



**Boca Raton Authority Airport  
903 NW 35th Street  
Boca Raton, FL 33431**

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

**RFP NO.: 2025-BRAA-004**

**Title: Audit Services**

**DUE DATE AND TIME: Monday, July 28, 2025 at 3:00 P.M. (LOCAL TIME)**

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Sealed Proposals must be received on or before the due date and time (local time) listed below. Written Proposals shall be limited to a maximum of fifteen (15) pages, excluding financial information and litigation and other contract dispute information.

Proposers shall submit five (5) complete copies and one (1) electronic copy (thumb drive) of all requested material to:

Boca Raton Airport Authority, front lobby reception desk  
903 NW 35th St.  
Boca Raton, FL 33431  
RE: RFP # 2025-BRAA-004

Normal business hours for the Boca Raton Airport Authority (BRAA) are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

**SEALED PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 3:00 P.M., EASTERN STANDARD TIME (EST) ON MONDAY, July 28, 2025.**

BRAA will not accept electronically transmitted, late, or misdirected proposals. Proposers are cautioned that they are responsible for delivery to the specific location cited above. Therefore, if your Proposal is delivered by an express mail carrier or by any other means, it is your responsibility to ensure delivery to the above address. The time and date for receipt of Proposals will be strictly observed. The BRAA will not be responsible for late deliveries or mail delays. Each Proposal will be time/date stamped upon receipt. Proposals received after the specified time and date shall be returned unopened.

Each hard copy Proposal submitted to the BRAA shall have the following information clearly marked on the face of the sealed package: Proposer's name, return address, RFP number, due date for Proposals, and the title of the RFP. Included in the envelope shall be a one (1) original hard copy, a signed Proposal

Submittal Signature Page, four (4) duplicate hard copies, and one (1) electronic copy on a thumb drive. If the Proposal Submittal Signature Page is not included in the package as an original hard copy, the BRAA may deem the Proposal non-responsive. Proposals must contain all information required to be included in the submittal, as described in this solicitation.

## **CONTACT**

Any questions regarding the specifications and solicitation process must be submitted in writing to the Executive Director at [clara@bocaairport.com](mailto:clara@bocaairport.com). Requests for clarification and additional information must be received by the Deadline for Requests for Clarification on Monday, July 21, 2025 at 3:00 P.M. Local Time.

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 2025-BRAA-004  
Audit Services

The Boca Raton Airport Authority (“BRAA”) is soliciting proposals from qualified, experienced and licensed firms of Certified Public Accountants for Audit Services in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Request for Proposal.

Request for Proposal documents are available beginning Friday, June 27, 2025 on the Boca Raton Airport Authority website at [www.bocaairport.com](http://www.bocaairport.com) or by contacting the Boca Raton Airport Authority by e-mail at [clara@bocaairport.com](mailto:clara@bocaairport.com) or by phone at (561) 391-2202.

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| Date of Advertisement                         | Friday, June 27, 2025                                 |
| Deadline for Requests for Clarification       | Monday, July 21, 2025 at 3:00 P.M.<br>Local Time      |
| Deadline for Submission of Proposals          | Monday, July 28, 2025 at 3:00 P.M.<br>Local Time      |
| ASC Meeting to Shortlist, as deemed necessary | Friday, August 1, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.<br>Local Time     |
| ASC Meeting for Interviews and Final Ranking  | Friday, August 8, 2025 at 9:00 A.M.<br>Local Time     |
| BRAA Board Meeting - Contract Award           | Wednesday, August 20, 2025 at 5:00<br>P.M. Local Time |

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In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities who require special accommodations to participate in this solicitation should contact the Boca Raton Airport Authority office at (561) 391-2022 to request such accommodations.

Federal Laws and regulations require specific clauses in certain contracts, solicitations, or specifications regardless of whether or not the project is federally funded. The applicable specific clauses that are required to be referenced in this bid advertisement are as follows.

**Civil Rights – Notice Solicitation**

The Boca Raton Airport Authority, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

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Clara Bennett, Executive Director

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## SECTION 1

### PROJECT OVERVIEW

- 1.1 The Boca Raton Airport Authority (BRAA), is soliciting Proposals from qualified Proposers for Audit Services.
- 1.2 The BRAA intends to award a contract(s) for a three-year period covering fiscal years 2025, 2026, and 2027 with the option to renew for an additional two – one-year options, at the BRAA’s sole discretion. Upon the expiration of the original and renewal contract periods, the BRAA may extend these contractual services on a year to year basis in accordance with Florida Statutes.
- 1.3 The Method of Award for this solicitation will be to the Proposer(s) determined to be responsive and responsible with the highest ranking or scores. The BRAA reserves the right to award a single contract for all services or multiple contracts, whichever is in the BRAA’s best interest.
- 1.4 The anticipated schedule for this solicitation is as follows:

| ITEM | EVENT   | DATE/TIME   |
|------|---|---|
| a.   | Issue RFP   | June 27, 2025                                       |
| b.   | Institute Cone of Silence   | June 27, 2025                                       |
| c.   | Deadline for Requests for Clarifications                              | July 21, 2025 at 3:00 P.M.<br>Local Time            |
| d.   | RFP Due Date and Time   | July 28, 2025 at 3:00<br>P.M. Local Time            |
| e.   | Auditor Selection Committee Meeting to Shortlist, as deemed necessary | August 1, 2025 at 1:00 P.M.<br>Local Time           |
| f.   | ASC Meeting for Interviews and Final Ranking                          | Thursday, August 8, 2025 at<br>9:00 A.M. Local Time |
| g.   | BRAA Board Meeting – Contract Award                                   | August 20, 2025 at 5:00 P.M.<br>Local Time          |

- 1.5 The Auditor Selection Committee meeting schedule may change as deemed necessary by the Committee. Further, the Auditor Selection Committee will determine at a later date whether the Meeting to Shortlist is necessary, and Respondents will be notified accordingly. Respondents should visit the Boca Raton Airport Authority website at [www.bocaairport.com](http://www.bocaairport.com) for the most current meeting schedule.

## SECTION 2

### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 2.1 DEFINITIONS

- a. Proposal: Any offer(s) submitted in response to this Request for Proposal.
- b. Proposer: Person or firm submitting a response to this Request for Proposal.
- c. Solicitation or Request for Proposal: This solicitation documentation, including any and all addenda.
- d. Proposal Submittal forms: Forms that describe the goods or services to be purchased, and must be completed and submitted with the Proposal.
- e. BRAA or Authority: The Boca Raton Airport Authority.
- f. Contract or Agreement: Request for Proposal, all addenda issued thereto, all affidavits, the signed agreement, and all related documents that comprise the totality of the contract or agreement between the BRAA and the Proposer.
- g. Contractor: Selected Proposer that is awarded a contract to provide the goods or services to the BRAA.
- h. Responsible Proposer: Proposer that has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements, as stated in the Request for Proposals, and the integrity and reliability that will assure good-faith performance.
- i. Responsive Proposer: Proposer whose Proposal conforms in all material respects to the terms and conditions included in the Request for Proposals.
- j. Auditor Selection Committee or "ASC": A committee appointed by the Boca Raton Airport Authority Board and composed of at least three members, including, but not limited to, a Member of the Boca Raton Airport Authority Board, and two people external to the BRAA.

#### 2.2 CONE OF SILENCE

Pursuant to Section 16 of the Procurement Code of the BRAA, and subject to the exceptions described therein, any verbal or written communication between a Proposer or its representatives, employees or agents and the BRAA or any of its members, or the Executive Director or any of Executive Director's staff, consultants or agents regarding a solicitation is under a "cone of silence" and, with the exception of the communication expressly allowed under this RFP or under Section 16 of the Procurement Code, is strictly prohibited from the date of advertisement of the solicitation through the award of a contract or the final ranking of Proposers, whichever occurs first.

#### 2.3 ADDENDUM

The Executive Director may issue an addendum in response to any inquiry received, prior to the due date for Proposals, which changes, adds, or clarifies the terms, provisions, or

requirements of the solicitation. The Proposer should not rely on any representation, statement, or explanation, whether written or verbal, other than those made in the solicitation document or in the addenda issued. Where there appears to be a conflict between the solicitation and any addenda, the last addendum issued shall prevail. It is the Proposer's responsibility to ensure receipt of all addenda and any accompanying documentation. The Proposer is required to submit with its Proposal a signed "Acknowledgment of Addenda" form, when any addenda have been issued.

#### 2.4 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This solicitation is subject to all legal requirements contained in the BRAA enabling act (House Bill No. 1675), the applicable BRAA by-laws, resolutions, rules and regulations, standard operating policies, and insurance standards as well as all applicable State, and Federal statutes. Where conflict exists between this solicitation and these legal requirements, the legal authority shall apply in the following order: Federal, State, and local.

#### 2.5 CHANGE OF PROPOSAL

Prior to the scheduled due date for Proposals, a Proposer may change its Proposal by submitting a new Proposal (as indicated on the cover page) with a letter on the firm's letterhead, signed by an authorized agent stating that the new Proposal replaces the original Proposal. The new submittal shall contain the letter and all information as required for submitting the original Proposal. No changes to a Proposal will be accepted after Proposals have been opened.

#### 2.6 WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSAL

A Proposal shall be irrevocable unless the Proposal is withdrawn as provided herein. A Proposal may be withdrawn by submitting a written letter to the Executive Director prior to the due date for Proposals or ninety (90) days after the Proposal has been opened and prior to award. The effective date of the withdrawal shall be the date the Executive Director's receives the letter. The withdrawal letter must be on company letterhead and signed by an authorized agent of the Proposer.

#### 2.7 CONFLICTS WITHIN THE SOLICITATION

Where there appears to be a conflict between the General Terms and Conditions, Special Conditions, the Scope of Services, and/or Description of Items, the Proposal Submittal forms, or any addendum issued, the order of precedence shall be: the last addendum issued, the Proposal Submittal forms, the Scope of Services and/or Description of Items, the

Special Conditions, and then the General Terms and Conditions.

