tests by Fulton County. Samples must be plainly tagged with Fulton County's Bid number, item name, manufacturer, and the name of the Bidder.
 17. Item(s) Bid must be complete and ready to operate. No obvious omissions of components or necessary parts shall be made even though the specifications may not detail or mention them. Unit(s) must be furnished with factory installed equipment and must be comparable with the basic form, fit, and functional requirements which are all to be included in the base price as well as any other equipment included as standard by the manufacturer or generally provided to the buying public.
 18. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for all item(s) damaged prior to F.O.B. Destination delivery and agree to hold harmless Fulton County of all responsibility for prosecuting damage claims.
 19. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for replacement of all defective or damaged goods within thirty (30) days of notice by Fulton County of such defect or damage.
 20. All successful Bidders must assume full responsibility for providing or ensuring warranty service on any and all items including goods, materials, or equipment provided to the County with warranty coverage. If a successful Bidder is not the manufacturer, all manufacturers' warranties must be passed through to Fulton County. The Bidder and not Fulton County is responsible for contacting the manufacturer of the warranty service provided during the warranty period and supervising the completion of the warranty service to the satisfaction of Fulton County.
 21. As a successful Bidder providing any equipment which requires fitting and assembly, the Bidder shall be solely responsible for such installation being performed by a manufacturer's authorized or approved servicer or an experienced worker, utilizing workmanship of the highest caliber. The Bidder must verify all dimensions at the site, shall be responsible for their correctness, and shall be responsible for the availability of replacement parts when specified in writing by Fulton County in the specifications, purchase order, or other contract.
 22. A successful Bidder is solely responsible for disposing of all wrappings, crating, and other disposable material upon deliver of item(s).
 23. All Bidders are required to be authorized distributors or regularly engaged in the sale or distribution of the type of goods, materials, equipment or services for which the Bidder is submitting a Bid response in addition, all Bidders are required to provide Fulton County

- with three (3) written references documenting the successful completion of Bids or contracts for the types of items including goods, materials, equipment, or services for which the Bidder is submitting a Bid response. In instances where a Bidder has never supplied such goods, material, equipment, or services before, the Bidder must submit with the Bid response a statement and supporting documentation demonstrating such expertise, knowledge, or experience to establish the Bidder as a responsible Bidder, capable of meeting the Bid requirements should an award be made. No exceptions to this provision will be made unless authorized in the Bid specifications.
24. Bidders may be required to furnish evidence that they maintain permanent places of business of a type and nature compatible with their Bid proposal, and are in all respects competent and eligible vendors to fulfill the terms of the specifications. Fulton County may make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform such work, and reserves the right to reject any Bidder if evidence fails to indicate that the Bidder is qualified to carry out the obligation of the Contract and to complete the work satisfactorily.
 25. All Bidders must comply with all Fulton County Purchasing laws, policies, and procedures, non-discrimination in contracting and procurement ordinances, and relevant state and federal laws including but not limited to compliance with EEOC hiring guidelines and requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Successful Bidder must obtain all permits, licenses, and inspections as required and furnish all labor, materials, insurance, equipment, tools, supervision, and incidentals necessary to accomplish the work in these specifications.
 26. If a successful Bidder is unable or unwilling to enter into a Contract with Fulton County subsequent to being granted an award, or who fails to perform in accordance with the Bid specifications the Bidder will be subject to damages and all other relief allowed by law.
 27. Successful Bidders contract directly with Fulton County and are the party or parties obligated to perform. Contracts may not be assigned and any failure to perform the Contract in accordance with the specifications will constitute a breach of Contract and may result in a Bidder being found to be “non-responsive” in the future.
 28. In case of default by the successful Bidder, Fulton County may procure the articles for services from another source and hold the successful Bidder responsible for any resulting excess cost.
 29. The County may award any Bid in whole or in part to one or more vendors or reject all Bids and/or waive any technicalities if it is in the best interests of the County to do so. In the event that all Bids are not rejected, Bids for items including goods, materials, equipment, and services will be awarded to the lowest “responsible” Bidder(s) as determined by Fulton County. Submitting the lowest Bid, as published at the Bid opening, does not constitute an award or the mutual expectation of an award of a Contract and purchase order. For purposes of this notice and the attached Bid sheets, a purchase order is a Contract to provide items including goods, materials, equipment, and services and is intended to have the full force and effect of a Contract. A breach of the terms and conditions of a purchase order constitutes a breach of Contract.

30. Bids for projects that are solicited pursuant to the Georgia Local Government Public Works Construction Law (O.C.G.A. § 36-91-1 et seq.) may withdrawn as follows:

Competitive sealed Bids ("Bid") may not be revoked or withdrawn until 60 days after the time set by the governmental entity for opening of Bids. At the end of this time period, the Bid will cease to be valid, unless the Bidder provides written notice to the County prior to the scheduled expiration date that the Bid will be extended for a time period specified by the County.

