CITY OF CORINTH

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

1.0 DEFINITION

Vendors/Contractors shall procure and maintain for the duration of the contract, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the vendor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. The cost of such insurance shall be borne by the vendor. A certificate of insurance meeting all requirements and provisions shall be provided to the City prior to any services being performed or rendered. Renewal certificates shall also be supplied upon expiration.

- A. Minimum Scope of Insurance: Coverage shall be at least as broad as:
 - 1. ISO Form Number GL 00 01 (or similar form) covering Commercial General Liability. "Occurrence" form only, <u>"claims made" forms are unacceptable</u>. Policy must include coverage for:
 - a. Premises/Operations
 - b. Broad Form Contractual Liability
 - c. Products and Completed Operations
 - d. Personal Injury
 - e. Broad Form Property Damage
 - f. Independent Contractors
 - Workers Compensation insurance as required by the Labor Code of the State of Texas, including Employers' Liability Insurance. Worker's Compensation /Employers' Liability insurance is only required if contractor/vendor will use their own employees for the provision of General or Professional services under the contract
 - 3. Automobile Liability as required by the State of Texas, covering all owned, hired, or non-owned vehicles. Automobile Liability is only required if vehicle(s) will be used under the contract.
 - 4. Professional Liability, also known as Errors and Omissions Coverage. Professional Liability is only required for Professional Services contracts.
- **B. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions:** Any deductible or self-insured retention in excess of \$10,000 must be declared to and approved by the City.
- **C. Other Insurance Provisions:** The policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain the following provisions.
 - 1. General Liability and Automobile Liability Coverage:
 - a. The City, its officers, officials, employees, boards and commissions and volunteers are to be added as "Additional Insured's" relative to liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of the vendor/contractor, products and completed operations of the vendor, premises owned, occupied or used by the vendor/contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the City, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.
 - b. The vendor/contractor insurance coverage shall be primary insurance in respects to the City, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be in excess of the vendor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

- c. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policy shall not affect coverage provided to the City, its officers, officials, employees, boards, and commissions or volunteers.
- d. The vendor/contractor insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom the claim is made or suit is brought, except to the limits of the insured's limit of liability.
- <u>Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability Coverage</u>: The insurer shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers for losses arising from work performed by the vendor for the City.
- 3. <u>All Coverage:</u> Each insurance policy required by this clause shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, canceled or non-renewed by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given the City. In the event the companies providing the required insurance are prohibited by law to provide any such specific endorsements, the vendor/contractor shall provide at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to the City of any cancellation, non-renewal and/or material changes to any of the policies of insurance. Failure to provide notification shall be deemed a default and/or breach of contract.
- 4. The City may request different limits of coverage depending on the scope or cost of the project.
- D. Acceptability of Insurers: The City prefers that insurance be placed with insurers with an A.M. Best's rating of no less than A-VI, or better.
- E. Verification of Coverage: Vendor/Contractor shall provide the City certificates of insurance indicating the coverage required. The certificates are to be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Certificates of Insurance similar to the ACORD Form are acceptable. City will not accept Memorandums of Insurance or Binders as proof of insurance. The City reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies at any time.
- F. **Insurance Waiver Request.** Vendors/contractors requesting a waiver of the minimum limits of insurance identified in section 1.2.B must submit the request in writing. Please note, commercial general liability cannot be waived. Requests to waive other coverage requirements will be considered in the bid evaluation process. The vendor/contractor must also complete, sign, and return the <u>Release Agreement</u> form to the Purchasing Office prior to authorization to perform services for the City.

1.2 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES REQUIREMENTS

A. Definition: Professional Services are defined as services performed by consultants or other professionals, including but not limited to: Accountants, Attorneys, Architects, Engineers, Surveyors, Veterinarians, Real Estate Appraisal, Optometry, Landscape Architects, Medical Doctors, and Materials Testing.

B. Minimum Limits of Insurance:

- 1. <u>Commercial General Liability</u>: \$500,000 per occurrence / \$2,000,000 in the aggregate for third party bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. Policy must include coverage listed in Section 1.A.1.
- <u>Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability</u>: Workers Compensation limits as required by the Labor Code of the State of Texas and Statutory Employer's Liability minimum limits of \$100,000 each accident, \$300,000 Disease - Policy Limit, and \$100,000 Disease - Each Employee. Worker's Compensation /Employers' Liability insurance is only required if contractor/vendor will use their own employees for the provision of services under the contract.
- 3. <u>Automobile Liability:</u> \$500,000 Combined Single Limit. Limits can only be reduced if approved by the City. Automobile liability shall apply to all owned, hired, and non-owned autos. Automobile Liability is only required if vehicle(s) will be used under the contract.
- 4. <u>Professional Liability:</u> Also known as Errors and Omissions: \$1,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate. "Claims made" policy is acceptable coverage which must be maintained during the course of the project, and up to two (2) years after completion and acceptance of the project by the City.