## 2.8 PROMPT PAYMENT TERMS

It is the policy of the BRAA that payment for all purchases by BRAA shall be made in a timely manner. The BRAA will pay the selected Proposer upon receipt and acceptance of the goods or services by a duly authorized representative of the BRAA. In accordance with Section 218.74, Florida Statutes, the time at which payment shall be due from the BRAA shall be forty-five (45) days from receipt of a proper invoice. Proceedings to resolve disputes for payment of obligations shall be concluded by final written decision of the Executive Director or designee, not later than sixty (60) days after the date on which the proper invoice was received by the BRAA.

## 2.9 DISCOUNTS (PROMPT PAYMENTS)

The Proposer may offer cash discounts for prompt payments; however, such discounts will not be considered in determining the selected Proposer during the evaluation period. Proposers are requested to provide prompt payment terms in the space provided on the Proposal submittal forms signature page of the solicitation.

## 2.10 PREPARATION OF PROPOSALS

- a. The Proposal submittal forms define requirements of the services to be performed or the items to be purchased, and must be completed and submitted with the Proposal. Use of any other forms will result in the rejection of the Proposal. The Proposal submittal forms must be legible. Proposers shall use typewriter, computer, or ink. All changes must be crossed out and initialed in ink. Failure to comply with these requirements may cause the Proposal to be rejected.
- b. An authorized agent of the Proposer's firm must sign the Proposal submittal forms where indicated. Failure to sign the Signature Page of the Proposal shall render the Proposal non-responsive.
- c. The Proposer must identify any exceptions it takes to the terms and conditions of the solicitation and contract. Exceptions will not automatically result in the Proposer being deemed non-responsive; however, such a determination is at the discretion of the BRAA. Proposers are cautioned that they may be considered non-responsive if Proposals are conditioned to modifications, changes, or revisions to the terms and conditions of this solicitation.
- d. The Proposer may submit alternate Proposal(s) for the same solicitation provided that such offer is allowable under the terms and conditions. The alternate Proposal must meet or exceed the minimum requirements and be submitted as a separate Proposal marked "Alternate Proposal".
- e. When there is a discrepancy between the unit prices and any extended prices, the unit prices will prevail.

- f. Late Proposals will not be accepted and will be returned to the sender unopened. It is the Proposer's responsibility to ensure timely delivery by the due date and time, and at the place stated in this solicitation. No exceptions will be made due to weather, carrier, traffic, illness, or other issues.

## 2.11 CANCELLATION OF SOLICITATION

The BRAA reserves the right to cancel, in whole or in part, any Requests for Proposals when it is determined, in the Board's sole discretion, to be in the best interest of the BRAA.

## 2.12 PRE-AWARD INSPECTION

The BRAA may conduct a pre-award inspection of the Proposer's premises or hold a pre-award qualification hearing to determine if the Proposer is capable of performing the requirements of this solicitation.

## 2.13 AWARD OF CONTRACT

- a. This contract may be awarded to the responsive and responsible Proposer meeting all requirements as set forth in the solicitation. The BRAA reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, to waive irregularities or technicalities, and to re-advertise for all or any part of this solicitation as deemed in its best interest. The BRAA shall be the sole judge of its best interest.
- b. The BRAA reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals if it is determined that prices are excessive, best offers are determined to be unreasonable, or it is otherwise determined to be in the BRAA's best interest to do so.
- c. The Proposer's prior performance as a prime contractor or subcontractor on previous BRAA contracts shall be taken into account in evaluating the Proposal received for this solicitation.
- d. The BRAA will provide a copy of the ranking and scores to all Proposers responding to this solicitation.
- e. Award of this Proposal may be predicated on compliance with and submittal of all required documents as stipulated in the solicitation.
- f. The BRAA reserves the right to request and evaluate additional information from any Proposer after the due date for Proposals, as the BRAA deems necessary.

## 2.14 CONTRACT EXTENSION

The BRAA reserves the right to automatically extend any agreement for a maximum period not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days in order to provide BRAA with continual service and supplies while a new agreement is being solicited, evaluated, and/or successful. The Executive Director shall determine whether to extend the agreement, and shall exercise the right to automatically extend the agreement by written notice to the Proposer.

## 2.15 WARRANTY

All warranties express and implied shall be made available to the BRAA for goods and services covered by this solicitation. All goods furnished shall be fully guaranteed by the selected Proposer against factory defects and workmanship. At no expense to the BRAA, the selected Proposer shall correct any and all apparent and latent defects that may occur within the manufacturer's standard warranty.

#### 2.16 STANDARD OF CARE

The Proposer acknowledges that BRAA has accepted and relied upon Proposer's representations regarding Proposer's skill and expertise in the Proposer's industry. Therefore, Proposer represents that its services will be performed in a manner consistent with the highest standard of care, diligence, and skill exercised by nationally recognized firms for similar services. Proposer acknowledges that this representation is a material inducement to BRAA in awarding the contract and deviation from the standard of care referenced herein shall be a material breach of the Contract, compensable as provided herein, and as provided in the RFP documents and the Contract.

#### 2.17 NON-EXCLUSIVITY

It is the intent of the BRAA to enter into an agreement with the selected Proposer that will satisfy its needs as described herein. However, the BRAA reserves the right as deemed in its best interest to perform, or cause to be performed, the work and services, or any portion thereof, herein described in any manner it sees fit, including but not limited to, award of other contracts, use of any contractor, or perform the work with its own employees.

#### 2.18 CONTINUATION OF WORK

Any work that commences prior to and will extend beyond the expiration date of the current contract period shall, unless terminated by mutual written agreement between the BRAA and the selected Proposer, continue until completion at the same prices, terms, and conditions.

#### 2.19 PROTEST

In accordance with Sections 9 to 15 of the BRAA Procurement Code, if a Proposer intends to protest a solicitation or proposed award of a contract, the following shall apply:

- a. The written protest must be received no later than seven (7) calendar days after such actual or prospective Proposer knew or should have known the facts giving rise to the protest. Failure to file a timely formal written protest within the time period specified shall constitute a waiver by the Proposer of all rights of protest under this procedure.
- b. The Executive Director's consideration of a timely written protest shall not necessarily stay the award process, as may be in the best interest of the BRAA.

- c. The Executive Director shall have the authority to settle and resolve the protest if such a settlement or resolution is practicable in the Executive Director's opinion. If the protest is not resolved by mutual agreement, the Executive Director shall promptly issue a decision in writing, after consulting with the Airport Legal Counsel. The decision shall state the reasons for the action taken and inform the protestant of his or her right to Administrative review and of the appeal security requirements. A copy of this decision shall be mailed or otherwise furnished to the protestant.
- d. The proposal shall have the right to appeal the decision of the Executive Director in accordance with the protest and appeals procedures as set forth in Section 13 of the BRAA Procurement Code.

#### 2.20 LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The selected Proposer shall comply with all laws and regulations applicable to provide the goods or services specified in this solicitation. The Proposer shall be familiar with all federal, state, and local laws that may affect the goods and/or services offered.

#### 2.21 LICENSES, PERMITS AND FEES

The selected Proposer shall hold all licenses and/or certifications, obtain and pay for all permits and/or inspections, and comply with all laws, ordinances, regulations, and building code requirements applicable to the work required herein. Damages, penalties, and/or fines imposed on the BRAA or a selected Proposer for failure to obtain and maintain required licenses, certifications, permits, and/or inspections shall be borne by the selected Proposer.

#### 2.22 SUBCONTRACTING

Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, the selected Proposer shall not subcontract any portion of the work without the prior written consent of the BRAA. The ability to subcontract may be further limited by the Special Conditions. Subcontracting without the prior consent of the BRAA shall constitute a material breach of the agreement and may result in termination of the contract for default.

#### 2.23 ASSIGNMENT

The selected Proposer shall not assign, transfer, hypothecate, or otherwise dispose of this contract, including any rights, title, or interest therein, or its power to execute such contract to any person, company, or corporation without the prior written consent of the BRAA. Assignment without the prior consent of the BRAA may result in termination of the contract for default.

#### 2.24 SUBSTITUTION OF PERSONNEL

It is the intention of the BRAA that the selected Proposer's personnel proposed for the contract shall be available for the initial contract term. In the event the selected Proposer



wishes to substitute personnel, the selected Proposer shall propose personnel of equal or higher qualifications, and all replacement personnel are subject to the BRAA's approval. In the event the substitute personnel are not satisfactory to the BRAA, and the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the BRAA, the BRAA reserves the right to cancel the contract for cause.

## 2.25 LABOR, MATERIALS, AND EQUIPMENT

Unless specified elsewhere in the solicitation or resultant contract, all labor, materials, and equipment required for the performance of the requirements of the contract shall be supplied by the selected Proposer.

## 2.26 PROPOSER'S COSTS

The BRAA shall not be liable for any costs incurred by Proposers in responding to this Request for Proposals.

## 2.27 RESPONSIBILITIES AS EMPLOYER

The employee(s) of the selected Proposer shall be considered to be at all times its employee(s), and not an employee(s) or agent(s) of the BRAA or any of its departments. The selected Proposer shall provide physically competent employee(s) capable of performing the work as required. The BRAA may require the selected Proposer to remove any employee it deems unacceptable. All employees of the selected Proposer shall wear proper identification.

It is the selected Proposer's responsibility to ensure that all its employees and subcontractors comply with the employment regulations required by the US Department of Homeland Security. The BRAA shall have no responsibility to check or verify the legal immigration status of any employee of the selected Proposer.

## 2.28 INDEMNIFICATION

The selected Proposer shall indemnify and hold harmless the BRAA and its officers, employees, agents, and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses, or damages, including attorney's fees and costs of defense, which the BRAA or its officers, employees, agents, or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions, or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to, or resulting from the performance of the agreement by the selected Proposer or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals, or subcontractors. The selected Proposer shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith, and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits, or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the BRAA, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may be incurred thereon. The selected Proposer expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this contract agreement or otherwise provided by the selected Proposer shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless, and

defend the BRAA or its officers, employees, agents, and instrumentalities as herein provided.

Nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to affect the rights, privileges, and sovereign immunities of the BRAA as set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This paragraph shall not be construed to require selected Proposer to indemnify the BRAA for its own negligence, or intentional acts of the BRAA, its agents or employees. Each party assumes the risk of personal injury and property damage attributable to the acts or omissions of that party and its officers, employees and agents.

## 2.29 COLLUSION

A Proposer recommended for award as the result of a competitive solicitation for any BRAA purchase of supplies, materials, and services (including professional services, other than professional architectural, engineering, and other services subject to Sec. 287.055 Florida Stats.), purchase, lease, permit, concession, or management agreement shall, within five (5) business days of the filing of such recommendation, submit an affidavit under the penalty of perjury, on a form provided by the BRAA stating either that the contractor is not related to any of the other parties proposing in the competitive solicitation or identifying all related parties; and attesting that the Proposal is genuine and not a sham or collusive or made in the interest or on behalf of any person not therein named, and that the Proposer has not, directly or indirectly, induced or solicited any other Proposer to put in a sham Proposal, or any other person, firm, or corporation to refrain from proposing, and that the Proposer has not in any manner sought by collusion to secure to the Proposer an advantage over any other Proposer. In the event a recommended Proposer identifies related parties in the competitive solicitation, its Proposal shall be presumed to be collusive and the recommended Proposer shall be ineligible for award unless that presumption is rebutted to the satisfaction of the BRAA. Any person or entity that fails to submit the required affidavit shall be ineligible for contract award.

## 2.30 MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

The contract may be modified by mutual consent, in writing, through the issuance of a modification to the contract, a supplemental agreement, purchase order, or change order, as appropriate.

## 2.31 PURCHASE OF OTHER ITEMS

The BRAA reserves the right to purchase other related goods or services, not listed in the solicitation, during the contract term. When such requirements are identified, the BRAA may request a price quote from the selected Proposer on the contract. The BRAA, at its sole discretion, will determine if the prices offered are reasonable, and may choose to purchase the goods or services from the selected Proposer, another contract Proposer, or a non-contract Proposer.

## 2.32 TERMINATION:

- a. **Availability of funds:** If the term of this contract extends beyond a single fiscal year of the BRAA, the continuation of this contract beyond the end of any fiscal year shall be subject to the availability of funds from the BRAA. The Board shall be the final authority as to availability of funds and how such funds are to be allotted and expended. In the events funds for the project/purchase are not made available or otherwise allocated, the BRAA may terminate this contract upon thirty (30) days prior notice to the selected Proposer.
- b. **For convenience:** The BRAA, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to terminate any contract entered into pursuant to this Request for Proposals (RFP) with or without cause immediately upon providing written notice to the selected Proposer. Upon receipt of such notice, the selected Proposer shall not incur any additional costs under the contract. The BRAA shall be liable only for reasonable costs incurred by the selected Proposer prior to the date of the notice of termination. The BRAA shall be the sole judge of "reasonable costs."
- c. **For default:** The BRAA reserves the right to terminate this contract, in part or in whole, or place the vendor on probation in the event the selected Proposer fails to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions stated herein by providing written notice of such failure or default and by specifying a reasonable time period within which the selected Proposer must cure any such failure to perform or default. If the selected Proposer fails to cure the default within the time specified, the BRAA may then terminate the subject contract by providing written notice to the selected Proposer. The BRAA further reserves the right to suspend or debar the selected Proposer in accordance with the appropriate BRAA ordinances, resolutions, and/or policies. The vendor will be notified by letter of the BRAA's intent to terminate. In the event of termination for default, the BRAA may procure the required goods and/or services from any source and use any method deemed in its best interest. All re-procurement costs shall be borne by the incumbent Proposer.

## 2.33 ACCESS AND AUDIT OF RECORDS

The BRAA reserves the right to require the selected Proposer to submit to an audit by an auditor of the BRAA's choosing at the selected Proposer's expense. The selected Proposer shall provide access to all of its records, which relate directly or indirectly to this contract, at its place of business during regular business hours. The selected Proposer shall retain all records pertaining to this contract, and upon request, make them available to the BRAA for five (5) years following expiration of the contract. The selected Proposer agrees to provide such assistance as may be necessary to facilitate the review or audit by the BRAA to ensure compliance with applicable accounting and financial standards.

## 2.34 COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL STANDARDS

All items to be purchased under this contract shall be in accordance with all governmental standards, to include, but not be limited to, those issued by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the Department of Transportation (DOT), the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the National Institute of Occupational Safety Hazards (NIOSH), and the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

## 2.35 BINDING EFFECT

All of the terms and provisions of this contract/agreement, whether so expressed or not, shall be binding upon, inure to the benefit of, and be enforceable by the parties and their respective legal representatives, successors, and permitted assigns.

## 2.36 SEVERABILITY

In the event any term or provision of any contract or agreement entered into pursuant to this Solicitation is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining terms and provisions shall continue to be effective and shall be interpreted and given meaning to the greatest possible extent in the absence of any severed terms or provisions.

## 2.37 GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE

This contract and all transactions contemplated by this agreement shall be governed by and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida without regard to any contrary conflicts of law principle. Venue of all proceedings in connection herewith shall lie exclusively in Palm Beach County, Florida, and each party hereby waives whatever its respective rights may have been in the selection of venue.

## 2.38 ATTORNEY'S FEES

It is hereby understood and agreed that in the event any lawsuit in the judicial system, federal or state, is brought to enforce compliance with this contract or interpret same, or if any administrative proceeding is brought for the same purposes, each party shall pay their own attorney's fees and costs, including appellate fees and costs.

## 2.39 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND ANTI-DISCRIMINATION

The BRAA complies with all laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age, race, gender, religion, creed, political affiliation, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, color or national origin, and therefore is committed to assuring equal opportunity in the award of contracts and encourages small, local, minority, and female-owned businesses to participate.

During the performance of this contract, the selected Proposer agrees it will not discriminate or permit discrimination in its hiring practices or in its performance of

the contract. The selected Proposer shall strictly adhere to the equal employment opportunity requirements and any applicable requirements established by the State of Florida and the federal government.

The selected Proposer further acknowledges and agrees to provide the BRAA with all information and documentation that may be requested by the BRAA from time to time regarding the solicitation, selection, treatment, and payment of subcontractors, suppliers, and Proposers in connection with this contract.

#### 2.40 MINIMUM WAGE REQUIREMENTS

The selected Proposer shall comply with all minimum wage requirements, such as Living Wage requirements, minimum wages based on Federal Law, minimum wages based on the Davis-Bacon Act, and the provisions of any other employment laws, as may be applicable to this contract.

#### 2.41 PUBLIC RECORDS

Florida law provides that agency records shall at all times be available to the public for inspection. Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the Public Records Law, requires that all material submitted in connection with a Proposal response shall be deemed to be public record subject to public inspection upon award, recommendation for award, or thirty (30) days after Proposal opening, whichever occurs first. Certain exemptions to public disclosure are statutorily provided for in Section 119.07, Florida Statutes. If the Proposer believes any of the information contained in his/her/its Proposal is considered confidential and/or proprietary, inclusive of trade secrets as defined in Section 812.081, Florida Statutes, and is exempt from the Public Records Law, then the Proposer must, in its response, specifically identify the material which is deemed to be exempt and state the legal authority for the exemption. All materials that qualify for exemption from Chapter 119, Florida Statutes or other applicable law must be submitted in a separate envelope, clearly identified as "EXEMPT FROM PUBLIC DISCLOSURE" with the firm's name and the Proposal number clearly marked on the outside. The BRAA will not accept Proposals when the entire Proposal is labeled as exempt from disclosure. The BRAA's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the Proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the BRAA and the BRAA's officers, employees, and agents against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the BRAA's treatment of records as public records.

The selected Proposer(s) shall keep and maintain public records and fully comply with the requirements set forth at Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, as applicable; failure to do so shall constitute a material breach of any and all agreements awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

#### 2.42 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

All Proposers must disclose with their Proposal the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also an employee of the BRAA. Further, all Proposers must disclose the name of any BRAA employee who has any interest, financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, of five percent (5%) or more in the Proposers' firm or any of its branches. Failure to disclose any such affiliation will result in disqualification of the Proposer from this solicitation and may be grounds for further disqualification from participating in any future solicitations with the BRAA.

#### 2.43 PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES

As provided in Section 287.133(2) (a), Florida Statutes, a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted Proposers list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a Proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a Proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit Proposals on leases of real property to a public entity; may not be successful or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity.

#### 2.44 TAXES

The BRAA is exempt from payment of Florida state sales and use taxes. The selected Proposer shall not be exempted from paying sales tax to its suppliers for materials used to fulfill contractual obligations with the BRAA, nor is the selected Proposer authorized to use the BRAA's tax exemption number in securing such materials.

#### 2.45 E-VERIFY REQUIREMENTS

The Proposer warrants compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to their employees and subcontractors. The Proposer agrees and acknowledges that the BRAA is a public employer that is subject to the E-verify requirements as set forth in Section 448.095, *Florida Statutes*, and that the provisions of F.S. Sec. 448.095 apply to this Contract. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2.32 "Termination," if the BRAA has a good faith belief that the selected Proposer has knowingly hired, recruited or referred an alien for employment under this Contract who is not duly authorized to work by the immigration laws or the Attorney General of the United States, the BRAA shall terminate this Contract. If the BRAA has a good faith belief that a subcontractor knowingly hired, recruited or referred an alien for employment under this Contract who is not duly authorized to work by the immigration laws or the Attorney General of the United States, the BRAA shall promptly notify the selected Proposer and order the selected Proposer to immediately terminate its contract with the subcontractor. The selected Proposer shall be liable for any additional costs incurred by the BRAA as a result of the termination of this Contract based on the selected

Proposer's failure to comply with E-verify requirements referenced herein.

