



CITY OF DULUTH
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR
HISTORIC DISTRICT PRESERVATION DESIGN GUIDELINES

RFP NUMBER 21-AA14
ISSUED MARCH 16, 2021

PROPOSALS DUE THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 2021

SUBMIT TO

CITY OF DULUTH
ATTN: PURCHASING DIVISION
CITY HALL, ROOM 120
411 WEST 1ST STREET
DULUTH, MN 55802

PART I - GENERAL INFORMATION

I-1. Project Overview. The City of Duluth is requesting proposals for a consulting group to prepare historic design guidelines for the Duluth's Commercial Historic District, which as listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2006. The City is anticipating that limited design guidelines and best practices will apply to all structures in this historic district, including proposed infill structures, but more detailed and rigorous standards will only apply to structures which are designated "contributing resources" to the Duluth Commercial Historic District. Additionally, recommendations for infill development to ensure consistency and support for the historic character of the area district will be created to provide clear expectations to property owners throughout the area. There are approximately 114 buildings in this district, of which 87 are classified as "contributing" structure (see attachment A, map).

This project is funded in part with Federal funds. The awarded consultant shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, and regulations. All work under this RFP must be completed by July 31, 2021.

Additional detail is provided in **Part IV** of this RFP.

I-2. Calendar of Events. The City will make every effort to adhere to the following schedule:

Activity	Date
Pre-proposal Conference via WebEx	Thursday, March 25, 2021, 3:00 pm
Deadline to submit Questions via email to purchasing@duluthmn.gov	Friday, March 26, 2021, 4:30 pm
Answers to questions will be posted to the City website no later than this date.	Tuesday, March 30, 2021, 4:30 pm
Proposals must be received in the Purchasing Office by this date.	Thursday, April 8, 2021, 4:30 pm

I-3. Rejection of Proposals. The City reserves the right, in its sole and complete discretion, to reject any and all proposals or cancel the request for proposals, at any time prior to the time a contract is fully executed, when it is in its best interests. The City is not liable for any costs the Bidder incurs in preparation and submission of its proposal, in participating in the RFP process or in anticipation of award of the contract.

I-4. Pre-proposal Conference. The City will hold an optional pre-proposal conference as specified in the Calendar of Events. Interested Bidders can attend via webex; meeting link to be posted in live-meeting <https://duluthmn.gov/live-meeting>.

I-5. Questions & Answers. Any questions regarding this RFP must be submitted by e-mail to the Purchasing Office at purchasing@duluthmn.gov **no later than** the date indicated on the Calendar of Events. Answers to the questions will be posted as an Addendum to the RFP.

I-6. Addenda to the RFP. If the City deems it necessary to revise any part of this RFP before the proposal response date, the City will post an addendum to its website <http://www.duluthmn.gov/purchasing/bids-request-for-proposals/> . Although an e-mail notification will be sent, it is the Bidder's responsibility to periodically check the website for any new information

I-7. Proposals. Electronic copies of proposals should be emailed to purchasing@duluthmn.gov. The cost portion of the proposal shall be a separate file or section from the technical portion of the proposal.

Proposals must be in a Microsoft -Office compatible or pdf format. Proposals must be received no later than 4:30 pm on April 8, 2021. The City of Duluth reserves the right to reject or to deduct evaluation points for late proposals.

Proposals must be signed by an authorized official. If the official signs the Proposal Cover Sheet attached as Appendix A, this requirement will be met. Proposals must remain valid for 60 days or until a contract is fully executed.

All materials submitted in response to this RFP will become property of the City and will become public record after the evaluation process is completed and an award decision made.

I-8.Small Diverse Business Information. The City encourages participation by minority, women, and veteran-owned businesses as prime contractors, and encourages all prime contractors to make a significant commitment to use minority, women, veteran-owned and other disadvantaged business entities as subcontractors and suppliers. A list of certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises is maintained by the Minnesota Unified Certification Program at <http://mnucp.metc.state.mn.us/> .

