TOWN OF VERNON DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS



CONTRACT #2093-06-23-2022

CENTER 375 - OUTSIDE WALL REPAIR 375 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON, CT

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Invitation to Bid/Legal Notice

The Town of Vernon, Connecticut is seeking proposals for outside wall repair at Center 375 located at 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, Connecticut. A firm must have a demonstrated experience in providing such service and adhere to State and Federal standards and requirements typical for such service.

There will be a mandatory site visit at Center 375, 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, CT on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 10:30 AM. Failure to attend the mandatory site meeting will disqualify a prospective bidder.

Questions about this RFP should be directed to Dwight Ryniewicz, Director of Public Works Department, by email only to <u>dryniewicz@vernon-ct.gov</u>, no later than Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 3:30 pm. Answers to questions received will be posted by Thursday, June 16, 2022 on the Town's website at <u>www.vernon-ct.gov/legal-notices</u> and at the Connecticut State Department of Administrative Services (DAS) at <u>https://portal.ct.gov/das</u> by referencing Contract #2093-06-23-2022. It is the sole responsibility of the respondent to review any or all addendum or question responses related to this RFP.

Five (5) copies of the proposal should be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "**BID DOCUMENT- DO NOT OPEN – CONTRACT #2093-06-23-2022**" clearly marked on the outside of the envelope to: Michael J. Purcaro, Town Administrator, Town of Vernon, Memorial Building, 14 Park Place, 3rd Floor, Vernon, Connecticut 06066 no later than 9:00 am on June 23, 2022. Emailed, faxed or late bids will not be accepted.

Received bids will be opened publicly in person on **Thursday**, June 23, 2022 at 10:00 AM. Bid results will be posted on both the Town and DAS websites.

The selected firm must meet all municipal, state and federal AA and EEO practices and requirements. MBE's, WBE's, SBE's are encouraged to apply. The Town reserves the right to reject any or all proposals in whole or part, to award any one service or group of services or all services, to negotiate with any or all companies submitting proposals, and to enter into an agreement with any company for any services mentioned in this RFP; if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

Confidentiality - If Respondent believes that any information in its proposal should be treated as confidential that material shall be clearly marked. The Town shall endeavor to protect confidential material from disclosure to non-Town employees to the extent required by State or Federal law. In no event will the Town be responsible for the inadvertent disclosure of your response to this RFP.

Michael J. Purcaro Town Administrator

STANDARD INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

These instructions are standard for all proposals issued by the Town of Vernon, Connecticut for the purchase of all supplies, materials, equipment and the furnishing of certain services. The Town may delete, supersede or modify any of these standard instructions for a particular proposal by indicating such change in a section entitled "Special Instructions to Bidders".

- 1. The attached proposal is signed by the bidder with full knowledge of, and agreement with, the general specifications, conditions and requirements of this bid.
- 2. Proposals must be submitted on the proposal page with any required bid security.
- Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes which shall be addressed to the Town Administrator, 14 Park Place, Vernon, Connecticut 06066 and shall be clearly marked "BID DOCUMENT - DO NOT OPEN". The bid envelope shall indicate the contract number as shown on the "Invitation To Bid". Emailed, faxed or late bids will not be accepted.
- Bids received later than the time and date specified in the "Invitation To Bid" will not be considered.
 Withdrawal of bids, received later than the time and date set for the bid opening, will not be considered.
- 5. All deliveries of commodities hereunder shall comply in every respect with all applicable laws of the Federal Government and the State of Connecticut.
- 6. The bidder shall insert the price per stated unit and extend a total price for each item. IN THE EVENT THAT THERE IS A DISCREPANCY BETWEEN THE UNIT PRICE AND THE TOTAL PRICE EXTENSION, THE UNIT PRICE WILL GOVERN.
- 7. In accordance with the provisions of Section 12-412 (a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Town of Vernon is exempt from the payment of Federal or State tax and such tax or taxes shall not be included in bid prices.
- 8. Unless otherwise stated herein, all deliveries made under this contract must consist of new merchandise.
- 9. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all bids, wholly or in part; to waive technical defects, and to make awards in the manner deemed to be in the best interests of the Town.
- 10. The Town will not accept any additional charges for freight or shipping.
- 11. The successful bidder must carry the following insurance coverages:

Commercial General Liability (Town of Vernon added as a	additional insured):
Each Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
Personal/Advertising Injury per Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Product/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Fire Damage Legal Liability	\$ 100,000
Automobile Liability (Town of Vernon added as additiona	ll insured):
Each Accident:	\$ 1,000,000
Hired/Non-owned Auto Liability:	\$ 1,000,000
Workers' Compensation/Employers Liability	
Workers' Compensation Statutory Requirement set forth	by State of CT
Employers Liability	
Each Accident	\$ 100,000
Disease-Policy Limit	\$ 500,000
Disease-Each employee	\$ 100,000
Umbrella/Excess Liability (following form of general liability, auto liability and employer liability):	
Each Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Product/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Professional Liability (where required)	
Each Claim:	\$ 1,000,000
Annual Aggregate	\$ 1,000,000

All insurance may not be canceled or modified without thirty (30) days written notice to the Vernon Town Administrator, 14 Park Place, Vernon, CT 06066.

12. All bids must be accompanied by bid security in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid and shall be in the form of a bid bond, a certified check, a treasurer's or cashier's check drawn on a National or State bank or trust company and shall be made payable to the "Town of Vernon".

The bid security shall secure the execution of the contract by the successful bidder.

Should any bidder to whom an award is made fail to enter into a contract within ten (10) days, exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, after notice of the award has been mailed to the bidder, the amount so received from the bidder through his/her bond shall become the property of the Town of Vernon, Connecticut as liquidated damages for failure.

The bid security, exclusive of the successful bidder, will be returned upon execution of the contract, but in no case later than forty-five (45) days after the opening of the bids.

The bid security of the successful bidder shall be held until such time as all conditions of the proposal have been met.

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- 3. Deviations: Any and all deletions, variations and exceptions to the specifications must be stated in writing at time of bidding and must be attached to the "Proposal" section of contract.

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SPECIFICATIONS

1.1 Introduction

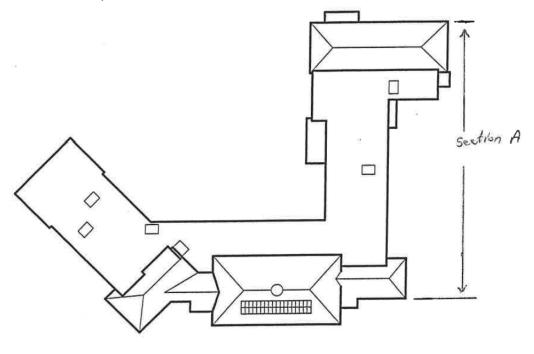
The Town of Vernon (Town) is now accepting bids for masonry repair to the outside wall at Center 375, 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, CT. Before submitting a proposal, bidders shall examine the specifications in order to understand all existing conditions and limitations.

1.2 Product and/or Service Specifications

Technical Requirements – Bidders are to supply all equipment, scaffolding, labor and materials to complete the following work at Center 375, 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, CT:

Cut out all mortar joints on limestone, brick and stone along Section A of building (see below). All mortar joints will be cut with diamond blades attached to grinders to a minimum of ¾ of an inch. The grinders will be connected to vacuums to limit the dust. Care will be taken to not cut into the brick or stone. The brick joints will be pointed with a type N mortar to match the color as close as possible. The joints will be packed with the new mortar in lifts to leave no voids and to allow for shrinkage of the mortar. The tooling of the joint will match the existing.

The limestone joints will be filled with the proper size backer rod and caulked with a urethane caulk. Joints will be taped when applying caulk to keep as neat as possible. Joints will be tooled to a smooth finish. Color will be as close to limestone as possible.



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1.3 Qualification of Bidders

The Town is seeking well-qualified and experienced bidders for this project. As part of the bid proposal, please include the following information:

- a. Please provide three (3) current or former client references that are applicable to projects of this scope.
- b. List the number of currently employed full-time and part-time employees.
- c. Briefly describe the project management process.