#### 2.46 ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING AFFIDAVIT

Prior to the execution of any agreement or contract arising out of this RFP, or any renewal and/or extension thereto, the selected contractor shall attest under penalty of perjury, that the selected contractor does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in Section 787.06(2), Florida Statutes. Attestations shall be documented using a Human Trafficking Affidavit as provided by the BRAA.

#### 2.47 FORCE MAJEURE

The BRAA and the selected Proposer are excused from the performance of their respective obligations under the contract when and to the extent that their performance is delayed or prevented by any circumstances that are not reasonably foreseeable and that beyond their control, including fire, flood, explosion, strikes or other labor disputes, natural disasters, public emergency, war, riot, civil commotion, malicious damage, act or omission of any governmental authority, delay or failure or shortage of any type of transportation, equipment, or service from a public utility needed for their performance provided that:

- a. The non-performing party gives the other party prompt written notice describing the particulars of the force majeure, including, but not limited to, the nature of the occurrence and its expected duration, and continues to furnish timely reports with respect thereto during the period of the force majeure.
- b. The excuse of performance is of no greater scope and of no longer duration than is required by the force majeure.
- c. No obligations of either party that arose before the force majeure causing the excuse of performance are excused as a result of the force majeure.
- d. The non-performing party uses its best efforts to remedy its inability to perform.

Notwithstanding the above, performance shall not be excused under this section for a period in excess of two (2) months, provided that in extenuating circumstances, the BRAA may at its sole discretion excuse performance for a longer term. Inability to obtain or delay in obtaining all necessary government approvals, permits, or licenses, and/or economic hardship of the selected Proposer shall not constitute a force majeure. The term of the contract shall be extended by a period equal to that during which either party's performance is suspended under this section.

#### 2.48 NOTICES

Notices shall be effective when received via certified U.S. Mail, hand delivery, or other mail delivery service, such as UPS or Federal Express, at the addresses specified in the contract/agreement. Changes in respective addresses to which such notices are to be directed may be made from time to time by either party by written notice to the other party.

Email transmissions of less than twenty five megabytes (25 MB) in size are acceptable notice when emailed to the email address set forth herein and are effective when received; however, email transmissions received after 5:00 p.m. or on weekends or holidays will be deemed received on the next business day. The original of the notice must also be mailed to the receiving party. Nothing contained in this section shall be construed to restrict the transmission of routine communications between representatives of the selected Proposer and the BRAA.

#### 2.49 FEDERAL GRANT ASSURANCES

The Selected Proposer understands that BRAA conducts operations at the Airport in conformance with its Grant Assurances to the Federal Aviation Authority ("FAA"), and agrees to perform all services and provide all goods in compliance with those Grant Assurances. The parties agree that all terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be interpreted in conformance with the Grant Assurances including without limitation the following:

##### A. Compliance with Nondiscrimination Requirements:

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"), agrees as follows:

1. Compliance with Regulations: The Contractor (hereinafter includes consultants) will comply with the Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, as they may be amended from time to time, which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
2. Nondiscrimination: The Contractor, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, will not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. The Contractor will not participate directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities, including employment practices when the contract covers any activity, project, or program set forth in Appendix B of 49 CFR part 21.
3. Solicitations for Subcontracts, including Procurements of Materials and Equipment: In all solicitations, either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by the Contractor for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials, or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier will be notified by the Contractor of the contractor's obligations under this contract and the Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.

4. Information and Reports: The Contractor will provide all information and reports required by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto and will permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities and instructions. Where any information required of a contractor is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish the information, the Contractor will so certify to the sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration, as appropriate, and will set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. Sanctions for Noncompliance: In the event of a Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the sponsor will impose such contract sanctions as it or the Federal Aviation Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
  - a. Withholding payments to the Contractor under the contract until the Contractor complies; and/or
  - b. Cancelling, terminating, or suspending a contract, in whole or in part.
6. Incorporation of Provisions: The Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs one through six in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Acts, the Regulations, and directives issued pursuant thereto. The Contractor will take action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as the sponsor or the Federal Aviation Administration may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, that if the Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation by a subcontractor, or supplier because of such direction, the Contractor may request the sponsor to enter into any litigation to protect the interests of the sponsor. In addition, the Contractor may request the United States to enter into the litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

B. Title VI List of Pertinent Nondiscrimination Acts and Authorities

During the performance of this contract, the Contractor, for itself, its assignees, and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor") agrees to comply with the following nondiscrimination statutes and authorities; including but not limited to:

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC § 2000d et seq., 78 stat. 252) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin);
- 49 CFR part 21 (Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964);
- The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, (42 USC § 4601) (prohibits unfair treatment of persons displaced or whose property has been acquired because of Federal or Federal-aid programs and projects);
- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC § 794 et seq.), as amended (prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability); and 49 CFR part 27;
- The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 USC § 6101 et seq.) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of age);
- Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982 (49 USC § 471, Section 47123), as amended (prohibits discrimination based on race, creed, color, national origin, or sex);
- The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 (PL 100-209) (broadened the scope, coverage and applicability of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, by expanding the definition of the terms "programs or activities" to include all of the programs or activities of the Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients and contractors, whether such programs or activities are Federally funded or not);
- Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities (42 USC §§ 12131 – 12189) as implemented by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations at 49 CFR parts 37 and 38;
- The Federal Aviation Administration's Nondiscrimination statute (49 USC § 47123) (prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, and sex);
- Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, which ensures nondiscrimination against minority populations by discouraging programs, policies, and activities with disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations;

- Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency, and resulting agency guidance, national origin discrimination includes discrimination because of limited English proficiency (LEP). To ensure compliance with Title VI, you must take reasonable steps to ensure that LEP persons have meaningful access to your programs (70 Fed. Reg. at 74087 to 74100);

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- Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended, which prohibits you from discriminating because of sex in education programs or activities (20 USC 1681 et seq).

END OF SECTION 2

## **SECTION 3**

### **SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **3.1 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit Proposals from qualified, experienced and licensed firms of Certified Public Accountants to provide Audit Services for BRAA, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Request for Proposals.

The BRAA expects each Proposer to clearly outline its best and most comprehensive resources in its response because all goods, services and responsibilities identified in this solicitation will be awarded to the selected Proposer.

#### **3.2 LIMITATIONS**

The following limitations are applicable to this solicitation:

N/A

#### **3.3 GENERAL STANDARDS**

The successful Proposer shall at all times comply with all rules, regulations, and ordinances of the BRAA and other governmental agencies having jurisdiction. The successful Proposer shall further take all precautions and extreme care to conduct its activities in a safe, professional, and prudent manner with respect to its agents, employees, members, visitors, and participants.

#### **3.4 DEFAULT/REMEDIES**

- a. In the event the successful Proposer defaults in the performance of its obligations in connection with this solicitation, the BRAA shall have the following options:
  - i. The BRAA will give the successful Proposer thirty (30) days' written notice of default. If the default is not cured within the thirty (30) days, the BRAA may immediately terminate the contract upon providing written notice of the Proposer's failure to timely cure the default. Upon termination, the BRAA may obtain the services elsewhere.
  - ii. The BRAA may recover at law any and all claims that may be due to the BRAA from the successful Proposer.
  - iii. The BRAA may perform such work as it deems necessary to cure the default or subsequent default and charge the successful Proposer for the full cost of labor and materials expended, plus thirty percent (30%) of the cost for administrative overhead.
- b. The acceptance of all or part of monies due for any period after a default shall not be deemed as a waiver of any of these options, or a waiver of the default or subsequent default of the same or any other term, covenant, and condition.
- c. The successful Proposer agrees that the BRAA shall not be responsible or have any liability whatsoever for any alleged damages, claim of lost profits, or otherwise in the event the BRAA declares the successful Proposer in default hereunder.
- d. In the event of default on the part of the selected Proposer, the BRAA may take such action as it deems appropriate including legal action for compensatory and/or special damages, or specific

performance.

### 3.5 INSURANCE

The selected Proposer shall provide insurance coverage in accordance with the Boca Raton Airport Authority Insurance Standards for Professional Service Providers as available at <https://bocaairport.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/FULL-INSURANCE-STANDARDS-Current.pdf>.

The selected Proposer shall not commence any performance pursuant to the terms of this solicitation until certification or proof of insurance has been received and approved by the Executive Director or designee.

The required insurance coverage is to be issued by an insurance company authorized, licensed and registered to do business in the State of Florida, with the minimum rating of B+ or better, in accordance with the latest edition of A.M. Best's Insurance Guide. This insurance shall be documented in certificates of insurance which provides that the BRAA shall be notified at least thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation, non-renewal, or adverse change. The receipt of certificates or other documentation of insurance or policies or copies of policies by the BRAA or by any of its representatives, which indicate less coverage than is required, does not constitute a waiver of the selected Proposer's obligation to fulfill the insurance requirements herein. Deductibles must be acceptable to the BRAA. Failure to provide and maintain the required insurance coverage during the term of the contract shall constitute a material breach of the contract. The Proposer is obligated to notify the BRAA if insurance coverage lapses or changes, including without limitation changes in the coverage limits or the insurance carrier, during the life of the contract. Failure to notify the BRAA of changes in insurance coverage in a timely fashion shall constitute a material breach of the contract.

The selected Proposer must submit, prior to commencing work, a current Certificate of Insurance, naming "The Boca Raton Airport Authority" as an additional insured and listed as such on the insurance certificate. New certificates of insurance are to be provided to the BRAA upon expiration.

### 3.6 PERFORMANCE BOND/LETTER OF CREDIT

Intentionally Omitted

### 3.7 CERTIFICATIONS

Any Proposer which submits an offer in response to this solicitation shall, at the time of such offer, hold all the required licenses, permits, and certifications issued by the applicable State or County agency qualifying the proposer to perform the services described in this solicitation, as set forth in Section 5 "Minimum Qualifications and Experience."

The BRAA may at its option, and in its best interest, allow the Proposer to supply any missing information on certification and licensing during the Bid Evaluation period.

### 3.8 METHOD OF PAYMENT: MONTHLY INVOICES; ADVANCE PAYMENT

The selected Proposer shall submit an invoice to the BRAA at the beginning of each calendar month for all services performed or goods received and accepted by the BRAA during the previous month. The amount charged shall not be in excess of the rates and fees agreed to in the Agreement.