I-9. Term of Contract. The awarded Consultant will be expected to sign the City's standard short form consulting agreement (attached as Appendix C). The term of the contract will begin once the contract is fully executed and will end by July 31, 2021. All billable work under this agreement must be completed by July 31, 2021. The selected Bidder shall not start the performance of any work nor shall the City be liable to pay the selected Bidder for any service or work performed or expenses incurred before the contract is executed.

I-10. Mandatory Disclosures. By submitting a proposal, each Bidder understands, represents, and acknowledges that:

- A. Their proposal has been developed by the Bidder independently and has been submitted without collusion with and without agreement, understanding, or planned common course of action with any other vendor or suppliers of materials, supplies, equipment, or services described in the Request for Proposals, designed to limit independent bidding or competition, and that the contents of the proposal have not been communicated by the Bidder or its employees or agents to any person not an employee or agent of the Bidder.
- B. There is no conflict of interest. A conflict of interest exists if a Bidder has any interest that would actually conflict, or has the appearance of conflicting, in any manner or degree with the performance of work on the project. If there are potential conflicts, identify the municipalities, developers, and other public or private entities with whom your company is currently, or have been, employed and which may be affected.
- C. It is not currently under suspension or debarment by the State of Minnesota, any other state or the federal government.
- D. The company is either organized under Minnesota law or has a Certificate of Authority from the Minnesota Secretary of State to do business in Minnesota, in accordance with the requirements in M.S. 303.03.

I-11. Notification of Selection. Bidders whose proposals are not selected will be notified in writing.

PART II - PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposals must include the proposed scope of work, proposed cost estimate (not to exceed), an estimate of time to complete the process, (hourly rate not to exceed \$79.68) and the contact information (name, phone & email) of references for any similar projects which your firm has successfully completed.

PART III - CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The proposals will be reviewed by City Staff. The intent of the selection process is to review proposals and make an award based upon qualifications as described therein. A 100-point scale will be used to create the final evaluation recommendations. The factors and weighting on which proposals will be judged are:

Qualifications of the Bidder and Personnel	40%
Prior experience with similar work	30%
Work Plan	10%
Cost	20%

PART IV – PROJECT DETAIL

The City of Duluth is requesting proposals for a consulting group to prepare historic design guidelines for the Duluth's Commercial Historic District, which was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2006. The City is anticipating that limited design guidelines and best practices will apply to all structures in this historic district, including proposed infill structures, but more detailed and rigorous standards will only apply to structures which are designated "contributing resources" to the Duluth Commercial Historic District.

The final design guidelines shall be prepared in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties, which is intended to provide property owners, contractors and developers assistance as they plan alterations to their historic buildings as well as to standardize the information used to give guidance to the City during decision making. These design guidelines should be user friendly and easy for citizens to understand, with clear documentation and exhibits/imagery, and the end product shall be in a form that is also distributable to citizens in a handout or brochure format.

Adopting the design guidelines would require public meetings, and it is expected that the successful consulting group would be available, in conjunction and with assistance of city staff, to present information at one meeting with members of the public and impacted property owners, and to present information at one meeting with members of Duluth's citizen commissions or City Council. The project is funded in part with a grant from the National Park Service and administered by the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office.

All work under this RFP must be completed by July 31, 2021.

The total budget for this project is \$30,000. \$24,000 (80%) of the budget is from a federal grant from the National Park Service, U. S. Department of the Interior. The remaining \$8,000 (20%) is from the Duluth Economic Development Authority.

**APPENDIX A - PROPOSAL COVER SHEET
CITY OF DULUTH
RFP# 21-AA14**

Bidder Information:	
Bidder Name	
Mailing Address	
Contact Person	
Contact Person's Phone Number	
Contact Person's E-Mail Address	
Federal ID Number	
Authorized Signature	
Title	

APPENDIX B



CITY OF DULUTH

Duluth Commercial Historic District and Pastoret Building Location

WENCK
Responsive partner. Exceptional outcomes.

MAY 2018

Figure 8

APPENDIX C
AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
BY AND BETWEEN

Click or tap here to enter text.