1.4 Mandatory Site Visit

All bidders who are interested in submitting a proposal on this project are required to attend a mandatory site visit to be held on Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 10:30 AM EDT in front of Center 375, 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, CT. Failure to attend the mandatory site meeting will disqualify a prospective bidder.

1.5 Anticipated Timeline and Work Hours

Bidder must provide implementation plan and timelines as part of the RFP. All work shall be done at such times as the Town shall deem appropriate. Work must be finished by Friday, August 26, 2022.

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PROPOSAL

TO: Town of Vernon 14 Park Place Vernon, CT 06066

Sirs:

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY DECLARES that:

A. No person or persons other than those named herein are interested in this Proposal or in the Contract proposed to be taken; that it is made without any connection with any other person or persons making any proposal for the same work, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that no person acting for or employed by the Town of Vernon (the Town) is now or will hereafter be directly or indirectly interested therein, or in any portion of the profits thereof in any manner which is unethical or contrary to law;

B. He has read the information contained herein relating to the work;

C. That in the event a Contract, as contemplated by this Proposal, is awarded to him, he will enter into a written Contract with the Town, and agrees that in case he fails to do so, the Town may determine that the bidder has abandoned the Contract, and thereupon the acceptance of this Proposal and the award shall be null and void, and that the proposal guarantee may be forfeited in whole or in part to the Town as the Town may determine, and he will, by such Contract, agree to furnish all materials herein required, within the time stipulated by the Town, will perform all services and will assume all liabilities and obligations connected therewith, all in accordance with the Contract, Specifications, and Instructions to Bidders, all of which are made a part hereof, and will accept in full payment therefore the following sums, to wit:

1. Proposal Format

All proposals shall be prepared in strict compliance with the Proposal Format outlined below. Failure to comply with the provisions of this RFP may result in the proposal being disqualified.

- All proposals must be securely bound.
- Title Page. The title page must include the subject of the proposal; the proposing company's name and address; the name, address, and telephone number of a contact person; and the date of the proposal.
- Table of Contents.
- Executive Summary. This summary, limited to five (5) single-spaced typewritten pages, should provide a high-level description of the bidder's ability to meet the requirements of the RFP and a statement describing why the bidder believes it is the best qualified to provide the specified services. The summary must also include the names, titles and background of the officers and operating personnel who will work with the Town.
- Please provide three (3) current or former client references with which the bidder has completed projects of this scope.
- Warranty. Bidders shall include with the RFP response a detailed overview of all applicable warranties, including exclusions. Bidders must detail the responsibilities the Town will assume and describe any bidder services provided during the warranty period. Complete warranties applying to any system purchased must be clearly specified. The location or agent responsible for servicing this account must be clearly stated. The bidder's policy on software upgrades, enhancements, and on-going software support shall also be addressed, as applicable. Warranty and maintenance terms and costs will be taken into consideration in the award.
- 2. Tax Exemption The Town is tax exempt and will provide appropriate documentation as needed.
- 3. BID BOND ATTACHED PER SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: YES_____ NO_____
- 4. The undersigned declares that the signer of this proposal is:
 - (a) INDIVIDUAL doing business as
 - (b) PARTNERSHIP doing business as
 - (c) CORPORATION entitled

organized under the laws of the State of ______ and having its

Principal offices at _____

The names of all partners of a partnership or the principal offices of a corporation will be submitted upon request.

Signature of Authorized Representative

Print Name and Title

Print Firm Name

Print Street Address

Print City, State and Zip Code

Contact Name

Area Code and Telephone Number

Email Address

I, ______, hereby certify that I do not hold any executive or appointive office in the government of the Town of Vernon; furthermore, I do not anticipate holding or seeking office in the Town of Vernon for the duration of this contract. I further certify that the firm, which I represent, as named above, is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Date

Signature

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CONTRACT

This agreement, made and concluded by and between the Town of Vernon, a Municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, acting herein by its Town Administrator duly authorized, hereinafter designated the "Town" and __________ (being the party named in the attached copy of the proposal) hereinafter designated the "Contractor".