The date of the invoices shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days from the performance of the work. Under no circumstances shall the invoice be submitted to the BRAA in advance of the performance of the work. The invoice must be complete and must specify the period of work covered by the invoice.

The invoice shall contain the following information, at minimum: the selected Proposer's name and address, an invoice number, date of invoice, description of the goods received or the services performed, the contract number, and any discounts offered by Proposer.

All payments shall be made in accordance with the Florida Prompt Payment Act, Section 218.74, Florida Statutes, upon presentation of a proper invoice by the awarded Bidder.

The BRAA may authorize advance payments if, in the sole discretion of the Executive Director, the goods and/or services are essential to the operation of the BRAA and are available only if advance payment is made. Requests for advance payments must include properly certified invoices for the goods or service sought to be acquired. The amount of the invoice submitted shall not exceed \$\_\_\_N/A\_\_\_ or \_\_\_N/A\_\_\_% of the total Contract price. The BRAA reserves the right to request repayment of any or all part of the advance payment at any time and withhold further payments until repayment is made. On completion or termination of the contract, the BRAA shall deduct from the amount due to the selected Proposer all advance payments not repaid plus interest.

### 3.9 SUBCONTRACTORS OF WORK SHALL BE IDENTIFIED

The Proposer must identify any and all subcontractors that will be used in the performance of the proposed work, their capabilities and experience, and the portion of the work to be done by the subcontractor. The competency of the subcontractor(s) with respect to experience, skill, responsibility, business standing, and ability to meet security requirements, if any, shall be considered by the BRAA when making the award in the best interest of the BRAA. The BRAA will not allow substitution of subcontractors without explicit written permission of the BRAA. Such permission will not be granted if, in the sole discretion of the Executive Director, such substitution is not in compliance with applicable federal or state grant requirements. If the Proposer fails to identify any and all sub-contractors in the Proposal, the Proposer may be allowed to submit this documentation during the evaluation period, if such action is in the best interest of the BRAA.

### 3.10 OTHER FORMS OR DOCUMENTS

If the BRAA is required by the selected Proposer to complete and execute any other forms or documents in relation to this solicitation, the terms, conditions, and requirements in this solicitation shall take precedence to any and all conflicting or modifying terms, conditions or requirements of the selected Proposer's forms or documents. A sample of all forms or documents required by the Proposer in relation to this solicitation must be included in the Proposer's response.

### 3.11 MODIFICATION OF SERVICES

Notwithstanding any provision described in Section 2.30 "MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT", the following shall apply:

- a. The BRAA reserves the right to delete or modify any portion of the contracted services at any time without cause, and if such right is exercised by the BRAA, the rates and fees shall be reduced at the same ratio as the estimated costs of the services deleted as it relates to the estimated costs of the service originally contracted. If service has already been provided on the portion of the work to be deleted, the selected

Proposer will be paid for the deleted portion based on the estimated percentage of the completion of such portion.

b. If the selected Proposer and the BRAA agree on modifications or revisions to the service elements, after the BRAA has approved performance of a particular task or project, and a budget has been established for that task or project, the selected Proposer shall submit a revised budget to the BRAA for approval prior to proceeding with the task or project.

### 3.12 STORAGE OF MATERIALS

Materials and supplies required for the performance of the proposed work may be stored on BRAA property upon written approval of the Executive Director. However, materials and supplies do not become the property of BRAA as a result of delivery or storage of the materials and supplies on the property. BRAA takes ownership of the materials and supplies only when the materials and supplies are installed. The contractor must properly store the materials and supplies in such a manner as to preserve their quality and fitness for the work. The proper maintenance and storage of stored materials is the selected Proposer's responsibility. The BRAA is not liable for any loss of materials, by theft or otherwise, or for any damage to the stored materials. The BRAA will not pay for storage of materials and supplies required for the performance of the proposed work at an offsite location without prior written approval of the Executive Director.

## SECTION 4

### SCOPE OF SERVICES

#### PART A - PURPOSE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

##### 4.1 PURPOSE

The Boca Raton Airport Authority (“BRAA”) is requesting proposals from qualified, experienced and licensed firms of Certified Public Accountants to provide Audit Services, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and specifications contained in this Request for Proposals, for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2025, 2026, and 2027, with the options of two subsequent fiscal years.

##### 4.2 SCOPE OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED

The Boca Raton Airport Authority desires the Contractor to express an opinion on the fair presentation of its basic financial statements, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

###### a. AUDITING STANDARDS TO BE FOLLOWED

The Audit Services shall be performed in accordance with:

- generally accepted auditing standards as set forth by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; and
- the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the *Government Auditing Standards* as issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and
- Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Report Standards, Government Accounting Standards Board; and
- Sections 218.39 and 218.415, Florida Statutes; and
- Rules of the Auditor General, State of Florida, Chapter 10.550; and
- the Florida Single Audit Act, Section 215.97, Florida Statutes; and
- the standards for financial audits set forth by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance); and
- other applicable federal, state and local laws or regulations or professional guidance not specifically listed above, as well as any additional requirements, which may be adopted by these regulating agencies in the future.

###### b. FINANCIAL AUDIT

The scope of the Financial Audit Services to be provided by the Contractor shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Provide an independent audit and express an opinion as to whether the financial statements of the BRAA are fairly presented, in all material respects in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.
- Perform certain limited procedures involving supplementary information required by the Government Accounting Standards Board in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. These include, but are not limited to, the:
  - a) Management’s Discussion and Analysis

b) GASB required supplementary information

- Examine any additional activities necessary to establish compliance with financial audits as defined by the *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Examine compliance with Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, regarding the investment of public funds.
- Prepare the financial statements and related notes.
- Examine any additional activities, if applicable, necessary to establish compliance with the OMB Uniform Guidance and the Florida Single Audit Act.

c. SINGLE AUDIT

If applicable, a separate financial and compliance audit of Federal and/or State Grants shall be performed by the Contractor as defined in the *Government Auditing Standards*, the OMB Uniform Guidance and the Florida Single Audit Act.

d. PERSONNEL OF FIRM

The Contractor shall designate an audit manager or partner of the firm as the manager of the Authority audit team. The auditor shall not substitute engagement partners or managers who are assigned to the Authority audit team without prior written consent from the Executive Director.

e. MEETINGS

The designated audit manager or partner shall be available to attend an entrance conference, an exit conference, and one (1) public meeting annually to present the audit report to the Boca Raton Airport Authority Board. Additionally, Board members may request individual meetings with the Auditor after the completion of the audit but prior to the presentation of the report to the Board, for which the audit manager or a partner shall be available.

f. AUDIT SCHEDULE

The Authority and the Contractor shall mutually agree on a time schedule to be developed for the audit each fiscal year. The schedule shall include dates of completion for an entrance conference, fieldwork, exit conference, draft report, exit conference, final report and Board presentation. Progress reporting shall also be made to key Authority personnel throughout the audit engagement. It is the intent of the Authority that the final report be accepted at the May BRAA Board Meeting, but no later than the June Board Meeting.

g. DELIVERABLES

The Contractor shall prepare all financial statements, notes, reports, and schedules, as required, into a single document known as the Financial Report. The Auditor shall deliver 15 bound copies of the Financial Report printed on 8 1/2 x 11 paper and an ADA compliant digital copy in pdf format to the Authority, in accordance with the Audit Schedule.

h. WORKING PAPERS RETENTION AND ACCESS TO WORKING PAPERS

All working papers and reports must be retained, at the Contractor's expense, for a minimum of five (5) years, unless the firm is notified in writing by the Authority of the need to extend the retention period. The Contractor will be required to make working papers available, upon request by the Authority.

4.3 REPORTS TO BE ISSUED

Following the completion of the audit, the Contractor shall issue:

- a. A report on the fair presentation of the basic financial statements, as a whole, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
- b. A report on the internal control structure based on the Auditor's understanding of the control structure and assessment of control risk.
- c. A report on compliance with applicable laws and regulations that may have a direct and material effect on the financial statements.
- d. Schedule of findings and questioned costs.
- e. Report on internal control over financial reporting and compliance and other matters based on the audit of financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standard*.
- f. Management letter pursuant to the Rules of the Auditor General of the State of Florida.
- g. Schedule of Expenditure of Federal Awards and State financial assistance
- h. Notes to Schedule of Expenditure of Federal Awards and State financial assistance
- i. The Auditor shall issue an immediate written report to the Executive Director of all fraud and illegal acts, or indications of illegal acts, of which they became aware.

#### 4.4 SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- a. The Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance and the related auditor's reports, as well as the reports on the internal control structure and compliance, are to be issued in conjunction with the final Financial Report issued by the Auditor.
- b. The Authority has determined that the United States Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration is the federal granting agency in accordance with the provisions of the Single Audit Act of 1984, as amended, and Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).
- c. The Contractor will assist the Authority in complying with changes in reporting requirements to remain in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### 4.5 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

If, during the contractual period covered by the agreement, additional services such as financial review of lease matters, policy reviews, or other services as they may arise are necessary, the Contractor may be engaged by the Authority to perform these services at the rates established in this agreement for additional services.

### PART B - DESCRIPTION OF THE BRAA

#### 4.6 BACKGROUND

The Boca Raton Airport (BCT) is publicly-owned and operated by the Boca Raton Airport Authority and is designated as a general aviation transport facility, serving the corporate, recreational, and flight training needs of the region. It is located on 220 acres in Boca Raton adjacent to I-95, between Spanish River Boulevard and Glades Road. The Airport's single runway 5-23 is 6,276 feet long and 150 feet wide.

Boca Raton Airport is home to more than 50 aviation and non-aviation businesses and approximately 300 based aircraft. According to the State of Florida, the Airport contributes an estimated \$693 million in annual economic impact to the local economy, an employment base of 4,843, total labor income of over \$219 million, and total output of \$693 million.

The Boca Raton Airport Authority (BRAA), a seven-member Board established by the Florida Legislature as an Independent Special District that is not part of any other unit of local government. Five members are appointed by the Boca Raton City Council and two are appointed by the Palm Beach County Commission. Each Board member serves a term of two years.

The Authority sustains the Airport's operations by generating revenue from long-term land leases, fuel fees, and customs user fees, requiring no funding from property taxes or general funds of local governments. Operating surpluses are reinvested in improvements included in the Airport Capital Improvement Program and are used to match FAA Airport Improvement Program and Florida Department of Transportation Aviation Work Program grants.

More detailed information about the Authority and its finances can be found in the Authority's Annual Operating, Capital Outlay and Capital Improvement Plan Budgets and Annual Financial Report available online at: [www.bocaairport.com/documents](http://www.bocaairport.com/documents)

i. FUND STRUCTURE

The Authority operates as a single proprietary fund type, specifically an enterprise fund.

j. BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Authority prepares its budgets on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

k. RETIREMENT PLANS AND POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Authority participates in two retirement plans, a defined contribution 401(a) Plan and a deferred compensation 457 Plan. The Plans are administered by MissionSquare Retirement, an independent third-party administrator therefore, no balance or financial information is reported in the Authority's basic financial statements. The Authority has no post-employment or post-retirement benefit plans and the Authority has no obligations under Section 112.081, F.S.

l. FEDERAL AWARDS AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

In Fiscal Year 2024, the Authority expended approximately \$2.2 million in State financial assistance and \$380,000 in Federal Awards, the details of which can be found in the Financial Report Schedule of Expenditure of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance. In the past five years, the Authority has required a State Single Audit four of the five years, and a Federal Single Audit one of the five years.

m. MAGNITUDE OF FINANCE OPERATIONS

The Contractor's principal contact with the Authority will be the Finance and Administration Director, who will coordinate the assistance to be provided by the Authority to the Contractor.

The Authority employs nine (9) full-time employees. The Finance Department consists of one (1) Finance and Administration Director, and one (1) Accounting Coordinator. The Finance and Administration Director reports to the Executive Director.

n. AVAILABILITY OF PRIOR AUDIT REPORTS AND WORKING PAPERS

The successor Contractor may make reasonable inquiries and requests, including review of working papers, relating to matters of continuing accounting significance to the predecessor Contractor, Grau and Associates.

o. ASSISTANCE TO BE PROVIDED BY THE AUTHORITY

The Authority and responsible management personnel will be available during the audit to assist the Contractor by providing information, documentation and explanations. The preparation of confirmations will be the responsibility of the Authority. The Authority and responsible management personnel will provide all data as requested, but the audit firm is responsible to format the data to accommodate their required schedules and work papers.

The Authority will provide the Contractor with reasonable workspace, desks and chairs. The Contractor will also be provided access to telephone lines, photocopying facilities, facsimile machines and internet for the on-site audit staff. The Contractor will provide their own laptop computers and necessary peripheral devices.

4.7 FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

N/A

## SECTION 5

### MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

The Contractor will be expected to bring a broad range of experience and knowledge in governmental auditing and accounting. The firm must demonstrate that it has an established reputation in the government sector and that it has the necessary experience, expertise, and reliability in public auditing and accounting.

Each Proposer shall submit the information and documentation requested below that confirms it meets the following qualification requirement(s).

5.1 The Proposer must have been in the business of providing Public Accounting and Auditing Services to government entities for a minimum of ten (10) years prior to the Due Date and Time. The Proposer shall provide supporting documentation (e.g. state, county, city business license; occupational license) that confirms the Proposer has been in business for a minimum of ten (10) years prior to the Due Date and Time.

Additionally, the Proposer shall identify the audit manager or partner, a licensed Certified Public Accountant, assigned to the Authority Contract. The assigned partner shall have a minimum of five (5) years' experience with the services related to the RFP, or in the case of an audit manager three (3) years' experience. Further, all assigned audit managers or partners must have successfully completed the number of required hours of continuing professional education (CPE) for CPA's engaged in government auditing pursuant to 473.312, F.S. and *Government Auditing Standards*. The Proposer shall provide supporting documentation that confirms the experience and continuing education of the assigned audit manager or partner.

5.2 The Proposer must hold a current certificate of competency issued by Palm Beach County Examining Board having jurisdiction over licensing of vendors in the type of work involved in this contract. The Proposer shall provide proof, in the form of a copy of license(s), that the Proposer or subcontractor, and all assigned audit managers or partners are:

- a. Certified under Sections, 473.308, 473.309, and 473.3101, Florida Statutes, as applicable.

5.3 The Proposer must have no reported conflict of interests in relation to this RFP. The Proposer shall provide an executed copy of the Proposer's Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form included in this RFP.

5.4 The Proposer must meet the *Government Auditing Standards* independence requirements, as published by the U.S. General Accounting Office. The Proposer shall provide an affirmative statement of its independence from the BRAA as defined by the *Government Auditing Standards* of the U.S. General Accounting Office

5.5 The Proposer must be registered to do business in Florida. The Proposer shall provide proof that it is registered with the State of Florida, Division of Corporations to do business in Florida.

5.6 The Proposer must have previously provided satisfactory services for the type of work identified in this RFP. The Proposer shall submit five (5) client references for whom Proposer has provided services similar to those specified in this RFP in the past ten (10) years and who are agreeable to respond to a request from the BRAA regarding Proposer's experience, including the Proposer's experience with the scope of services described herein. Each client reference should include the following:

- a. Organization name
- b. Contact name(s)
- c. Contact email address
- d. Address



- e. Telephone and fax numbers
- f. Dates of service (start/end)
- g. Type of work (brief description)

5.7 The Proposer must NOT be listed on the Florida Department of Management Services, Convicted Vendor List as defined in Section 287.133(3)(d), Florida Statutes or the government-wide Excluded Parties List System in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180. Respondent should provide documentation confirming same.

5.8 The Proposer must NOT be listed on the Florida State Board of Administration, Scrutinized List of Prohibited Companies. No documentation from Respondent is required.

5.9 The Proposer shall provide a copy of its business tax receipt to the BRAA as part of its RFP Response.

5.10 The Proposer shall provide a copy of its most recent peer review, with a notation in the peer review report that it included a review of government standards.

## SECTION 6

### RESPONSE REQUIREMENTS

#### PART A: PROPOSER PROFILE

In submitting a response to this RFP (the "Proposal"), the Proposer shall be the person or legal entity who will be entering into the contract with the BRAA. Proposer may consist of any formal business entity authorized to do business in the State of Florida (i.e., Partnership, Corporation, Limited Liability, Company, Joint Venture, or Sole Proprietorship). Proposer shall provide the BRAA with the following information:

- 1) The Proposer's legal name(s), headquarters address, local office address, state of incorporation, the name, address, and telephone number of Proposer's registered agent, if applicable, and key firm contact names.
- 2) A complete corporate or entity history of the Proposer, including date of incorporation or creation, name changes, dissolutions, reinstatements, etc.
- 3) The Proposer's federal ID number.
- 4) Whether the Proposer is legally authorized, pursuant to the requirements of the Florida Statutes, to do business in the State of Florida.

**Proposer must update the information set forth in numbered paragraphs 1 through 4 above, if any of the information changes during the selection process and/or term of the contract, in writing with the BRAA. Failure to update this information during the term of the contract will constitute a material breach of the contract.**

#### PART B: PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

**Failure to provide the information required by Items 1 through 7 below by the deadline for submission may result in a finding of non-responsiveness by the BRAA. The BRAA will determine whether the Proposer and its Proposal is responsive to the requirements specified herein. The BRAA reserves the right to waive minor technicalities or irregularities when it is in its best interest.**

As used in this section, "Proposer" includes the Proposer's principals if such principal is required by Section 473.309, Florida Statutes, to be a certified public accountant in the State of Florida.

Each Proposal shall include the following:

- 1) **Summary of Experience and Qualifications:** A detailed summary of experience and qualifications to perform the services required under this RFP, including its experience performing audits for Florida airport authorities and/or special districts, any equipment, licenses, permits or training certifications necessary for the performance of the services or indicative of the Proposer's assigned audit manager or partners qualifications to perform the services.

- 2) **Summary of Audit Approach and Work Plan:** The Proposer is required to provide detailed narrative of the overall approach and work plan the Proposer will take in performing the services of this RFP. The narrative shall include, at a minimum, the time frame and delivery dates for the annual audit, the extent on which statistical sampling techniques will be utilized, the approach that will be used to review the adequacy of the Authority's system of internal controls, the approach that will be used in auditing Information Technology, the approach that will be used in testing for legal and regulatory compliance, and the method, work plan for auditing pending GASB pronouncements in the initial contract year and/or in subsequent years.
- 3) **Bankruptcy, Litigation & Contract Dispute Information:** Proposer is required to provide the BRAA with a complete list and description of all lawsuits, litigation, claims, arbitrations, and administrative hearings brought by or against the Proposer, its parent or subsidiaries, predecessor organizations, any of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, or any of its owners or officers during the last (5) years. The list shall include all case names; case, arbitration, or hearing identification numbers; the name of the project over which the dispute arose; a description of the subject matter of the dispute; and the final outcome of the matter or the current status if the matter is not final.
- 4) **Criminal History Information:** A complete list and description of all criminal proceedings or hearings concerning offenses in which the Proposer, its owners, officers, predecessor organization(s), or wholly owned subsidiaries were defendants. Proposer shall include in this list any criminal proceedings or records that have been sealed by a court.
- 5) **Negative Contract Performance Information:** A complete list and description of all terminated or rescinded contracts to which Proposer was a party. This list must also include the circumstances under which the contract was terminated or rescinded. In addition to contracts that were terminated or rescinded, the list must include contracts pursuant to which Proposer was assessed liquidated damages or any other contractual monetary penalty as a result of delay or any other reason.
- 6) **Debarment History Information.** A complete list of all cases of debarment filed, pending, or resolved by any public entity during the last five (5) years prior to the Due Date and Time, whether such actions were brought by or against the Proposer, any parent or subsidiary of the Proposer, or any predecessor organization. If the Proposer is a joint venture, the information provided should encompass the joint venture and each of the entities forming the joint venture.
- 7) **Financial Terms:** Proposer must provide the BRAA with the financial terms of its proposal, including a description of all services included within lump sums, any applicable hourly rates for performance of the service or some portion of the service, estimates of the number of hours likely to be incurred per year (for each element of the service for which it lists an hourly rate), an explanation of whether and how products, parts and equipment will be paid for by the BRAA (and whether the Proposer will charge a mark-up on such products, parts and equipment), and any other aspect of the financial terms necessary for a full understanding of the Proposal.
- 8) **Statement of Offer:** The Proposal must contain the Proposal Submittal Signature Page containing the statement of offer that is signed by an official having authorization to contractually bind the company or firm.

## **SECTION 7**

### **THE EVALUATION PROCESS**

The BRAA will be responsible for selecting from among the Proposals received. It is anticipated, but not required, that the process of evaluation for this RFP proceed in the following manner:

#### **7.1 REVIEW OF PROPOSALS**

The Proposals will be reviewed for responsiveness to the terms and conditions of the RFP. The BRAA reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals and to waive any minor irregularities or technicalities. The Auditor Selection Committee shall have the right to inspect the facilities and organization of any Proposer, to make inquiries, to ask for further information, or to take any other action to determine the best Proposer and Proposal for the performance of the services. The Auditor Selection Committee shall have the right to extend the date for the receipt of Proposals and all other dates set forth in this RFP. The Auditor Selection Committee has the right to increase, decrease and adjust the Proposal Requirements hereunder, except where such requirements are required by Florida statutes.

#### **7.2 REVIEW OF PROPOSALS FOR RESPONSIBILITY**

Each Proposal will be reviewed to determine if the Proposer is a responsible Proposer. A responsible Proposer is a Proposer which the Auditor Selection Committee affirmatively determines in its sole discretion (prior to the award of a contract) has the capability in all respects to fully perform the contract requirements, the integrity and reliability that will assure good faith performance, and meets the Minimum Qualification requirements in this solicitation.

#### **7.3 ORAL PRESENTATIONS**

The Auditor Selection Committee may choose to conduct an oral presentation with the Proposer(s). Upon completion of the oral presentation(s), the Auditor Selection Committee will perform a final review to evaluate, rate, and rank the Proposals based upon the written documents, combined with the oral presentation.

#### **7.4 EVALUATION PROCESS**

The Auditor Selection Committee will evaluate and rank Proposals on the criteria listed in Section 7.5. The Auditor Selection Committee will be appointed by the Boca Raton Airport Authority Board and comprised of a Board Member of the BRAA and appropriate members of the community with the appropriate experience and/or knowledge, as provided for in Section 218.391, F.S.

Proposers shall be assigned a final score using the formula provided below:

$$\text{Final Score} = \text{Technical Proposal Score} + \text{Price Proposal Score}$$

Each member of the Audit Selection Committee shall receive a copy of each firm's Technical Proposal. The Audit Selection Committee will evaluate the Technical Proposals at a public meeting. The average of the committee member scores will be totaled to determine the Technical Proposal Score for each Proposer.

After the Technical Qualifications Score is calculated, the Price Proposal score will be added to the Technical Proposal Score to determine the Proposer's Final Score. The highest ranked Proposer will be the Proposer with the highest Final Score.

## 7.5 EVALUATION CRITERIA

### **Part A. Technical Proposal (90 points)**

#### **i. Expertise and Experience**

**40 points**

- Qualifications and experience of the proposing company and assigned staff
- The firm's past experience and performance on comparable government engagements
- The audit firm is independent and licensed to practice in Florida
- Rating of external peer review
- The ability to perform additional services and provide technical support throughout the period of the engagement
- The quality, expertise and experience of the firm's professional personnel to be assigned to the engagement
- The firm's past experience and performance with ACFR

#### **ii. Audit Approach**

**30 points**

- The adequacy of proposed staffing plan for various segments of the engagement, including supervision and involvement of experienced personnel
- Responsiveness of the proposal in clearly stating an understanding of the work to be performed
- Effectiveness and efficiency of the audit approach and the ability to provide the required services within the required timeline
- Adequacy of sampling techniques
- Adequacy of analytical procedures

#### **iii.. Special District Experience**

**5 points**

- The firm's experience conducting audits for Florida airport authorities and/or special districts.

#### **iv. Cybersecurity Plan**

**5 points**

- The adequacy of the firm's cybersecurity plan, which should include encryption methods, access restrictions, and other safeguards to ensure the security and confidentiality of the BRAA's data.

#### **v. Response of References**

**5 points**

#### **vi. Other**

**5 points**

- Time frames and delivery dates/project schedule
- Overall completeness, clarity and quality of proposal

**Part B: Price Proposal (10 points)**

Price proposals will be scored based on the proposer's total price proposal for the five-year term. The proposer submitting the lowest responsive and responsible total five-year price will receive the full 10 points. The proposer submitting the next-lowest responsive and responsible total five-year price will receive points according to the following scale:

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Lowest price proposal (5 years) | 10 points |
| Second lowest price proposal    | 5 points  |
| Third lowest price proposal     | 4 points  |
| Fourth lowest price proposal    | 3 points  |
| Fifth lowest price proposal     | 2 points  |

In the event of a tie for the lowest total five-year price, each proposer with that price will receive 10 points, and the next highest distinct price will receive 5 points. If there is a tie for the next-lowest total five-year price, each proposer with that price will receive 5 points.

Only responsive and responsible proposals will be considered when determining rankings for price scoring.

**7.6 CONTRACT AWARD**

Any contract resulting from this solicitation will be submitted to the Board for approval. All Proposers will be notified in writing when the Auditor Selection Committee makes an award recommendation. The contract award, if any, shall be made to the Proposer whose Proposal shall be deemed by the Board to be in the best interest of the BRAA. Notwithstanding the rights of protest listed herein, the Board's decision of whether to make the award and to which Proposer shall be final.

**SECTION 8**  
**PRICING INFORMATION**

**8.1 PRICING PROPOSAL**

Proposers must state the prices, fees, and rates that will be charged to the BRAA for performing the proposed services.

The pricing information shall be clear and unambiguous to allow the Auditor Selection Committee to compare the prices from the different Proposers. Pricing that is unclear and ambiguous may be determined by the BRAA to be grounds for rejection of the proposal.

| <b>Service Type:</b>                               | <b>Annual Rate</b>  |
|--|---------------------|
| Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Audit                   | \$                  |
| Fiscal Year 2026 Financial Audit                   | \$                  |
| Fiscal Year 2027 Financial Audit                   | \$                  |
| Fiscal Year 2028 Financial Audit, optional renewal | \$                  |
| Fiscal Year 2029 Financial Audit, optional renewal | \$                  |
| <b>As Needed:</b>                                  |                     |
| State Single Audit                                 | \$                  |
| Federal Single Audit                               | \$                  |
|  |                     |
| <b>Additional Services:</b>                        | <b>Hourly Rates</b> |
| Partner  | \$                  |
| Audit Manager                                      | \$                  |

**SECTION 9**  
**PROPOSAL SUBMITTALS**

**9.1 FORMS**

The forms listed below must be completed by an official having legal authorization to contractually bind the company or firm. Each signature represents a binding commitment upon the Proposer to provide the goods and/or services offered to the BRAA if the Proposer is determined to be the most responsive and responsible Proposer.

- a. Acknowledgment of Addenda
- b. Proposal Submittal Signature Page
- c. Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form
- d. Notification of Public Entity Crimes Law
- e. Drug-Free Work Place
- f. Non-Collusion Affidavit
- g. Truth-In-Negotiation Certificate
- h. Anti-Human Trafficking Affidavit



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA

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INSTRUCTIONS: COMPLETE PART I OR PART II, WHICHEVER APPLIES

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### PART I:

List below the dates of issue for each addendum received in connection with this solicitation:

Addendum #1, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #2, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #3, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #4, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #5, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #6, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #7, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #8, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #9, Dated \_\_\_\_\_  
Addendum #10, Dated \_\_\_\_\_

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### PART II:

☐ NO ADDENDUM WAS RECEIVED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SOLICITATION

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title (Print or Type)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL SIGNATURE PAGE

By signing this Proposal, the Proposer certifies that it satisfies all legal requirements as an entity to do business with the BRAA, including all Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics provisions.

Firm Name:

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Street Address:

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Mailing Address (if different from Street Address):

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Telephone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Federal Employer Identification Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Prompt Payment Terms: \_\_\_\_\_ % \_\_\_\_\_ days' net \_\_\_\_\_ days

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of authorized agent)

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

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

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

By signing this document, the Proposer agrees to all terms and conditions of this solicitation and the resulting contract/agreement.

**THE EXECUTION OF THIS FORM CONSTITUTES THE UNEQUIVOCAL OFFER OF THE PROPOSER TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS OF ITS PROPOSAL, FOR NOT LESS THAN 90 DAYS, AND THE PROPOSER'S UNEQUIVOCAL OFFER TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SET FORTH IN THIS SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO SIGN THIS SOLICITATION WHERE INDICATED ABOVE, BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, SHALL RENDER THE PROPOSAL NON-RESPONSIVE. THE BOCA RATON AIRPORT AUTHORITY MAY, HOWEVER, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, ACCEPT ANY PROPOSAL THAT INCLUDES AN EXECUTED DOCUMENT WHICH UNEQUIVOCALLY BINDS THE PROPOSER TO THE TERMS OF ITS PROPOSAL.**

## CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE FORM

The award of this contract is subject to the provisions of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes. All Proposers must disclose within their Proposal: the name of any officer, director, or agent who is also an employee of the BRAA.

Furthermore, all Proposers must disclose the name of any BRAA employee who owns, directly or indirectly, an interest of more than five percent (5%) in the Proposer's firm or any of its branches.

The purpose of this disclosure form is to give the BRAA the information needed to identify potential conflicts of interest for evaluation team members and other key personnel involved in the award of this contract.