31. In the evaluation of the Bids, any award will be subject to the Bid being:
- A. Compliant to the specification – meets form, fit, and function requirements stated or implied in the specification.
 - B. Lowest cost to the County over projected useful life.
 - C. Administratively Compliant – Including all required bonds, insurance, established quality of work and general reputation, financial responsibility, relevant experience, and related criteria.
32. All proposals and Bids submitted to Fulton County are subject to the Georgia "Open Records Act", Official Code of Georgia, Annotated (O.C.G.A.) §50-18-70 et seq.
33. All proposals and Bids submitted to Fulton County involving Utility Contracting are subject to the Georgia law governing licensing of Utility Contractors, O.C.G.A. §43-14-8.2(h). The Utility Contractor License number of the person who will perform the utility work shall be written on the face of the Bid envelope.
34. The apparent silence of this specification, and any supplement thereto, as to details, of the omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, will be regarded as meaning only the best commercial practices are to prevail. Only materials of the highest quality, correct type, size, and design are to be used. All interpretations of this specification will be made upon the basis of this statement, with Fulton County interpretation to prevail.
35. It is the policy of Fulton County that the evaluation and award process for County contracts shall be free from both actual and perceived impropriety, and that contacts between potential vendors and County officials, elected officials and staff regarding pending awards of County contracts shall be prohibited.
- A. No person, firm, or business entity, however situated or composed, obtaining a copy of or responding to this solicitation, shall initiate or continue any verbal or written communication regarding this solicitation with any County officer, elected official, employee, or designated County representative, between the date of the issuance of this solicitation and the date of the County Manager's recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for award of the subject contract, except as may otherwise be specifically authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation.
 - B. All verbal and written communications initiated by such person, firm, or entity regarding this solicitation, if same are authorized and permitted by the terms and conditions of this solicitation, shall be directed to the Purchasing Agent.

- C. Any violation of this prohibition of the initiation or continuation of verbal or written communications with County officers, elected officials, employees, or designated County representatives shall result in a written finding by the Purchasing Agent that the submitted Bid or proposal of the person, firm, or entity in violation is “non-responsive”, and same shall not be considered for award.
36. Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation as a Joint Venture must submit an executed Joint Venture Agreement with this Bid. This agreement must designate those persons or entities authorized to execute documents or otherwise bind the Joint Venture in all transactions with Fulton County, or are accompanied by a document, binding upon the Joint Venture and its constituent members, making such designation. Bids from Joint Ventures that do not include these documents will be rejected as being “non-responsive”.
37. Any Bidder intending to respond to this solicitation must complete all of the Procurement Affidavit Forms provided in this solicitation. Bids that do not include these completed documents will be rejected as being “non-responsive”.

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT

- (1) The Offeror certifies that neither it or its subcontractors is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or otherwise excluded from doing business with any government agency. Any such exclusion may cause prohibition of your firm from participating in any procurement by the Fulton County Government.
- (2) If the Offeror is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such Offeror or subcontractor shall attach an explanation to this bid or proposal.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CERTIFICATION

By signing and submitting this certification, the Offeror is providing the certification set out below:

- (1) The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed. If it is later determined that the prospective vendor knowingly rendered a false certification, the Purchasing Agent may pursue all available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment, for withdrawal of award or termination of a contract.
- (2) The prospective Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Purchasing Agent if at anytime the Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- (3) Offeror shall be under a continuing duty to immediately inform the Purchasing Agent in writing of any changes, if as a result of such changes, the Offeror certification regarding debarment is affected.

DEBARMENT ORDINANCE

The following Section 2-322 of Fulton County Code of Laws establishes the procedure for the debarment of contractors.

- (a) *Authority to suspend.*

After reasonable notice to the entity involved and reasonable opportunity for that entity

to be heard, the Purchasing Agent, after consultation with user department, the County Manager and the County Attorney shall have the authority to suspend an entity for cause from consideration for award of county contracts. As used in this section, the term entity means any business entity, individual, firm, contractor, subcontractor or business corporation, partnership, limited liability corporation, firm, contractor, subcontractor or business structured; provided, further, that any such entity shall also be subject to suspension under this section if any of its constituents, members, subcontractors at any tier of such entity's and the entity, or any constituent or member, knew or should have known of the commission of the act. The suspension shall be for a period not to exceed three (3) years unless cause is based on a felony conviction for an offense related or associated with fraudulent contracting or misappropriation of funds wherein the suspension shall not exceed seven (7) years.

(b) *Causes for Suspension.* The causes for suspension include:

- (1) Conviction for commission of a criminal offense as an incident to obtain or attempting to obtain a public or private contract or subcontract, or in performance of such contract or subcontract;
- (2) Conviction of state or federal statutes of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, receiving stolen property or other offense indicating a lack of business integrity or business honesty which currently, seriously and directly affects responsibility as a county contractor.
- (3) Conviction of state or federal anti-trust statutes arising out of the solicitation and submission of bids and proposals;

- (4) Violation of contract provisions, as set forth below, of a character which is regarded by the Purchasing Agent to be so serious as to justify suspension action:
- a. Failure to perform in accordance with the specifications within a time limit provided in a county contract;
 - b. A recent record of failure to perform or unsatisfactory performance in accordance with the terms of one or more contracts; provided, that failure to perform or unsatisfactory performance caused by acts beyond the control of the contractor shall not be considered to be a basis for suspension;
 - c. Material representation of the composition of the ownership or workforce or business entity certified to the county as a minority business enterprise; or
 - d. Falsification of any documents.
- (4) For violation of the ethical standards set forth in Fulton County Code Chapter 9, Code of Ethics.
- (5) Knowing misrepresentation to the county, of the use which a majority owned contractor intends to make a minority business enterprise (a business entity at least 51 percent of which is owned and controlled by minority persons, as defined in Fulton County Code Chapter 6, Article B, Minority Business Enterprise Affirmative Action Program and certified as such by the county), as a sub-contractor or a joint venture partner, in performing work under contract with the county.

Failure to fully and truthfully provide the information required, may result in the disqualification of your bid/proposal from consideration or termination of the Contract, once awarded. This document must be completed and included as a part of the bid/proposal package along with other required documents.

[SIGNATURES ON NEXT PAGE]

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that I have examined this certification and all attachments hereto, if applicable, to the best of my knowledge and belief, and all statements contained hereto are true, correct, and complete.

On this _____ day of _____, 2005

(Legal Name of Offeror) (Date)

(Signature of Authorized Representative) (Date)

(Title)

NON-DISCRIMINATION IN CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENTS

It is the policy of Fulton County Government that discrimination against businesses by reason of the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of any such business is prohibited. Furthermore, it is the policy of the Board of Commissioners ("Board") that Fulton County and all vendors and contractors doing business with Fulton County shall provide to all businesses the opportunity to participate in contracting and procurement paid, in whole or in part, with monetary appropriations of the Board. Similarly, it is the policy of the Board that the contracting and procurement practices of Fulton County should not implicate Fulton County as either an active or passive participant in the discriminatory practices engaged in by private contractors or vendors seeking to obtain contracts with Fulton County.

Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan): In addition to the proposal submission requirements, each vendor **must** submit an Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan) with their bid/proposal. The EBO Plan is designed to enhance the utilization of a particular racial, gender or ethnic group by a bidder/proposer, contractor, or vendor or by Fulton County. The respondent **must** outline a plan of action to encourage and achieve diversity and equality in the available procurement and contracting opportunities with *this solicitation*.

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1. Potential opportunities within the scope of work of *this solicitation* that will allow for participation of racial, gender or ethnic groups.
2. Efforts that will be made by the bidder/proposer to encourage and solicit minority and female business utilization in *this solicitation*.

Fulton County encourages joint ventures, teaming, partnering and mentor-protégé relationships with minority and female businesses in an effort to achieve contracting and procurement diversity.

Prompt Payment: The prime contractor **must** certify in writing and **must** document on the Exhibit G Form (Prime Contractor/Subcontractor Utilization Report) that all subcontractors, sub-consultants and suppliers have been promptly paid for work and materials, (less any retainage by the prime contractor prior to receipt of any further progress payments). In the event the prime contractor is unable to pay subcontractors, sub-consultants or suppliers until it has received a progress payment from Fulton County, the prime contractor shall pay all subcontractors, sub-consultants or suppliers funds due from said progress payment within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt of payment from Fulton County. In no event shall a subcontractor, sub-consultant or supplier be paid later than fifteen (15) days as provided for by state law.

REQUIRED FORMS AND EBO PLAN

In order to be compliant with the intent and provisions of the Fulton County Non-Discrimination in Purchasing and Contracting Ordinance (99-0960), bidders/proposers **must** submit the following completed documents. Failure to provide this information **shall** result in the proposal being deemed non-responsive.

- **Exhibit A** – Promise of Non-Discrimination
- **Exhibit B** – Employment Report
- **Exhibit C** – Schedule of Intended Subcontractor Utilization
- **Exhibit D** – Letter of Intent to Perform as a Subcontractor or Provide Materials or Services
- **Exhibit E** – Declaration Regarding Subcontractors Practices
- **Exhibit F** – Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit
- **Equal Business Opportunity Plan (EBO Plan)** – This document is not a form. It is a statement created by the bidder/proposer on its company letter head addressing the EBO Plan requirements.

All Contract Compliance documents (Exhibits A – F and EBO Plan) are to be placed in a **separate sealed envelope** clearly marked “Contract Compliance”. The EBO Plan must be submitted on company letterhead. These documents are considered part of and should be submitted with the Technical Proposal.

The following document must be completed as instructed if awarded the project:

- **Exhibit G** – Prime Contractor’s Subcontractor Utilization Report

EXHIBIT A – PROMISE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

“Know all persons by these presents, that I/We (_____),
Name

Title	Firm Name
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Hereinafter “Company”, in consideration of the privilege to bid on or obtain contracts funded, in whole or in part, by Fulton County, hereby consent, covenant and agree as follows:

- 1) No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefit of, or otherwise discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin or gender in connection with any bid submitted to Fulton County for the performance of any resulting there from,
- 2) That it is and shall be the policy of this Company to provide equal opportunity to all businesses seeking to contract or otherwise interested in contracting with this Company without regard to the race, color, gender or national origin of the ownership of this business,
- 3) That the promises of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall be continuing in nature and shall remain in full force and effect without interruption,
- 4) That the promise of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall be made a part of, and incorporated by reference into, any contract or portion thereof which this Company may hereafter obtain,
- 5) That the failure of this Company to satisfactorily discharge any of the promises of non-discrimination as made and set forth herein shall constitute a material breach of contract entitling the Board to declare the contract in default and to exercise any and all applicable rights and remedies, including but not limited to cancellation of the contract, termination of the contract, suspension and debarment from future contracting opportunities, and withholding and/or forfeiture of compensation due and owing on a contract; and
- 6) That the bidder shall provide such information as may be required by the Director of Contract Compliance pursuant to Section 4.4 of the Fulton County Non-Discrimination in Purchasing and Contracting Ordinance.

SIGNATURE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EXHIBIT B – EMPLOYMENT REPORT

The demographic employment make-up for the bidder/proposer **must** be identified and submitted with this bid/proposal. In addition, if subcontractors will be utilized by the bidder/proposer to complete this project, then the demographic employment make-up of the subcontractor(s) must be identified and submitted with this bid.

EMPLOYEES

CATEGORY	NATIVE AMERICAN		AFRICAN AMERICAN		ASIAN AMERICAN		HISPANIC AMERICAN		CAUCASIAN AMERICAN		OTHER	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Male/Female												
Mgmt/Official												
Professional												
Supervisors												
Office/ Clerical												
Craftsmen												
Laborers												
Other (specify)												
TOTALS												

FIRM'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

This completed form is for (Check one) Bidder/Proposer Subcontractor

Submitted by: _____ **Date Completed:** _____

EXHIBIT C - SCHEDULE OF INTENDED SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION

If the bidder/proposer intends to subcontract any portion of this scope of work/service(s), this form **must be** completed and **submitted with the bid/proposal**. All prime bidders/proposers **must** include Letter(s) of Intent (Exhibit D) in the bid document for all subcontractors who will be utilized under the scope of work/services.

Prime Bidder/Proposer: _____

ITB/RFP Number: _____

Project Name or Description of Work/Service(s): _____

1. My firm, as Prime Bidder/Proposer on this scope of work/service(s) is _____ is not _____ a minority or female owned and controlled business enterprise. (Please indicate below the portion of work, including, percentage of bid/proposal amount that your firm will carry out directly):

2. If the Prime Bidder/Proposer is a Joint Venture, please complete Exhibit F: Joint Venture Disclosure Affidavit and attach a copy of the executed Joint Venture Agreement.
3. Sub-Contractors (including suppliers) to be utilized in the performance of this scope of work/service(s), if awarded, are:

SUBCONTRACTOR NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ **COUNTY CERTIFIED**** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ **PERCENTAGE VALUE:** _____ %

***Ethnic Groups: African American (AABE); Asian American (ABE); Hispanic American (HBE); Native American (NABE); White Female American (WFBE); **If yes, please attach copy of recent certification.**

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

SUBCONTRATOR NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ETHNIC GROUP*: _____ COUNTY CERTIFIED** _____

WORK TO BE PERFORMED: _____

DOLLAR VALUE OF WORK: \$ _____ PERCENTAGE VALUE: _____ %

***Ethnic Groups: African American (AABE); Asian American (ABE); Hispanic American (HBE); Native American (NABE); White Female American (WFBE); **If yes, please attach copy of recent certification.**

Total Dollar Value of Subcontractor Agreements: (\$)

Total Percentage Value: (%)

CERTIFICATION: The undersigned certifies that he/she has read, understands and agrees to be bound by the Bid/Proposer provisions, including the accompanying Exhibits and other terms and conditions regarding sub-contractor utilization. The undersigned further certifies that he/she is legally authorized by the Bidder/Proposer to make the statement and representation in this Exhibit and that said statements and representations are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge and belief. The undersigned understands and agrees that if any of the statements and representations are made by the Bidder/Proposer knowing them to be false, or if there is a failure of the intentions, objectives and commitments set forth herein without prior approval of the County, then in any such event the Contractor's acts or failure to act, as the case may be, shall constitute a material breach of the contract, entitling the County to terminate the Contract for default. The right to so terminate shall be in addition to, and in lieu of, any other rights and remedies the County may have for other defaults under the contract.

Signature: _____ **Title:** _____

Firm or Corporate Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____

Fax Number: () _____

Email Address: _____

EXHIBIT D

**LETTER OF INTENT TO PERFORM AS A SUBCONTRACTOR
OR
PROVIDE MATERIALS OR SERVICES**

This form **must** be completed by **ALL** known subcontractor and submitted with the bid/proposal. The Prime Contractor **must** submit Letters of Intent for **ALL** known subcontractors at time of bid submission.

To: _____
(Name of Prime Contractor Firm)

From: _____
(Name of Subcontractor Firm)

ITB/RFP Number: _____

Project Name: _____

The undersigned is prepared to perform the following described work or provide materials or services in connection with the above project (specify in detail particular work items, materials, or services to be performed or provided):

Description of Work	Project Commence Date	Project Completion Date	Estimated Dollar Amount

(Prime Bidder)

(Subcontractor)

Signature _____

Signature _____

Title _____

Title _____

Date _____

Date _____

EXHIBIT E - DECLARATION REGARDING SUBCONTRACTING PRACTICES

If the bidder/proposer **does not intend to subcontract** any portion of the scope of work services(s), this form **must be** completed and submitted with the bid/proposal.

_____ hereby declares that it is my/our intent to
(Bidder)

perform 100% of the work required for _____
(ITB/RFP Number)

(Description of Work)

In making this declaration, the bidder/proposer states the following:

1. That the bidder/proposer does not customarily subcontract elements of this type project, and normally performs and has the capability to perform and will perform **all elements** of the work on this project with his/her own current work forces;
2. If it should become necessary to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date, the bidder/proposer will comply with all requirements of the County's Non-Discrimination Ordinance in providing equal opportunities to all firms to subcontract the work. The determination to subcontract some portion of the work at a later date shall be made in good faith and the County reserves the right to require additional information to substantiate a decision made by the bidder/proposer to subcontract work following the award of the contract. Nothing contained in this provision shall be employed to circumvent the spirit and intent of the County's Non-Discrimination Ordinances;
3. The bidder will provide, upon request, information sufficient for the County to verify Item Number one.

AUTHORIZED COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE

Name: _____ **Title:** _____ **Date:** _____

Signature: _____

Firm: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email Address: _____

EXHIBIT F - JOINT VENTURE DISCLOSURE AFFIDAVIT

ITB/RFP No. _____

Project Name _____

This form must be completed and submitted with the bid/proposal if a joint venture approach is to be undertaken.

In order to evaluate the extent of small, minority and female business involvement being proposed by a Bidder/Proposer, certain relevant information must be provided prior to contract award. The information requested below is to clearly identify and explain the extent of small business participation in the proposed joint venture. All items must be properly addressed before the business entity can be evaluated.

1. Firms:1) **Name of Business:** _____**Street Address:** _____**Telephone No.:** _____**Nature of Business:** _____2) **Name of Business:** _____**Street Address:** _____**Telephone No.:** _____**Nature of Business:** _____3) **Name of Business:** _____**Street Address:** _____**Telephone No.:** _____**Nature of Business:** _____**NAME OF JOINT VENTURE (If applicable):** _____**ADDRESS:** _____**PRINCIPAL OFFICE:** _____**OFFICE PHONE:** _____

Note: Attach additional sheets as required

1. Describe the capital contributions by each joint venturer and accounting thereof.
2. Describe the financial controls of the joint venture, e.g., will a separate cost center be established? Which venturer will be responsible for keeping the books? How will the expense therefore be reimbursed? What is the authority of each joint venture to commit or obligate the order?
3. Describe any ownership, options for ownership, or loans between the joint ventures. Identify terms thereof.
4. Describe the estimated contract cash flow for each joint venturer.
5. To what extent and by whom will the on-site work be supervised?
6. To what extent and by whom will the administrative office be supervised?
7. Which joint venturer will be responsible for material purchases including the estimated cost thereof? How will the purchase be financed?
8. Which joint venturer will provide equipment? What is the estimated cost thereof? How will the equipment be financed?
9. Describe the experience and business qualifications of each joint venturer.
10. Submit a copy of all joint venture agreements and evidence of authority to do business in the State of Georgia as well as locally, to include all necessary business licenses.
11. Percent of Minority/Female Business Enterprises ownership by each joint venture in terms of profit and loss sharing: _____

12. The authority of each joint venturer to commit or obligate the other: _____

13. Number of personnel to be involved in project, their crafts and positions and whether they are employees of the Minority/Female Business Enterprises enterprise, the majority firm or the joint venture: _____

14. Identification of control and participation in venture; list those individuals who are responsible for day-to-day management and policy decision-maker, including, but not limited to, those with prime responsibility for areas designated below; (use additional sheets if necessary)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Financial Decisions</u>	<u>Supervision Field Operation</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

In connection with any work that these firms, as a joint venture, might be authorized to perform in connection with above captioned contract, we each do hereby authorize representatives of the Fulton County Department of Contract Compliance, Departments of Purchasing and Finance, under the direction of the County Manger's Office, to examine, from time to time, the books, records and files to the extent that such relate to this County project.

WE DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE AND AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY THAT THE CONTENTS OF THE FOREGOING DOCUMENT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, AND THAT WE ARE AUTHORIZED, ON BEHALF OF THE ABOVE FIRMS, TO MAKE THIS AFFIDAVIT AND GRANT THE ABOVE PRIVILEGE.

FOR _____
(Company)

Date: _____

(Signature of Affiant)

(Printed Name)

(Company)

Date: _____

(Signature of Affiant)

(Printed Name)

State of _____:

County of _____:

On this ____ day of _____, 20____, before me, appeared

_____, the undersigned known to me to be the person

described in the foregoing Affidavit and acknowledge that he (she) executed the same in the capacity therein stated and for the purpose therein contained.

EXHIBIT – G PRIME CONTRACTOR/SUB-CONTRACTOR UTILIZATION REPORT

This report **must** be submitted by the **tenth day** of each month, along with a copy of your monthly invoice (schedule of values/payment application) to Contract Compliance. Failure to comply **shall** result in the County commencing proceedings to impose sanctions to the prime contractor, in addition to pursuing any other available legal remedy. Sanctions may include the suspending of any payment or part thereof, termination or cancellation of the contract, and the denial of participation in any future contracts awarded by Fulton County.

REPORTING PERIOD		PROJECT NAME:	
FROM:		PROJECT NUMBER:	
TO:		PROJECT LOCATION:	

PRIME CONTRACTOR		Contract Award Date	Contract Award Amount	Change Order Amount	Contract Period	% Complete to Date
Name:						
Address:						
Telephone #:						

AMOUNT OF REQUISITION THIS PERIOD: \$ _____
TOTAL AMOUNT REQUISITION TO DATE: \$ _____

SUBCONTRACTOR UTILIZATION (add additional rows as necessary)

Name of Sub-Contractor	Description of Work	Contract Amount	Amount Paid To Date	Amount Requisition This Period	Contract Period	
					Starting Date	Ending Date
TOTALS						

Executed By: _____
(Signature)

(Printed Name)

Notary: _____

Date: _____

My Commission Expires: _____

EQUAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY PLAN (EBO PLAN)

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**SAMPLE CONTRACT BETWEEN FULTON COUNTY
AND _____.**

THIS CONTRACT, entered into this ____ day of _____ 2005, by and between **FULTON COUNTY** (hereinafter referred to as "County"), a political subdivision of the State of Georgia, acting by and through its duly elected Board of Commissioners, and _____ (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the County, through its General Services Department, has identified the need for **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes;

WHEREAS, the County by and through its General Services Department, has determined that this need can best be met by retaining the services of a **shoeshine** contractor;

WHEREAS, the County requested a formal bid for **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes;

WHEREAS, the County and Contractor desire to enter into a Contract for provision of such services, the scope of services which is more specifically defined in Article III of the Contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and for other good and valuable consideration, the parties hereunto agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 - ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

Paragraph 1.0 Contractor shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and be binding to the extent allowable by law on the parties hereto, their heirs, successors, administrators, executors and assigns. Contractor shall not sell or in any way assign any parties, payments, rights, privileges, detriments, or benefits provided for in this Contract to any entity or person without the prior express written consent of the County. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. Any attempted assignment or subcontracting by Contractor without the prior expressed written consent of Fulton County shall at Fulton County's sole option terminate this Contract without any notice to Contractor of such termination.

ARTICLE II - TERM

Paragraph 2.0 The time of performance shall begin on the date the contract is signed by both County and Contractor following Fulton County Board of Commissioners approval of the award and continue for (60) consecutive months. Fulton County reserves the right to renew the Contract for one additional 60-month period pending satisfactory Contract performance, as well as compliance with County rules, policies and Contract terms and conditions.

ARTICLE III - SCOPE OF WORK

Paragraph 3.0 The County retains Contractor and Contractor accepts retention by the County to render **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice

Center Complexes; as specified by Fulton County Invitation to Bid (ITB) #_____, Contractor's bid and any and all clarifications or amendments thereto, all of which are incorporated herein, made part of this Contract, and referred to collectively as the "Contract Documents". Contractor shall perform all such services, including any and all agreed upon in written amendments, in the manner and to the extent agreed to by the parties herein. ITB #_____ is hereby attached and incorporated herein as Attachment A. Contractor's bid is hereby attached and incorporated herein as Attachment B. Contractor is to furnish all labor, equipment, transportation, material, insurance, and other requirements necessary to provide **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes; as specified in Attachment A.

Paragraph 3.1 Contractor shall commence providing **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes; as stated in the Invitation to Bid (ITB #_____) and Contractor's own response to that bid (**Attachments A & B respectively**). In the event there is a conflict between the scope of work described in the Invitation to Bid and the Contractor's own bid, the description in the Invitation to Bid takes precedence. In the event that specifications in either the Invitation to Bid or the Contractor's own bid lack detailed descriptions concerning performance, the best commercial practices in the industry shall be used and only materials of the correct type, size and design are to be used. All workmanship and quality of materials shall be first quality as determined by the sole discretion of the County. Any equipment or supplies determined by the County to be improper or insufficient to the task to be performed shall be replaced immediately with County approved equipment/supplies. This will be done at no

additional cost to the County.

Paragraph 3.2 Any additional services that are to be performed by Contractor and not included in the ITB or the bid response must be approved by the County pursuant to Change Order Policy and Procedure 800-6 in advance of Contractor providing services and billed at the unit rate stated in the bid response.

Paragraph 3.3 The silence of this Contract, or any of the documents incorporated into it by reference with regard to items or services typically a part of the contracted service shall not relieve Contractor of the obligation to perform.

ARTICLE IV - AUDIT

Paragraph 4.0 The County shall have the right to review Contractor's records and documents, upon reasonable notice, to determine if the Contractor's recorded sales data is consistent with the record number of customers served.. Contractor shall permit the County's Internal Audit Department to inspect and audit all files of Contractor relevant to its performance under this Contract for thirty-six (36) months after this contract ends. Contractor file shall be retained by Contractor during the term of the Contract and for thirty-six (36) months after this contract ends for purpose of such audit and inspection.

Paragraph 4.1 The County's authorized representative shall have the right to supervise the **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes performed by the Contractor, with regard to the frequency and adequacy of services provided. The Director, General Services Department shall provide Contractor, in writing, the name and contact information for the County's authorized representative prior

to the contract start date.

Paragraph 4.2 Contractor agrees to include audit requirements specified in Section 4.0 above in any and all contracts with subcontractors, consultants, or agents whose services will be charged directly or indirectly to the County under the Contract herein.

ARTICLE V - COMPENSATION FOR SCOPE OF WORK

Paragraph 5.0 The services described under "Scope of Work" herein shall be performed by Contractor for the bid prices. The Contractor's customers are solely responsible for paying Contractor for the services Contractor performs. The Contractor shall operate on a strict profit/loss basis; Fulton County will not subsidize any portion of the **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes.

ARTICLE VI - RESPONSIBILITY FOR CLAIMS AND LIABILITY

Paragraph 6.0 **CONTRACTOR** shall indemnify and hold harmless the **COUNTY** and its agents, employees, successors, and assigns from and against all loss, cost, damage, claim, suit and judgment, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the negligent, intentional or willful performance or non-performance of the work. **CONTRACTOR'S** duty to indemnify applies in connection with, but is not limited to, injury or death of any person or persons, loss of or damage to property caused by or in any way connected with **CONTRACTOR'S** negligent, intentional or willful performance or non-performance of the work, whether such injury, death, loss or damage results from any cause whatsoever. The **CONTRACTOR'S** duty to indemnify shall extend to all claims,

damage, loss or expense caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of the **CONTRACTOR**, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable. **CONTRACTOR** shall not hold harmless or indemnify the **COUNTY** for the sole acts or omissions of the County's employees or agents. **CONTRACTOR'S** obligation to protect, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, as set forth hereinabove, shall also include but is not limited to any matter arising out of any actual or alleged infringement of any patent, trademark, copyright, or service mark, or any actual or alleged unfair competition disparagement of product or service, or other business tort of any type whatsoever, or any actual or alleged violation of trade regulations. **CONTRACTOR** further agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the **COUNTY** and its officers, agents and employees from and against any and all claims or liability for compensation under the Worker's Compensation Act arising out of injuries sustained by any employees of **CONTRACTOR**. These indemnities shall not be limited by reason of the listing of any insurance coverage.

ARTICLE VII - TERMINATION

Paragraph 7.0 If through any cause, other than the actions or failure to act of the County, Contractor shall fail to perform the **shoeshine services** in the Fulton County Government and Justice Center Complexes; as specified in this Contract, including the Bid Documents, in a satisfactory, timely and proper manner after (1) receipt of notice of such failure and (2) a ten (10) day cure period after receipt of notice of such failure, or in the event that any of the provisions or stipulations of this Contract are violated by Contractor

and continue to be violated ten (10) days following receipt of written notice of such violation, the County shall thereupon have the right to immediately terminate this Contract by serving written notice to Contractor of its intent to terminate the Contract. If the Contract is terminated by County, Contractor will be compensated for the work satisfactorily performed up to the termination date.

Paragraph 7.1 In the event that the County determines that it is no longer in its best interest to provide these services through the use of an independent contractor, the County may terminate this Contract, without any liability whatsoever upon the County, by giving (30) days notice in writing (by hand delivery or posting in the U.S. Mail) to Contractor.

Paragraph 7.2 In the event that the Contractor determines that it is no longer in its best interest to provide this service, the Contractor may terminate this Contract by giving (30) days written notice to the County. The notice should state the reason for such action.

Paragraph 7.3 Upon termination of the Contract, the Contractor shall immediately turn over to the County all financial performance information in a completed form.

ARTICLE VIII - SUSPENSION OF WORK

Paragraph 8.0 COUNTY may order CONTRACTOR in writing to suspend, delay or interrupt all or any part of the work for such period of time as it may determine appropriate for the convenience of COUNTY. COUNTY shall not be responsible for any claims, damages or cost stemming from any delay of the project

ARTICLE IX - INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

Paragraph 9.0 Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to create any relationship other than that of an independent contractor between the County and Contractor. Under no circumstances shall Contractor, its subcontractor, directors, officers, employees, agents, partners, successors or assigns be deemed employees, agents, partners, successors, assigns or legal representatives of the County. Contractor acknowledges that its subcontractors, directors, officers, employees, agents and assigns shall have no right of redress pursuant to the Personnel Rules and Regulations of Fulton County.

ARTICLE X - PROVIDE COUNTY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Paragraph 10.0 All insurance shall be provided to and accepted by the County in accordance with the requirements stated in the specifications of the Bid Documents.

Paragraph 10.1 Contractor acknowledges that insurance meets all requirements under state law including solvency of surety and status of Georgia surety.

Paragraph 10.2 It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to monitor the status of the insurance company to be certain that the policies continue to be current and valid during the entire term of the Contract. If a policy becomes invalid for any reason, the Contractor must provide the County with a current, valid policy within ten (10) days.

ARTICLE XI - VARIATIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO CONTRACT

Paragraph 11.0 This Contract and the incorporated documents constitutes the entire Contract between the County and Contractor and there are no further written or oral Contracts with respect thereto. No variation or modification of this Contract, and no waiver of this provision, shall be valid unless in writing, comply with Change Order Policy 800-6 and approved by the Board of Commissioners.

ARTICLE XII - NON-DISCRIMINATION

Paragraph 12.0 Contractor agrees to comply with federal and state laws, rules and regulations and the County's policy relative to non-discrimination in employment practices and to non-discrimination in client and client services practices regarding political affiliation, religion, race, color, sex, disability, age or national origin.

ARTICLE XIII - SEVERABILITY OF TERMS

Paragraph 13.0 If any part or provision of this Contract is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract shall not be affected thereby and shall continue in full force and effect.

ARTICLE XIV - CAPTIONS

Paragraph 14.0 The captions are inserted herein only as a matter of convenience and for reference and in no way defines, limits or describe the scope of this Contract or the intent of the provision thereof.

ARTICLE XV - NOTICES

Paragraph 15.0 Any and all notices referred under this Contract shall be sent, via certified mail, to the following individual on behalf of Fulton County:

_____, Manager
Central Fulton Service Area

141 Pryor St., Suite G-119
Atlanta, Ga. 30303

Provide copies to the Director of Fulton County General Services Department and the County Attorney.

Furthermore, any and all notices required under this Contract shall be sent via certified mail, to the following individual on behalf of the Contractor.

ARTICLE XVI - WAIVER OF BREACH

Paragraph 16.0 The waiver by either party of a breach or violation of any provision of this Contract, shall not operate or be construed to be, a waiver of any subsequent breach or violation of the same or other provision thereof.

ARTICLE XVII - COOPERATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS

Paragraph 17.0 **CONTRACTOR** will undertake the Scope of Services in cooperation with and in coordination with other studies, projects or related work performed for, with or by **COUNTY** employees, appointed with other contractors, **CONTRACTOR** shall fully cooperate with such other related consultants and **COUNTY** employees or appointed committees. **CONTRACTOR** shall provide within his schedule or work, time and effort to

coordinate with other contractors under contract with **COUNTY**. **CONTRACTOR** shall not commit or permit any act, which will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractors or by **COUNTY** employees.

ARTICLE XVIII – FORCE MAJEURE

Paragraph 18.0 Neither the County nor the Contractor shall be deemed in violation of this Contract if either is prevented from performing its obligations hereunder for any reason beyond its control, including but not limited to, acts of God, civil or military authority, acts of public enemy, war, accidents, fires, explosions, earthquakes, floods, or catastrophic failure of public transportation, provided however, that nothing herein shall relieve or be construed to relieve the Contractor from performing its obligations hereunder in the event of riots, rebellions, or legal strikes.

ARTICLE XIX - PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

Paragraph 19.0 **CONTRACTOR** shall identify in writing an individual who shall have sole authority to represent **CONTRACTOR** on all manners pertaining to this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** represents that it has secured or will secure, at its own expense, all equipment and personnel necessary to complete Contractor's Services under the Contract, none of whom shall be employees of or have any contractual relationship with **COUNTY**. All of the services required hereunder will be performed by **CONTRACTOR** under his supervision and all personnel engaged in the work shall be fully qualified and shall be authorized or permitted under law to perform such services.

ARTICLE XX - GOVERNING LAW

Paragraph 20.0 This Contract shall be governed in all respects as to validity, construction, capacity, performance or otherwise by the laws of the State of Georgia.

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In witness whereof, the parties have executed this *contract* .

For Contractor

(seal)

For Fulton County

Approved as to Form:

Attest:

Office of the County Attorney

Mark Massey
Clerk to the Commissioners

(seal)

Approved as to Content:

Director
General Services Department

Karen Handel
Chair
Board of Commissioners