A. WITNESSETH, That said Contractor has agreed, and by these presents does for his, their, or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns covenant, promise and agree to and with the said Town, for the consideration hereinafter mentioned and contained, and under the penalty expressed in bonds hereunto annexed, that the said Contractor shall and will, at his, its, or their own proper charge, cost and expense furnish all materials in accordance with this contract and the specifications which are a part hereof, viz.;

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all to be in accordance with the terms of the proposal for said material submitted to the Town Administrator of the Town, and made part of this contract.

B. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The selected Company is an independent contractor and is not an employee, partner, or co-venturer of, or in any other service relationship with the Town of Vernon. The Company is not authorized to speak for, represent, or obligate the Town of Vernon in any manner without the prior expressed written authorization from the Town of Vernon.

- **C. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO BE JUDGE**. The Town Administrator of the Town and his duly authorized representatives, hereinafter referred to as the "Administrator" shall be judge of the character, nature and fitness of all the materials furnished under this contract.
- D. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBLE FOR WHOLE WORK. (1) The Contractor shall be responsible for the entire work until its final acceptance, and any unfaithful or imperfect work or defective material that may be discovered at any time before said final acceptance shall be immediately corrected or removed by said Contractor on requirement of the Administrator.

(2) **DEFECTS IN MATERIAL**. In the case the nature of the defects is such that it is not expedient to have them corrected, the Administrator shall have the right to deduct from the amount due the Contractor on the final settlement of the accounts such sum of money as he considers a proper equivalent for the difference between the value of the materials specified and that furnished, or a proper equivalent for the damage.

(3) **PARTIAL PAYMENT NOT ACCEPTANCE**. It is also agreed that this is an entire contract for one whole and complete work, and that no partial payments on account by the Town, nor the presence of the Administrator or inspectors, or their supervision or inspection of work or materials, shall constitute an acceptance of any part of the work before its entire completion and final acceptance.

E. (1) **COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION OF WORK**. The Contractor shall furnish the material contracted for within the time stated therefore in the specifications for this work.

(2) **EXTENSION OF TIME**. If the Contractor is delayed in the prosecution or completion of the work by or on account of any act or omission of the Town, or by strikes or causes beyond control of the Contractor, he shall be entitled to such reasonable extension of time for the completion of the work as may be decided upon by the Administrator, provided, however, that no claim for an extension of time for any reason shall be allowed, unless, within three days after such delay occurs, notice in writing of the fact of said delay, its causes, and the extension claimed, shall be given by the Contractor to the Administrator.

(3) **TIME LIMITS**. All time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract.

F. (1) **CONTRACTOR'S DUTIES AND LIABILITIES**. The Contractor shall comply with all local, state and national laws and regulations, and with all Town ordinances in the prosecution of the work, and shall secure all necessary permits and licenses.

(2) INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS

a. The Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Town of Vernon, its respective officers, employees, elected officials, agents, servants and volunteers from and against any and all claims, liabilities, obligations, causes of action of whatsoever kind and nature for damages, including but not limited to damage to the premises or other property, and costs of every kind and description arising from its entry upon the premises, or arising from work or other activities conducted thereon, alleging but not limited to bodily injury, personal injury, medical malpractice, property damage caused by the Company and its employees, contractor, sub-contractors and agents. This indemnification includes the Company's duty to defend the Town of Vernon from any such claims.

b. The Contractor must carry the following insurance coverages:

Commercial General Liability (Town of Vernon added as additional insured):

Each Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
Personal/Advertising Injury per Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Product/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Fire Damage Legal Liability	\$ 100,000

Automobile Liability (Town of Vernon added as additiona	l insured):
Each Accident:	\$ 1,000,000
Hired/Non-owned Auto Liability:	\$ 1,000,000

Workers' Compensation/Employers Liability

Workers' Compensation Statutory Requirement set forth by State of CT Employers Liability

Each Accident	\$ 100,000
Disease-Policy Limit	\$ 500,000
Disease-Each employee	\$ 100,000

Umbrella/Excess Liability (following form of general liability, auto liability and employer liability):

Each Occurrence:	\$ 1,000,000
General Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Product/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$ 2,000,000
Professional Liability (where required)	
Professional Liability <i>(where required)</i> Each Claim:	\$ 1,000,000