AND
CITY OF DULUTH

THIS AGREEMENT, effective as of the date of attestation by the City Clerk (the “Effective Date”), by and between the City of Duluth, hereinafter referred to as City, and Click or tap here to enter text. located at Click or tap here to enter text., hereinafter referred to as Consultant for the purpose of rendering services to the City.

WHEREAS, the City has requested consulting services for Click or tap here to enter text., (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, Consultant has represented itself as qualified and willing to perform the services required by the City; and

WHEREAS, Consultant submitted a proposal to provide services for the Project (the “Proposal”), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to utilize Consultant’s professional services for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions hereinafter contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

I. Services

Consultant will provide services related to the Project as described in Consultant’s Proposal (the “Services”). Consultant agrees that it will provide its services at the direction of the Click or tap here to enter text. (“Click or tap here to enter text.”). In the event of a conflict between the Proposal and this Agreement, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be deemed controlling.

II. Fees

It is agreed between the parties that Consultant’s maximum fee for the Project and Services shall not exceed the sum of Click or tap here to enter text. and Click or tap here to enter text./100th dollars (\$Click or tap here to enter text.) inclusive of all travel and other expenses associated with the Project, payable from Fund Click or tap here to enter text.. All invoices for services rendered shall be submitted monthly to the attention of the Click or tap here to enter text.. Payment of expenses is subject to the City’s receipt of reasonable substantiation/back-up supporting such expenses.

III. General Terms and Conditions

1. Amendments

Any alterations, variations, modifications or waivers of terms of this Agreement shall be binding upon the City and Consultant only upon being reduced to writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of each party.

2. Assignment

Consultant represents that it will utilize only its own personnel in the performance of the services set forth herein; and further agrees that it will neither assign, transfer or subcontract any rights or obligations under this Agreement without prior written consent of the City. The Primary Consultant(s) assigned to this project will be [Click or tap here to enter text.](#) (the "Primary Consultant"). The Primary Consultant shall be responsible for the delivery of professional services required by this Agreement and, except as expressly agreed in writing by the City in its sole discretion, the City is not obligated to accept the services of any other employee or agent of Consultant in substitution of the Primary Consultant. The foregoing sentence shall not preclude other employees of Consultant from providing support to the Primary Consultant in connection with Consultant's obligations hereunder.

3. Data and Confidentiality, Records and Inspection

- a. The City agrees that it will make available all pertinent information, data and records under its control for Consultant to use in the performance of this Agreement, or assist Consultant wherever possible to obtain such records, data and information.
- b. All reports, data, information, documentation and material given to or prepared by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement will be confidential and will not be released by Consultant without prior authorization from the City.
- c. Consultant agrees that all work created by Consultant for the City is a "work made for hire" and that the City shall own all right, title, and interest in and to the work, including the entire copyright in the work ("City Property"). Consultant further agrees that to the extent the work is not a "work made for hire" Consultant will assign to City ownership of all right, title and interest in and to the work, including ownership of the entire copyright in the work. Consultant agrees to execute, at no cost to City, all documents necessary for City to perfect its ownership of the entire copyright in the work. Consultant represents and warrants that the work created or prepared by Consultant will be original and will not infringe upon the rights of any third party, and Consultant further represents that the work will not have been previously assigned, licensed

or otherwise encumbered.

- d. Records shall be maintained by Consultant in accordance with requirements prescribed by the City and with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement. Such records shall be maintained for a period of six (6) years after receipt of final payment under this Agreement.
- e. Consultant will ensure that all costs shall be supported by properly executed payrolls, time records, invoices, contracts, vouchers, or other official documentation evidencing in proper detail the nature and propriety of the charges. All checks, payrolls, invoices, contracts, vouchers, orders, or other accounting documents pertaining in whole or in part to this Agreement shall be clearly identified and readily accessible.
- f. Consultant shall be responsible for furnishing to the City records, data and information as the City may require pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement.
- g. Consultant shall ensure that at any time during normal business hours and as often as the City may deem necessary, there shall be made available to the City for examination, all of its records with respect to all matters covered by this Agreement. Consultant will also permit the City to audit, examine, and make excerpts or transcripts from such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, conditions of employment, and other data relating to all matters covered by this Agreement.