The term "conflict of interest" refers to situations in which financial or other personal considerations may adversely affect, or have the appearance of adversely affecting, an employee's professional judgment in exercising any BRAA duty or responsibility in administration, management, instruction, research, or other professional activities.

Please check one of the following statements and attach additional documentation if necessary:

\_\_\_\_\_ To the best of our knowledge, the undersigned firm has no potential conflict of interest due to any other Cities, Counties, contracts, or property interest for this Proposal.

\_\_\_\_\_ The undersigned firm, by attachment to this form, submits information which may be a potential conflict of interest for this Proposal due to other clients, contracts, or property interests.

Acknowledged by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title (Print or Type)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES LAW

Pursuant to Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, you are hereby notified that a person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted contractors list following a conviction for a public entity crime may not submit a Proposal on a contract to provide any goods or services to a public entity; may not submit a Proposal on a contract with a public entity for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; may not submit Proposals on leases or real property to a public entity; may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, sub-Proposer, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017 [F.S.] for Category Two [\$35,000.00] for a period of thirty-six (36) months from the date of being placed on the convicted contractors list.

Acknowledged by:

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Firm Name

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Signature

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Name and Title (Print or Type)

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Date

## DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE

\_\_\_\_\_ is a drug-free workplace and has a substance  
(Company Name)  
abuse policy equal to or more stringent than the drug-free workplace and substance abuse policy maintained  
by the BRAA.

Acknowledged by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Title (Print or Type)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, who,  
after being by me first duly sworn, deposes and says of his/her personal knowledge that:

- a. He/She is \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, the Proposer  
that has submitted a Proposal to perform work for the following:

RFP No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

- b. He/She is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Request for  
Proposals, and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such solicitation.

Such Proposal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Proposal.

- c. Neither the said Proposer nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives,  
employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired,  
connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other Proposer, firm, or person to submit a  
collusive or sham Proposal in connection with the solicitation and contract for which the attached  
Proposal has been submitted or to refrain from proposing in connection with such solicitation and  
contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or  
communication or conference with any other Proposer, firm, or person to fix the price or prices in  
the attached Proposal or any other Proposer, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the  
Proposal price or the Proposal price of any other Proposer, or to secure through any collusion,  
conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against the BRAA or any person  
interested in the proposed contract.
- d. The price or prices quoted in the attached Proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any  
collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Proposer or any of its  
agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_,  
by \_\_\_\_\_, who is personally known to me or who has produced  
\_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

SEAL

Notary Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public (State): \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expires On: \_\_\_\_\_

## TRUTH – IN – NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE

The undersigned warrants (i) that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than bona fide employees working solely for the undersigned, to solicit or secure the Agreement and (ii) that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm other than its bona fide employees working solely for the undersigned or agreed to pay any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or any other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of the Agreement.

The undersigned certifies that the wage rates and other factual unit costs used to determine the compensation provided for in the Agreement are accurate, complete, and current as of the date of the Agreement.

(This document must be executed by a Corporate Officer.)

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

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

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING AFFIDAVIT

I \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name) as \_\_\_\_\_ (insert title) on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_ (insert entity name) under penalty of perjury hereby attest as follows:

1. I am over 18 years of age and have personal knowledge of the matters set forth in this affidavit.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (insert entity name) does not use coercion for labor or services as defined in s. 787.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes.
3. More particularly, \_\_\_\_\_ (insert entity name) does not engage in any of the following actions in connection with providing labor or services:
  - a. Using or threatening to use physical force against any person;
  - b. Restraining, isolating or confining or threatening to restrain, isolate or confine any person without lawful authority and against her or his will;
  - c. Using lending or other credit methods to establish a debt by any person when labor or services are pledged as a security for the debt, if the value of the labor or services as reasonably assessed is not applied toward the liquidation of the debtor the length and nature of the labor or services are not respectively limited and defined;
  - d. Destroying, concealing, removing, confiscating, withholding, or possessing any actual or purported passport, visa, or other immigration document, or any other actual or purported government identification document, of any person;
  - e. Causing or threatening to cause financial harm to any person;
  - f. Enticing or luring any person by fraud or deceit; or
  - g. Providing a controlled substance as outlined in Schedule I or Schedule II of s. 893.03, Florida Statutes to any person for the purpose of exploitation of that person.



FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT

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

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_)

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of \_\_\_ physical presence or \_\_\_  
online notarization, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ its \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_. He/she is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_  
as identification and did ( ) did not ( ) take an oath.

[Seal]

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## SECTION 10

### SAMPLE AGREEMENT FORMAT

Below is the standard agreement format for this Request for Proposals. This is a sample agreement only and is subject to revisions. PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETE.

#### AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the Boca Raton Airport Authority, an Florida independent special district ("BRAA"), whose address is 903 NW 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, and \_\_\_\_\_, a Florida corporation (hereafter referred to as "Contractor"), whose address is \_\_\_\_\_.

WHEREAS, the BRAA desires to retain the services of the Contractor to provide the goods and services in accordance with the BRAA's Request for Proposal No.<Number>, and the Contractor's response thereto, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises hereafter set forth, the Contractor and the BRAA agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. INCORPORATION OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall include and incorporate as though fully set forth herein each and every term, condition, and specification set forth in the BRAA's Request for Proposal No. <Number>, and the Contractor's response thereto, including all documentation required thereunder.

#### ARTICLE 2. DESCRIPTION OF GOODS OR SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Contractor shall provide the goods and/or perform those services in compliance with the Scope of Services attached hereto as Exhibit A, and as further identified in the specifications accompanying the BRAA's Request for Proposal No. <Number>, which are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein.

#### ARTICLE 3. COMPENSATION

The BRAA shall pay to the Contractor, in compliance with the Pricing Schedule attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit B, according to the terms and specifications described in Request for Proposal No. <Number>.

#### ARTICLE 4. AGREEMENT TERM

This Agreement is in full force and effect upon full execution by the BRAA. The term of the Agreement shall be from the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, unless terminated earlier by the BRAA, with \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_-year options to renew.

## ARTICLE 5. INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the BRAA and its officers, employees, agents, and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses, or damages, including attorney's fees and costs of defense, which the BRAA or its officers, employees, agents, or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions, or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to, or resulting from the performance of the agreement by the Contractor or its employees, agents, servants, partners, principals, or subcontractors. The Contractor shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith, and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits, or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the BRAA, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may be incurred thereon. The Contractor expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this agreement or otherwise provided by the Contractor shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless, and defend the BRAA or its officers, employees, agents, and instrumentalities as herein provided.

Nothing in this agreement shall be deemed to affect the rights, privileges, and sovereign immunities of the BRAA as set forth in Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This paragraph shall not be construed to require the Contractor to indemnify the BRAA for BRAA's own negligence, or intentional acts of the BRAA, its agents or employees, when such agents or employees are acting within the course and scope of their agency or employment, as applicable. Each party assumes the risk of personal injury and property damage attributable to the acts or omissions of that party and its officers, employees and agents.

## ARTICLE 6. PUBLIC RECORDS

Contractor shall comply with Florida public records laws, specifically to:

- i. Keep and maintain public records required by the BRAA to perform the service.
- ii. Upon request from the BRAA's custodian of public records, provide the BRAA with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Florida Statute or as otherwise provided by law.
- iii. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the Agreement term and following completion of the Agreement if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the BRAA.
- iv. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the BRAA all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the BRAA to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the BRAA upon completion of the Agreement, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Agreement, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the BRAA, upon request from the BRAA's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the BRAA.

**IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT THE BOCA RATON AIRPORT AUTHORITY, 903 NW 35<sup>TH</sup> STREET, BOCA**

**RATON, FL 33431. THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS MAY BE CONTACTED BY PHONE AT \_\_\_\_\_ OR VIA EMAIL AT \_\_\_\_\_.**

**ARTICLE 7. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

- a) Notice. All notices or other written communications required, contemplated, or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be via hand delivery, e-mail of not more than twenty five mega-bytes (25 MB) in size including attachments, or certified U.S. Mail, (postage prepaid), return receipt requested, or other mail delivery service, such as UPS or Federal Express, to the following addresses:

As to the BRAA:

Boca Raton Airport Authority  
903 NW 35<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

Attn: Executive Director  
Email: clara@bocaairport.com

As to the Contractor:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Attn.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- b) Headings. The headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only, and shall not limit or otherwise affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Agreement.
- c) Effective Date. The effective date of this Agreement shall be as of the date it has been executed by both the parties hereto.
- d) Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any right or interest herein shall be assigned, transferred, or encumbered without the written consent of the other Party.
- e) Counterparts and Transmission. To facilitate execution, this Agreement may be executed in as many counterparts as may be convenient or required, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. The executed signature page(s) from each original may be joined together and attached to one such original and it shall constitute one and the same instrument. In addition, said counterparts may be transmitted electronically (i.e., via facsimile or .pdf format document sent via electronic mail), which transmitted document shall be deemed an original document for all purposes hereunder.
- f) Severability. If any part of this Agreement shall be declared unlawful or invalid, the remainder of the Agreement will continue to be binding upon the parties.

g) Incorporation by Reference. The documents listed below are a part of this Agreement and are hereby incorporated by reference, as though fully set forth herein. In the event of inconsistency between the documents, unless otherwise provided herein, the terms of the following documents will govern in the following order of precedence:

1. Terms and conditions as contained in this Agreement.
2. Terms and conditions contained in RFP No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Contractor's response to RFP No. \_\_\_\_\_ and any subsequent information submitted by Contractor during the evaluation and negotiation process.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates hereinafter written.

BOCA RATON AIRPORT AUTHORITY

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

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

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

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

CONTRACTOR

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

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

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

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

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

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

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

## Exhibits to Contract

Exhibit A: Scope of Services

Exhibit B: Price list

Exhibit C: General Terms and Conditions

Exhibit D: Special Terms and Conditions

## **SECTION 11**

### **EXHIBITS**

- i. Exhibit A: Boca Raton Airport Authority Drug Free Workplace Policy