All insurance may not be canceled or modified without thirty (30) days written notice to the Vernon Town Administrator, 14 Park Place, Vernon, CT 06066.

c. WAIVER OF SUBROGATION REQUIREMENT

The Contractor will require all insurance policies in any way related to the work and secured and maintained by the Company to include clauses stating each carrier will waive all rights of recovery, under subrogation and otherwise, against the Town of Vernon, and its respective officers, employees, agents, servants, elected officials, and volunteers. The Contractor shall require of subcontractors, by appropriate written agreements, similar waivers each in favor of the Town of Vernon.

d. It is agreed between the parties hereto that the amount of insurance set forth above does not in any way limit the liability of the Contractor to the Town by virtue of his promise to hold the Town harmless so that in the event that any claim results in a settlement or judgement in any amount above said limits, the Contractor shall be personally liable to the Town for the difference.

e. Certificates of insurance company must be submitted to the Administrator before the Contractor starts work. Should any insurance expire or be terminated during the period in which the same is required by this contract, the Administrator shall be notified thirty (30) days in advance and such expired or terminated insurance must be replaced with new insurance and new certificate furnished to the Administrator. Failure to provide the required insurance and certificates may, at the option of the Town, be held to be a willful violation of this Contract.

(3) **PATENTS**. The Contractor shall defend any suits or proceedings brought against the Town for alleged infringements of patents by or by reason of any material furnished under this contract, and shall pay any damage or costs that may be awarded against the Town as a result of such suits, free of all expense to the Town.

G. AVOIDANCE OF CONTRACT. If this Contract shall be assigned without the written consent of the Administrator, or if at any time the Administrator shall be of the opinion that the work on said material is necessarily or unreasonably delayed, or that the Contractor is willfully violating any of the conditions or agreements of this contract, or that the progress of the work is, in his opinion, being so delayed that said material cannot be supplied within the required time, the Administrator may give written notice, postage prepaid, to the Contractor, at his business address, to that effect. If the Contractor shall not, within ten days after the mailing of such notice, take measures as well, in the judgement of the Administrator, insure the satisfactory completion of the work, he may notify the Contractor in writing, to discontinue all work on said material under this contract; and it is hereby agreed that the Contractor shall thereupon at once stop work and cease to have the right or claim to possession of the material; and the Town may, by means of such other agents or contractors as shall to it seem advisable, complete the work herein described, or such part thereof as it may deem necessary, and may take possession of and use such materials, except as otherwise provided. The Contractor shall not remove any portion of the materials after receiving such notice as aforesaid. And said Town is hereby authorized and empowered to apply sums of money due or to become due to said Contractor under this Contract by way of reduction in damages, and as part payment of such additional expense incurred by the Town as aforesaid.

H. TERMINATION

Termination for Cause: If, through any cause, the Contractor shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner the obligations under this RFP, or if the Contractor shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this RFP, the Municipality shall, thereupon, have the right to terminate this RFP by giving written notice to the Contractor of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In such event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, and reports prepared by the Contractor under this RFP shall, at the option of the Municipality, become its property and the Company shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory work completed prior to the effective date of termination.

Termination for Convenience: Either party to this RFP may terminate this RFP at any time by a notice in writing, effective not less than thirty (30) days prior to the termination date. If the RFP is terminated by the Municipality as provided herein, the Contractor will be paid for services performed up to the date of termination.

I. (1) **PAYMENTS**. The Town will pay and the Contractor will receive, as full compensation for furnishing such materials, the amount stated in the proposal, or the sums of money computed at the several unit prices stated in the proposal submitted by the Contractor to the Administrator. A copy of the proposal is made a part of this Contract. The Town may make such deductions from these sums as are provided for in this Contract.

(2) **FINAL COMPLETION AND FINAL PAYMENT**. Upon receipt of written notice that the work is ready for final inspection and acceptance and upon receipt of Final Application for Payment, the Administrator will promptly make such inspection and, when he finds the work acceptable under the Contract Documents and the contract fully performed, he will promptly issue a final Certificate of Payment stating that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, and on the basis of his

observations and inspections, the work has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents and that the entire balance found to be due the Contractor, and noted in said final Certificate, is due and payable. The Administrator's final Certificate for Payment will constitute a further representation that the conditions precedent to the Contractor's being entitled to final payment as set forth herein had been fulfilled. The acceptance of final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the Contractor except those previously made in writing and identified by the Contractor as unsettled at the time of the final Application for Payment.