4. Consultant Representation and Warranties

Consultant represents and warrants that:

- a. Consultant and all personnel to be provided by it hereunder has sufficient training and experience to perform the duties set forth herein and are in good standing with all applicable licensing requirements.
- b. Consultant and all personnel provided by it hereunder shall perform their respective duties in a professional and diligent manner in the best interests of the City and in accordance with the then current generally accepted standards of the profession for the provisions of services of this type.
- c. Consultant has complied or will comply with all legal requirements applicable to it with respect to this Agreement. Consultant will observe all applicable laws, regulations, ordinances and orders of the United States, State of Minnesota and agencies and political subdivisions thereof.

- d. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated do not and will not conflict with, or constitute a breach of or a default under, any agreement to which the Consultant is a party or by which it is bound, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance of any nature upon any of the property or assets of the Consultant contrary to the terms of any instrument or agreement.
- e. There is no litigation pending or to the best of the Consultant's knowledge threatened against the Consultant affecting its ability to carry out the terms of this Agreement or to carry out the terms and conditions of any other matter materially affecting the ability of the Consultant to perform its obligations hereunder.
- f. The Consultant will not, without the prior written consent of the City, enter into any agreement or other commitment the performance of which would constitute a breach of any of the terms, conditions, provisions, representations, warranties and/or covenants contained in this Agreement.

5. Agreement Period

The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and performance shall be completed by [Click or tap here to enter text.](#), unless terminated earlier as provided for herein.

Either party may, by giving written notice, specifying the effective date thereof, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part without cause. In the event of termination, all property and finished or unfinished documents and other writings prepared by Consultant under this Agreement shall become the property of the City and Consultant shall promptly deliver the same to the City. Consultant shall be entitled to compensation for services properly performed by it to the date of termination of this Agreement. In the event of termination due to breach by Consultant, the City shall retain all other remedies available to it, and the City shall be relieved from payment of any fees in respect of the services of Consultant which gave rise to such breach.

6. Independent Contractor

- a. It is agreed that nothing herein contained is intended or should be construed in any manner as creating or establishing the relationship of copartners between the parties hereto or as constituting Consultant as an agent, representative or employee of the City for any purpose or in any manner whatsoever. The parties do not intend to create any third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

Consultant and its employees shall not be considered employees of the City, and any and all claims that may or might arise under the Worker's Compensation Act of the State of Minnesota on behalf of Consultant's employees while so engaged, and any and all claims whatsoever on behalf of Consultant's employees arising out of employment shall in no way be the responsibility of City. Except for compensation provided in Section II of this Agreement, Consultant's employees shall not be entitled to any compensation or rights or benefits of any kind whatsoever from City, including without limitation, tenure rights, medical and hospital care, sick and vacation leave, Worker's Compensation, Unemployment Insurance, disability or severance pay and P.E.R.A. Further, City shall in no way be responsible to defend, indemnify or save harmless Consultant from liability or judgments arising out of intentional or negligent acts or omissions of Consultant or its employees while performing the work specified by this Agreement.

- b. The parties do not intend by this Agreement to create a joint venture or joint enterprise, and expressly waive any right to claim such status in any dispute arising out of this Agreement.
- c. Consultant expressly waives any right to claim any immunity provided for in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 466 or pursuant to the official immunity doctrine.

7. Indemnity

To the extent allowed by law, Consultant shall defend, indemnify and hold City and its employees, officers, and agents harmless from and against any and all cost or expenses, claims or liabilities, including but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses in connection with any claims resulting from the Consultant's a) breach of this agreement or b) its negligence or misconduct or that of its agents or contractors in performing the Services hereunder or c) any claims arising in connection with Consultant's employees or contractors, or d) the use of any materials supplied by the Consultant to the City unless such material was modified by City and such modification is the cause of such claim. This Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement for any reason.

8. Insurance

Consultant shall obtain and maintain for the Term of this Agreement the following minimum amounts of insurance from insurance companies authorized to do business in the State of Minnesota.

- a. Public Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance with limits not less than **\$1,500,000** Single Limit, shall be in a company approved by the city of Duluth; and shall provide for the following: Liability for Premises, Operations, Completed Operations, and Contractual Liability. **City of Duluth shall be named as Additional Insured by endorsement** under the Public Liability and Automobile Liability, or as an alternate, Consultant may provide Owners-Contractors Protective policy, naming himself and City of Duluth. **Upon execution of this Agreement**, Consultant shall provide Certificate of Insurance evidencing such coverage with 30-days' notice of cancellation, non-renewal or material change provisions included.
- b. Professional Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$1,500,000 Single Limit; provided further that in the event the professional malpractice insurance is in the form of "claims made," insurance, 60 days' notice prior to any cancellation or modification shall be required; and in such event, Consultant agrees to provide the City with either evidence of new insurance coverage conforming to the provisions of this paragraph which will provide unbroken protection to the City, or, in the alternative, to purchase at its cost, extended coverage under the old policy for the period the state of repose runs; the protection to be provided by said "claims made" insurance shall remain in place until the running of the statute of repose for claims related to this Agreement.
- c. Consultant shall also provide evidence of Statutory Minnesota Workers' Compensation Insurance.
- d. A certificate showing continued maintenance of such insurance shall be on file with the City during the term of this Agreement.
- e. The City of Duluth does not represent or guarantee that these types or limits of coverage are adequate to protect the Consultant's interests and liabilities.

9. Notices

Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, any notice or other communication required or given shall be in writing and shall be effective for any purpose if served, with delivery or postage costs prepaid, by nationally recognized commercial overnight delivery service or by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following addresses:

City:

City of Duluth
411 W First Street
City Hall Room Click or tap here to enter text.
Duluth MN 55802
Attn: Click or tap here to enter text.

Consultant:

Click or tap here to enter text.
Click or tap here to enter text.
Click or tap here to enter text.
Attn: Click or tap here to enter text.

10. Civil Rights Assurances

Consultant, as part of the consideration under this Agreement, does hereby covenant and agree that:

- a. No person on the grounds of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, marital status, status with respect to public assistance, sexual orientation, and/or disability shall be excluded from any participation in, denied any benefits of, or otherwise subjected to discrimination with regard to the work to be done pursuant to this Agreement.
- b. That all activities to be conducted pursuant to this Agreement shall be conducted in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act of 1974, as amended (Chapter 363), Title 7 of the U.S. Code, and any regulations and executive orders which may be affected with regard thereto.

11. Laws, Rules and Regulations

Consultant agrees to observe and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of the United States of America, the State of Minnesota and the City with respect to their respective agencies which are applicable to its activities under this Agreement.

12. Applicable Law

This Agreement, together with all of its paragraphs, terms and provisions is made in the State of Minnesota and shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Minnesota.

13. Force Majeure

Neither party shall be liable for any failure of or delay in performance of its obligations under his Agreement to the extent such failure or delay is due to circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, acts of God, acts of a public enemy, fires, floods, wars, civil disturbances, sabotage,

accidents, insurrections, blockades, embargoes, storms, explosions, labor disputes, acts of any governmental body (whether civil or military, foreign or domestic), failure or delay of third parties or governmental bodies from whom a party is obtaining or must obtain approvals, franchises or permits, or inability to obtain labor, materials, equipment, or transportation. Any such delays shall not be a breach of or failure to perform this Agreement or any part thereof and the date on which the party's obligations hereunder are due to be fulfilled shall be extended for a period equal to the time lost as a result of such delays.

14. Severability

In the event any provision herein shall be deemed invalid or unenforceable, the remaining provision shall continue in full force and effect and shall be binding upon the parties to this Agreement.

15. Entire Agreement

It is understood and agreed that the entire agreement of the parties including all exhibits is contained herein and that this Agreement supersedes all oral agreements and negotiations between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof. Any amendment to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be executed by the same parties who executed the original agreement or their successors in office.

16. Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original as against any party whose signature appears thereon, but all of which together shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Signatures to this Agreement transmitted by facsimile, by electronic mail in "portable document format" (".pdf"), or by any other electronic means which preserves the original graphic and pictorial appearance of the Agreement, shall have the same effect as physical delivery of the paper document bearing the original signature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands as of the date of attestation shown below.

CITY OF DULUTH

Click or tap here to enter text.

By:

By:

Mayor

Company Representative

Attest:

Its:

City Clerk

Title of Representative

Date Attested: _____

Date: _____

Countersigned:

City Auditor

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

City of Duluth
Supplementary Provisions – State & Federal Funding

1. Disbursements

- a. No money under this Contract shall be disbursed by the City to any Consultant unless the Consultant is in compliance with the Federal Agency requirements with regard to accounting and fiscal matters to the extent they are applicable.
- b. Unearned payments under this Contract may be suspended or terminated upon the Consultant's refusal to accept any additional conditions that may be imposed by the Federal Agency at any time; or if the grant, if applicable, to the City under which this Contract is made is suspended or terminated.

2. Subcontracting Requirements

- a. The Consultant shall include in any subcontract the clauses set forth in these City of Duluth Supplementary Provisions in their entirety and shall also include a clause requiring the subconsultants to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts which they may enter into, together with a clause requiring this insertion in any further subcontracts that may in turn be made.
- b. The Consultant shall not subcontract any part of the work covered by this Contract or permit subcontracted work to be further subcontracted without the City's prior written approval of the subconsultants. The City will not approve any subconsultant for work covered by this Contract who is at the time ineligible under the provisions of any applicable regulations issued by a Federal Agency or the Secretary of Labor, United States Department of Labor, to receive an award of such subcontract.

3. Breach of Contract.

The City may, subject to the Force Majeure provisions below and in addition to its other rights under the Contract, declare the Consultant in breach of the Contract by written notice thereof to the Consultant, and terminate the Contract in whole or in part, in accordance with Section 4, Termination, for reasons including but not limited to any of the following:

- a. Failure to begin the Work within the time specified in the Contract;
- b. Failure to perform the Work with sufficient labor, equipment, or material to insure the completion of the specified Work in accordance with the Contract terms;
- c. Unsatisfactory performance of the Work;
- d. Failure or refusal to remove material, or remove and replace any Work rejected as defective or unsatisfactory;
- e. Discontinuance of the Work without approval;
- f. Failure to resume the Work, which has been discontinued, within a reasonable time after notice to do so;
- g. Insolvency or bankruptcy;
- h. Failure to protect, to repair, or to make good any damage or injury to property;
- i. Breach of any provision of the Contract;
- j. Misrepresentations made in the Consultant's bid/proposal; or
- k. Failure to comply with applicable industry standards, customs, and practice.

4. Termination.

If the Consultant is in breach of the Contract, the City, by written notice to the Consultant, may terminate the Consultant's right to proceed with the Work. Upon such termination, the City may take over the Work and prosecute the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and the Consultant and its sureties shall be liable to the City for any additional cost incurred by the City in its completion of the Work and they shall also be liable to the City for liquidated damages for any delay in the completion of the Work as provided below. If the Consultant's right to proceed is terminated, the City may take possession of and utilize in completing the Work such materials, tools, equipment, and plant as may be on the site of the Work and necessary therefore.

City shall have the right to terminate this contract immediately without other cause in the event that all or a portion of the funds that the City intends to use to fund its obligations under the contract have their source with the State or Federal government or any agency thereof and said source reduces or eliminates their obligation to provide some or all of the funds previously committed by it to fund City's payment obligations under the Contract. The City agrees that termination hereunder will not relieve the City of its obligation to pay Consultant for Work satisfactorily

performed and reasonable costs incurred prior to the effective date.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the City may terminate this Contract at any time upon written notice given by the City (for any reason, including the convenience of the City) to the Consultant at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of the termination of this Contract. The City agrees that termination hereunder will not relieve the City of its obligation to pay Consultant for Work satisfactorily performed and reasonable costs incurred prior to the effective date of the termination provided that Consultant has not committed a breach of this Contract. Nothing contained in this section shall prevent either party from pursuing or collecting any damages to which it may be entitled by law.

5. Force Majeure.

The right of the Consultant to proceed shall not be terminated nor shall the Consultant be charged with liquidated damages for any delays in the completion of the Work due to any acts of the Government, including controls or restrictions upon or requisitioning of materials, equipment, tools, or labor by reason of war, National Defense, or any other national emergency; any acts of the City; causes not reasonably foreseeable by the parties to this Contract at the time of the execution of the Contract which are beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Consultant, including, but not restricted to, acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of another Consultant in their performance of some other contract with the City, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and weather of unusual severity such as hurricanes, tornadoes, cyclones, and other extreme weather conditions; nor to any delay of any subconsultant occasioned by any of the causes specified above. The Consultant shall promptly notify the City in writing within ten (10) days of the delay. Upon receipt of such notification, the City shall ascertain the facts and the cause of the delay. If, upon the basis of facts and the terms of the Contract, the delay is properly excusable, the City shall extend the time for completing the Work for a period of time commensurate with the period of excusable delay.

6. Equal Employment Opportunity.

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

- a. The Consultant will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Consultant will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Consultant agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- b. The Consultant will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Consultant, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- c. The Consultant will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Consultant's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- d. The Consultant will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- e. The Consultant will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- f. In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Consultant may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- g. The Consultant will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (g) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules,

regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subconsultant or vendor. The Consultant will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event a Consultant becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subconsultant or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the Consultant may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

7. Contracting with Small and Minority Businesses, Women's Business Enterprises, and Labor Surplus Area Firms.

Per 2 CFR 200.321, prime Consultant must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms (collectively referred to as socioeconomic firms) are used when possible. The affirmative steps must include:

- a. Placing qualified socioeconomic firms on solicitation lists;
- b. Assuring that socioeconomic firms are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
- c. Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by socioeconomic firms;
- d. Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirements permit, which encourage participation by socioeconomic firms; and
- e. Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

8. Energy Standards.

Consultant shall comply with all mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (42 U.S.C. 6201).

9. Suspension and Debarment.

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 49 CFR Part 29. As such, the Consultant is required to verify that none of the Consultant, its principals, as defined at 49 CFR 29.995, or affiliates, as defined at 49 CFR 29.905, are excluded or disqualified as defined at 49 CFR 29.940 and 29.945. The Consultant is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

10. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)

Consultants must certify that that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352.

11. Written Agreements.

- a. Consultant shall not use his/her position for the actual or apparent purpose of private gain other than payment for services rendered for himself/herself or another person, particularly one with whom he/she has family, business, or financial ties.
- b. Consultant shall not convey inside information that has not become part of the body of public information and that would not be available upon request, directly to any person for the purpose of private gain for himself/herself or another person, particularly one with whom he/she has family, business, or financial ties.
- c. Consultant shall not, either for or without compensation, engage in teaching, lecturing, or writing that is dependent on information obtained as a result of his/her employment with the grantee, except when that information has been made available to the general public or will be made available upon request, or when the SHPO gives written authorization for the use of nonpublic information on the basis that the use is in the public interest.

12. Access to Records.

The Consultant agrees to provide the City of Duluth, Department of the Interior, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Consultant which are directly pertinent to this contract, for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcription. Consultants shall maintain all required records for 3 years after final payment and all other pending

matters are closed. If an audit, litigation, or other action involving the records is started before the end of the 3-year period, the records must be retained until all issues arising out of the action are resolved or until the end of the 3-year period, whichever is later. The Consultant agrees to include this provision in any subcontracts.

13. No Obligation by Federal Government.

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, Consultant, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.