(3) **NO INTEREST TO BE PAID**. No interest is to be allowed or paid by the Town upon any monies retained under the provisions of this contract.

(4) CONTINGENT UPON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

The Town's obligation under this RFP is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for RFP purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Town for any payment may arise until all funds are made available and approved for this RFP and until a Purchase Order has been issued.

- J. **CONTENTS OF CONTRACT**. The information for bidders, the proposal, the specifications, together with special provisions following herewith, and the bond and any and all additions which may be inserted or attached to any, or all of the sections as listed above, together with the drawings named in the information for bidders are made a part of this Contract.
- K. AUTHORITY AND DUTIES OF INSPECTOR. An Inspector is a representative (but not a duly authorized representative as referred to in Article B of this Contract) of the Administrator assigned to make any and all necessary inspections of the work performed and materials furnished by the Contractor. Inspectors shall be authorized to inspect all work done on materials furnished. Such inspection may extend to all or any part of the work and to the preparation of the materials to be used. In case of dispute arising between the Contractor and the Inspector as to materials furnished or the manner of performing the work, the Inspector shall have the authority to reject material or suspend the work until the question at issue can be referred to and decided by the Administrator.
- L. The Inspector shall not be authorized to revoke, alter, enlarge, relax or release any requirements of the specifications nor to approve or accept any portion of the work, nor to issue instruction contrary to the plans and specifications. The Inspector shall not act as foreman or perform other duties of the Contractor nor interfere with the management of the work by the Contractor. Any advice which the Inspector may give the Contractor shall in no way be construed as binding the Administrator of the Town in any way nor releasing the Contractor from the fulfillment of the terms of the Contract.
- M. FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES. The Contractor hereby agrees that neither he nor his subcontractors will refuse to hire or employ or to bar or to discharge from employment an individual or to discriminate against him in compensation or in terms, condition or privilege of employment because of race, color, religious creed, age, sex, national origin or ancestry, except in the case of bona fide occupational qualification or need.

The Contractor further agrees that neither he nor his subcontractors will discharge, expel or otherwise discriminate against any person because he has opposed any unfair employment practice or because

he has filed a complaint or testify or assisted in any proceeding under Section 31-127 of the Connecticut General Statutes. The advertisement of employment opportunities will be carried out in such manner as not to restrict such employment so as to discriminate against individuals because of their race, color, religious creed, age, sex, national origin or ancestry, except in the case of a bona fide occupational qualification or need.

The terms stated above are taken from Section 31-126 of the Connecticut General Statutes, "Unfair Employment Practices".

- **N. LAWS AND JURISDICTION**. The parties hereto agree that this contract is subject to the laws and jurisdiction of the State of Connecticut.
- **O. COMPLIANCE WITH THE IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1986**. The Contractor hereby agrees that he is aware of and has complied with the hiring and documentation requirements of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.

The Contractor agrees that it has asked for and examined documentation in order to verify the legal employability of its employees and has executed the appropriate forms attesting thereto pursuant to the Act.

The Contractor further agrees to indemnify and hold the Town harmless from any costs and/or penalties incurred, including but not limited to fines, attorneys' fees and costs arising from a claim of violation of said Act.

- **P. DISPUTES**. The parties agree that any dispute will be submitted to the Superior Court, Judicial District of Tolland, at Rockville, Connecticut.
- **Q. ANTI-TRUST PROVISIONS**. The Contractor or Subcontractor offers and agrees to assign to the Town all right, title and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 15, or under Chapter 624 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, arising out of the purchase of services, property or intangibles of any kind pursuant to a public purchase contract or subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the Town awards or accepts such contract, without further acknowledgement by the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto set their hands and seal this

_____ day of _____, 2022.

Signed in the presence of:

THE TOWN OF VERNON:

By: _____

Michael J. Purcaro Town Administrator

Signed in the presence of:

By: ______ Name: Title: