

**CITY OF JERSEY CITY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**CONSULTING SERVICES TO EVALUATE THE
BUSINESS LICENSING AND PERMITTING PROCESS**

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**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
4:00 P.M.
12/17/15**

**ADDRESS ALL PROPOSALS TO:
Peter Folgado
Purchasing Agent
394 Central Avenue
Jersey City, New Jersey 07307**

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PURPOSE: Permitting/Licensing Consultant

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SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION & SUMMARY

1.1 Organization Requesting Proposal

City of Jersey City - Office of Innovation
City Hall
280 Grove Street
Jersey City, NJ 07302

1.2 Contact Person

Peter Folgado
Purchasing Agent
394 Central Ave, 2nd Floor
Jersey City, New Jersey 07307
(201) 547-5156
peterf@jcnj.org

1.3 Procurement Process

This contract will be awarded as a contract for consulting services under the Competitive Contracting Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq. which is considered a “fair and open” process under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in this Request for Proposals (RFP). The governing body will approve a resolution awarding a contract to the consultant for a sum not to exceed a specified amount.

1.4 Contract Form

If selected to provide services, it is agreed and understood that the Successful Respondent shall be bound by the requirements and terms contained in this RFP with regard to services performed, payments, indemnification, insurance, termination, and applicable licensing provisions.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by the Successful Respondent shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the City arising out of, or by reason of, the work completed and materials furnished under this Contract.

1.5 Informational meeting

There will not be an informational meeting for this project. All communications concerning this RFP or the Proposal process shall be conducted through the City’s Purchasing portal – BidSync.com. Answers will be provided as an addendum to this RFP.

1.6 Submission deadline

Proposals must be submitted to and be received by the Division of Purchasing via mail or hand delivery, by 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on **12/17/2015**. Proposals will not be accepted by facsimile transmission or e-mail.

1.7 Opening of Proposals

Proposals shall be opened in public at 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on **12/17/2015** in the Division of Purchasing Conference Room (2nd floor), 394 Central Avenue, Jersey City, NJ.

1.8 Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to and are used in this Request for Proposal (RFP):

"City" - refers to the City of Jersey City.

"Competitive Contracting" – refers to the process by which proposals are evaluated and contracts are awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq.

"Contract" - refers to the award given pursuant to this RFP, and consisting of this RFP, the Proposal and all required forms, with all necessary and original signatures, and any supplements or amendments thereto.

"Proposal" – refers to any response submitted pursuant to this Request for Proposals.

"RFP" - refers to this Request for Proposals, including any amendments thereof or supplements thereto.

"Respondent" or "Respondents" - refers to the interested persons and/or firm(s) that submit a Proposal.

"Consultant" or "Consultants" - refers to the interested persons and/or firm(s) that submit a Proposal.

"Successful Respondent" - refers to the Respondent to which the contract is awarded.

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1.9 Submission address

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SECTION 2: INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 Introduction and Purpose

The City is seeking Proposals from qualified vendors for services as described in Section 4 (Project Objectives) and Section 5 (Scope of Services).

2.2 Procurement Process and Schedule

This Contract will be awarded using the competitive contracting provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq., which is considered a “fair and open” process under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

The City has structured a procurement process that seeks to obtain the desired results described above, while establishing a competitive environment to assure that each Respondent is provided an equal opportunity to submit a Proposal in response to the RFP.

Proposals will be reviewed and evaluated by a committee appointed by the Business Administrator, in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 7 of this RFP, which will be applied in the same manner to each Proposal received.

The proposals will be reviewed to determine if the Respondent has met the professional, administrative, and subject areas described in this RFP.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.3(c)(2)(i), the names of the individuals who serve as committee members shall not be publicly disclosed until the evaluation report is presented to the governing body.

The Committee reserves the right to conduct interviews and/or to request that Proposers make presentations and/or demonstrations, as the Committee shall deem applicable and appropriate.

The RFP process commences with the issuance of this RFP. The steps involved in the process and the anticipated completion dates are set forth in the Procurement Schedule below. The City reserves the right to, among other things, amend, modify or alter the Procurement Schedule upon notice to all potential Respondents.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Date</u>
1. Issuance of Request for Proposals	11/24/2015
2. Receipt of Proposals	12/17/2015
3. Completion of evaluation of Proposals	1/4/2016
4. Award of contract	1/13/2016

2.3 Addenda or Amendments to RFP

During the period provided for the preparation of Proposals, the City may issue addenda, amendments or answers to written inquiries. Those addenda will be noticed by the City and will constitute a part of the RFP. Each Respondent is required to acknowledge receipt of all addenda by executing and submitting with its Proposal the "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Addenda". The Proposal will be rejected by the City if a Respondent does not include the Acknowledgment of Receipt of Addenda with its Proposal. All Proposals shall be prepared with full consideration of the addenda issued prior to the Proposal submission date.

All communications concerning this RFP or the Proposal process shall be conducted through the City's Purchasing portal – BidSync.com. Responses to all questions will be forwarded as addenda to all prospective Respondents who have provided accurate and current contact information (mailing address, fax number, e-mail address) via the BidSync portal.

No oral interpretation and or clarification of the meaning of the specifications for any goods and services will be made to any Respondent. Such requests shall be through the City's Purchasing portal – BidSync.com. In order to be given consideration, a written request must be received at least seven (7) business days prior to the date fixed for the opening of the Proposal for goods and services.

Subsequent to issuance of this RFP, the City (through the issuance of addenda to all persons and/or firms that have received a copy of the RFP) may modify, supplement or amend the provisions of this Proposal specification in order to respond to inquiries received from prospective Respondents or as otherwise deemed necessary or appropriate by (and in the sole judgment of) the City.

2.4 Rights of the City

The City reserves, holds and may exercise, at its sole discretion, the following rights and options with regard to this RFP and the procurement process in accordance with the provisions of applicable law:

- To determine that any Proposal received complies or fails to comply with the terms of this RFP.
- To reject any and all responses and/or components thereof and to eliminate any and all Respondents responding to this RFP from further consideration for this procurement.
- To reject any Respondent that submits incomplete responses to this RFP, or a Proposal that is not responsive to the requirements of this RFP.

- To supplement, amend, or otherwise modify this RFP, without prior notice, or to otherwise request additional information.
- To waive any technical non-conformance with the terms of this RFP.
- To change or alter the schedule for any events called for in this RFP upon the issuance of notice to all prospective Respondents who have received a copy of this RFP.
- To conduct investigations of any or all of the Respondents, as the City deems necessary or convenient, to clarify the information provided as part of the Proposal and to request additional information to support the information included in any Proposal.
- To suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFP at any time (in its sole discretion.) If terminated, the City may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.
- The City shall be under no obligation to complete all or any portion of the procurement process described in this RFP.

2.5 Cost of Proposal Preparation

Each Proposal and all information required to be submitted pursuant to the RFP shall be prepared at the sole cost and expense of the Respondents. There shall be no claims whatsoever against the City, its officers, officials, or employees for reimbursement for the payment of costs or expenses incurred in the preparation of the Proposal or other information required by the RFP.

2.6 Written Proposal

Respondents must submit a written Proposal in a format specified by the City. The required format is detailed in Section 3.

2.7 Communications regarding this RFP

All communications concerning this RFP or the RFP process shall be directed to the City's contact person via BidSync and must be received at least twelve (12) days before the RFP due date. Responses to all questions will be forwarded as addenda to all prospective Respondents who have provided contact information and posted on BidSync. It is the prospective Respondent's responsibility to provide accurate contact information.

2.8 Additional requirements

Consultant is required to comply with requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127, the Law Against Discrimination and with N.J.A.C 17:27-1.1 et seq, the Affirmative Action Rules.

A party responding to this RFP must indicate what type of business organization it is e.g., corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or non-profit organization. If a party is a subsidiary or direct or indirect affiliate of any other organization, it must indicate in its Proposal the name of the related organization and the relationship. If a party responding to this RFP is a corporation it shall list the names of those stockholders holding 10% or more of the outstanding stock. If a party responding to this RFP is a partnership, it shall list the names of those partners who own 10% or more of the partnership.

Section 8 of this document describes general terms and conditions. Section 9 of this document contains required administrative forms which must accompany all Proposals. Exclusion of any required form is grounds for rejection of Proposals.

2.9 Disposition of RFP

Upon submission of a Proposal in response to this RFP, the Respondent acknowledges and consents to the following conditions relative to the submission and review and consideration of its Proposal:

- All Proposals shall become the property of the City and will not be returned.
- All Proposals will become public information at the appropriate time, as determined by the City (in the exercise of its sole discretion) in accordance with law.

2.10 Open Public Records Act (OPRA) and Proprietary Information

Although Section 2.9 indicates that all proposals will become public information, it is understood that OPRA contains exceptions for “Trade secrets and proprietary commercial or financial information obtained from any source” and “Information which, if disclosed, would give an advantage to competitors or bidders”.

A Respondent may designate specific information as not subject to disclosure pursuant to the exceptions to OPRA found at N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1.1, when the Respondent has a good faith legal and or factual basis for such assertion. Therefore, Respondents shall submit two (2) clearly marked versions of their proposals. One version is to be a complete version to be used by the City for evaluation. The second version should contain redactions of legitimate “trade secrets and proprietary commercial or financial information” and/or “information which...would give an advantage to competitors or bidders”. This second version will be provided to persons submitting OPRA requests for information relating to this solicitation. **Failure to provide two**

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clearly marked proposals will mean that the Respondent agrees that the single version provided does not contain trade secrets or proprietary information and may be released pursuant to OPRA requests.

The City reserves the right to review information designated as proprietary or confidential, and will advise the Respondent if any redactions appear inconsistent with OPRA. The City will not honor any attempt by a Respondent to designate its entire proposal as proprietary, confidential and/or to claim copyright protection for its entire proposal. In the event of any challenge to the Respondent's assertion of confidentiality with which the City does not concur, the Respondent shall be solely responsible for defending its designation.

2.11 Term of Contract

This contract will be awarded for a term not to exceed one year.

2.12 Lobbyist Disclosure Ordinance

The contract will be awarded in accordance with the provisions of the City's Disclosure of Lobbyist Representative Status Ordinance §3-9.1 et seq. adopted on June 12, 2002. The Successful Respondent will be required to certify that the Successful Respondent either did not retain the services of a lobbyist to lobby on behalf of the Successful Respondent for the award of this contract, or if a lobbyist was retained by the Successful Respondent for such purposes, the Successful Respondent's lobbyist, prior to commencing his/her lobbying activities, shall have filed a notice of lobbyist representative status form with the City Clerk. The Successful Respondent whose lobbyist failed to comply with the provisions of Ordinance §3-9.1 et seq, following notice and an opportunity to be heard, shall be disqualified from entering into contracts with the City for a period of two (2) years for each violation.

SECTION 3: WRITTEN PROPOSAL FORMAT

Proposals must address all information requested in this RFP. Proposals which in the judgment of the City fail to meet the requirements of the RFP or which are in any way conditional, incomplete, obscure, contain additions or deletions from requested information, or contain errors may be rejected.

3.1 Mandatory content

Each Proposal submitted must contain the 11 sections described below:

- Title Page and Contact Information
- Table of Contents and Checklist Documents
- Executive Summary
- Background
- Objectives
- Project Approach, Organization, Workplan
- Key Dates & Deliverables
- City Responsibility/Assumptions
- Staffing
- Timing & Fees
- Appendices/Other

The information requested by the sectional format described above is further defined.

3.1.1 Title Page

The Proposal should include a title page, which identifies the project; the Respondent's Firm, name of the Respondent's primary contact, address, telephone number, and email address.

3.1.2 Table of Contents

The Respondent's Proposal should include a Table of Contents, which lists the titles and page numbers for each major topic and sub-topic contained in the Proposal.

3.1.3 Executive Summary

This section should include a summary of the key points and highlights of the Respondent's Proposal and should discuss the pricing contained in the Proposal.

3.1.4 Background

In this section, Respondents should provide the background on their company including but not limited to:

- a. Financial, identification of the parent company, services, organization and company goals

- b. Most recent Annual Report including auditor's report
- c. Organizational chart
- d. Brief biography of those involved in the management of the company
- e. Evidence of experience, capability and financial responsibility for providing licensing and permitting consulting services.

3.1.5 Objectives

The Respondent should include a statement outlining the general goals and objectives of its work in the Proposal.

3.1.6 Project Approach, Organization and Workplan

In this section, the Respondent should provide an overview of the general approach the Respondent is proposing. This should include detail of all assumptions being made to accomplish the desired approach. A discussion of the high level tasks and key milestones should be described in this section and tie directly or be referenced directly to deliverables in the workplan.

Respondents should highlight any risks they deem to be significant enough in nature, which could result in any priority specification within the project that would not be delivered on time, and on budget.

Additionally, the project plan should present a picture of key activities, milestones, key dates, etc. necessary to deliver this project. The City realizes that each Respondent brings its own methodology and work plan.

The City requires an initial deliverable within 2 months from the start of the project.

The City stakeholders involved in this project will represent a wide cross-section of City offices and departments, and Respondent project plans which demonstrate the ability to deal with the varied needs of a variety of stakeholders (both governmental and public) will be viewed more favorably.

3.1.7 Key Dates & Deliverables

This section should present a summary of key dates, milestones and associated deliverables found in the work plan. A description of what the City should expect to see and/or receive on the

associated date should be described and/or presented as examples. The City requires an initial deliverable within 2 months from the start of the project.

3.1.8 Jersey City Responsibilities/Assumptions

In this section, the Respondent should clearly describe any assumptions relating to the responsibilities and/or commitments the Respondent is expecting of the City throughout the life of this project, as well as any assumptions being made relating to any part of the Proposal or project strategy.

3.1.9 Staffing

In this section, the Respondent should state exactly the role the proposed team member will assume on each phase and detail the qualifications for the role that the team member possesses.

3.1.10 Timing and Fees

In this section, the Respondent should describe the timing and associated fees the Respondent is proposing for the project. Respondents should be sure to include all expenses associated with delivery, in addition to professional fees. If this section is not included or is incomplete, the City will assume that the Respondent will accept a lump sum payment following acceptance of final deliverable.

It is important to note that pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:5-16, the City is prohibited from paying for goods or services before they have been provided. Therefore, any Proposals which specify payment upon contract signing will be deemed unresponsive and rejected.

3.1.11 Appendices/Other

If Respondents feel that other materials are necessary (such as promotional literature or white papers) they should provide them in a separate document clearly labeled "Additional Materials" in order to adhere to the 20 page maximum guideline for Proposal length as described in section 6.5 (not including sample deliverables). Note that these materials may or may not be reviewed by all evaluators and will not be part of the official evaluation.

Finally, any out-of-scope services not covered in other sections should be included here. A description of the personnel likely to be involved, and the resources brought to bear (including costs and/or hourly rates) must be provided.

3.2 Required forms

Section 9 contains forms which are required to be submitted with each Proposal. These forms are administrative in nature and for the most part, self-explanatory.

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SECTION 4: PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The Office of Innovation is seeking expert insights and strategic guidance as to how to facilitate improvements in the business licensing and permitting processes in the City of Jersey City.

4.1 Objectives

The City of Jersey City is seeking to improve the business licensing and permitting process both internally (workflow management) and externally (simplifying the process for users), with the following specific objectives:

1. Understand the current business licensing and permitting process, including but not limited to required forms and documentation, steps in the process, timing, communications, and required stakeholders, both as it is perceived by customers and the internal workflow and management
2. Reduce processing times and improve efficiency
3. Improve access to information and the overall customer experience
4. Develop the framework, structure, and necessary components of an online application process and workflow management system and create specifications to be used for the licensing and permitting tool software procurement process. NOTE: the actual software will be procured using a separate procurement process, and the Successful Respondent will be prohibited from participating in the software procurement process.

SECTION 5: SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of services and required project output for this project includes the items listed below. Proposals must provide samples of the below listed items as outlined in section 5.4:

5.1 Existing Conditions Assessment

The Successful Respondent will conduct a detailed assessment of the existing business licensing and permitting procedures, which includes analysis of workflow, physical space, and costs.

5.2 Best Practices from Other Cities and Review of Relevant Primary Research

The Successful Respondent will provide case studies from comparable cities driven by primary research and analysis. Each Proposal should include demonstrable outcomes from other cities that have successfully improved their permitting and licensing processes by implementing recommendations from the Respondent that has been redacted to remove sensitive, proprietary, and/or confidential information which can include client names, business strategies, or personal information (“sanitized sample”).

5.3 Strategies and Recommendations

The Successful Respondent will provide the City with strategic recommendations including, but not limited to, the following:

- Short, medium and long-term actions that address the City's objectives (see section 4)
- Comprehensive and specific action plan to migrate the permitting and licensing process to an online system
- List of process and outcome metrics that shall be monitored to measure success

5.4 Proposal Content

Each Proposal shall include the following elements:

- At least one sanitized sample that provides examples of the Respondents ability to provide the services listed in sections 5.1, 5.2, and 5.3 respectively, plus any additional analyses or deliverables that the respondent feels will also be relevant and applicable in demonstrating the abilities of the Respondent
- A detailed timeline that lists deliverable dates and the starting and ending time for each portion of the work involved in this project
- Proposed methodology for performing the above analyses
- List of current and/or former engagements/studies with public sector clients (if not available, list may include private sector clients; sanitized lists are acceptable and preferred)

SECTION 6: PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To be responsive, Proposals must provide all requested information, and must be in strict conformance with the instructions set forth herein. Proposals and all related information must be bound, and signed and acknowledged by the Respondent.

6.1 Number of copies

Respondents must submit 3 copies of their Proposals:

- signed original (full)
- copy of full original (unbound for scanning and distribution)
- redacted, if applicable (unbound for scanning and distribution per OPRA)

Review Item 2.12 for guidelines on NJ's Open Public Records Act (OPRA) and proprietary information.

6.2 Proposal media

Proposals forwarded by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted, however Respondents may alternately submit one signed original (paper) and softcopy versions of original and redacted on CD or flash drive.

Please note that the City will not be responsible for softcopy files which cannot be opened, and that this may be grounds for rejection.

6.3 Proposal format

To facilitate a timely and comprehensive evaluation of all submitted Proposals, it is essential that all Respondents adhere to the required response format. The City requires a standard format for all Proposals submitted to ensure that clear, concise and complete statements are available from each Respondent in response to requirements.

The required format is detailed in Section 3.

The City is not under any obligation to search for clarification through additional or unformatted information submitted as a supplement to the formatted response.

Where a Proposal contains conflicting information, the City at its option may either request clarification or may consider the information unresponsive.

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6.4 Proposal length

The exact presentation and layout of Proposals is up to the discretion of the Respondent, however a maximum length of 20 pages (excluding required forms and sample deliverables) is strongly suggested.

6.5 Submission deadline

Proposals must be received by the City no later than 4:00 p.m. prevailing time on **12/17/2015**, and must be mailed or hand-delivered.

SECTION 7: PROPOSAL EVALUATION

The City's objective in soliciting Proposals is to enable it to select a Respondent that will provide high quality and cost effective services to the citizens of Jersey City. The City will consider Proposals only from Respondents that, in the City's sole judgment, have demonstrated the capability, reputation and willingness to provide high quality product and services in the manner described in this RFP.

7.1 Evaluation methodology

Proposals will be evaluated by the Business Administrator and/or his designee or a committee appointed by the Business Administrator. Each evaluator will score the written proposals and rank the Respondents.

7.2 Written response evaluation - criteria

There will be six broad criteria by which written Proposals will be evaluated. Each criterion will bear a certain weight, and the extent to which the criterion is met or exceeded will be determined by the committee members.

a. Required Format (22 points)

The committee will determine the extent to which the Proposal includes the required sections (Title page, Table of contents, etc). A maximum of two (2) points will be awarded for each section.

- Title Page and Contact Information
- Table of Contents and Checklist Documents
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b. Prior Experience/References (18 points)

Respondents are required to provide a list of current and/or former engagements/studies with public sector clients (if not available, this list may include private sector clients; sanitized lists are acceptable and preferred). Information within the list should include at a minimum: services provided, implementation date, and project time frame.

c. Sample Deliverables (15 points)

Respondents should provide at least one sanitized sample of each of the analyses described in Section 5, plus any additional analyses that the respondent feels will also be relevant and applicable. Respondents will be evaluated based primarily on quality of analysis and not on volume or formatting of presentation, although formatting will be a factor.

d. Cost (10 points)

The Successful Respondent's Proposal will not necessarily be that with the lowest cost, but that which provides the greatest value to the City. Proposals which provide detailed breakdowns on the cost components will be viewed more favorably as they will help demonstrate a responsible spending of taxpayer dollars.

e. Project Plan and Timeline (30 points)

It is not the City's desire to engage in an unnecessarily extended process. Respondents should be assured that the City team members will give their respective projects top priority over all other existing efforts.

As a result, Proposals featuring aggressive but realistic time frames for completion will be viewed more favorably. The City will require an initial substantial deliverable within 2 months from the start of the project.

Additionally, Proposals should meet the following guidelines:

- Proposals should assure the City that they rely on proven methods as demonstrated by a successful track record of past engagements
- Project plans should be reflective of the City as a unique environment with a variety of stakeholders to be included
- Project plan should include clearly defined workflows

f. Commitment to diversity (5 points)

Support of, and utilization of Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprises (MBE/WBE) consistent with the City of Jersey City policies, should be described.

7.3 Written response evaluation - weighting

For each of the evaluation categories, the committee will determine the extent to which the requirements are fulfilled. This will be scored from 0 to 2, as follows:

- 0 No requirements met
- 1 Some or most requirements met
- 2 All requirements met or exceeded

Each criterion will be weighted by the extent to which the requirements are met and the resultant scores totaled.

For example, a Proposal containing no detailed project plan or timeline would be scored as:

$$30 \text{ points} \times (0/2) \text{ (No requirements met)} = 0 \text{ points}$$

A Proposal containing a partially acceptable project plan and timeline would be scored as:

$$30 \text{ points} \times (1/2) \text{ (some or more requirements met)} = 15 \text{ points}$$

A Proposal containing a detailed, aggressive project plan and timeline would be scored as:

$$30 \text{ points} \times (2/2) \text{ (all requirements met or exceeded)} = 30 \text{ points}$$

The highest possible score for written Proposals is 100 and each evaluator will rank the Proposals by total score.

7.4 Final evaluation and report of committee

The City will select the most advantageous Proposal based on the all of the evaluation factors set forth in this RFP, and make the award in the best interest of the City. The Respondent whose proposal is ranked highest among the greatest number of evaluators will be selected for the project. The maximum score for the written proposal will be 100 points. Each Proposal must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFP. The City will prepare a report listing all Respondents who submitted proposals, ranking them in order of evaluation, and recommending the selection of a Respondent, indicating the reasons why the Respondent was selected, and detailing the terms, conditions, scope of services, fees and other matters to be incorporated into the Contract.

7.5 Contract award

This contract will be awarded as a contract for consulting services under the Competitive Contracting Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq.

The Jersey City Municipal Council will vote to accept the Proposal of a Consultant within 60 days of the receipt of Proposals, except that the Proposals of any Proposals who consent thereto, may, at the request of the City, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

SECTION 8: GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following are general terms and conditions which may or may not be explained elsewhere in this RFP.

8.1 City's right to reject

The City reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals, if necessary, or to waive any informality in the Proposals, and, unless otherwise specified by the Respondent, to accept any item, items or services in the Proposal should it be deemed in the best interest of the City.

8.2 Original/Authorized signatures

Each Proposal and all required forms must be signed in ink by a person authorized to do so.

8.3 Delivery of Proposals

Proposals may be hand delivered or mailed consistent with the provisions of the legal notice to Respondents. In the case of mailed Proposals, the City assumes no responsibility for Proposals received after the designated date and time and will return late Proposals unopened. Proposals will not be accepted by facsimile or e-mail.

8.4 Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action requirements

Consultants are required to comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. No firm may be issued a contract unless it complies with these affirmative action provisions. The Mandatory Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action Language for Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts summarizes the full required regulatory text.

Goods and Services (including professional services) consultants/contractors shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

- a. A photo copy of a valid letter that the contractor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action programs (good for one year from the date of the letter); or
- b. A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4; or
- c. A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency to be completed by the contractor, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.

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The consultant's attention is also called to Section 9 of this document which contains the required information and forms. For information on EEO/AA requirements and forms only, please contact:

Jeana F. Abuan, Affirmative Action Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer
Department of Administration, Office of Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action
280 Grove Street Room-103
Jersey City NJ 07302
Tel. #201-547- 4533
Fax# 201-547-5088
E-mail Address: abuanJ@cnj.org

8.5 Business Registration Certificate

P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) amends and supplements the business registration provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 which impose certain requirements upon a business competing for or entering into a contract with a local contracting agency whose contracting activities are subject to the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.).

Consultants are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) which include submitting a copy of their Business Registration Certificate (BRC), issued by the NJ Department of the Treasury.

For more information on obtaining a BRC, see Section 10.

8.6 Clarification of RFP

Should any difference arise between the contracting parties as to the intent of this RFP, the City's Business Administrator's decision shall be final and conclusive.

8.7 Indemnification

The Respondent, if awarded the contract, agrees to protect, defend and save harmless the City against damage for payment for the use of any patented material process, article or devise that may enter into the manufacture, construction or form a part of the work covered by either order or contract, and further agrees to indemnify and save harmless the City from suits or actions of every nature and description brought against it for, or on account of, any injuries or damages received or sustained by any party or parties by, or from, any of the acts of the contractor, its servants or agents.

8.8 Insurance requirements

The consultant shall maintain sufficient insurance to protect against all claims under Workmen's Compensation, General and Automobile Liability, and shall be subject to approval for adequacy of protection. Certificates of such insurance shall be provided the City when required. Insurance requirements are as follows:

- a) Comprehensive General Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in aggregate; including Products & Completed Operations coverage.
- b) Workers Compensation with NJ statutory limits and Employer's Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000.
- c) Automobile Liability in the amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit.
- d) Professional Liability in the amount of \$2,000,000 per occurrence and in aggregate.
- e) Cyber Liability in the amount of \$2,000,000 per occurrence and in aggregate. Said policy shall include an endorsement whereby the Consultant indemnifies and holds harmless the City, its respective employees and all claims against any of them arising solely out of the negligent performance of professional service or caused by error, omission, or negligent act of the Consultant or any one employed by the Consultant

8.9 Termination

Should a dispute arise, and if, after a good faith effort at resolution, the dispute is not resolved, either party may terminate the contract by providing 30 days written notice to the other party, Regardless, the City reserves the right to cancel the contract at its convenience by providing 30 days written notice to the consultant.

CITY OF JERSEY CITY, NJ
DEPARTMENT: Office of Innovation
PURPOSE: Permitting/Licensing Consultant

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
DIVISION: Office of Innovation
DUE DATE: 12/17/15

SECTION 9: REQUIRED ADMINISTRATIVE FORMS

Please place the checklist and the required forms which follow at the front of your Proposal to facilitate Purchasing’s review.

RESPONDENT’S CHECKLIST

Item	Respondent Initials	Purchasing Review
A. Acknowledgment of Receipt of Addenda *		
B. Non-Collusion Affidavit properly notarized		
C. Public Disclosure Statement *		
D. Mandatory Affirmative Action Language		
E. Affirmative Action Compliance Notice		
F. Employee Information Report		
G. Americans with Disabilities Act		
H. MWBE Questionnaire		
I. Business Registration Certificate		
J. Original signature(s) on all required forms.		
K. Contractor Pay To Play Reform Acknowledgement		

*Failure to include these documents with Proposal will result in an automatic rejection of the Proposal

CITY OF JERSEY CITY

PROJECT: CONSULTING SERVICES TO EVALUATE THE BUSINESS LICENSING AND PERMITTING PROCESS

The undersigned is (an individual)
(a corporation) under the laws
(a partnership)

of the State of _____ having offices

at _____ and submits this Proposal in
response to the City's RFP.

Signed: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

ADDENDUM ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the following addenda to the bidding document:

THE COMPLETED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA FORM SHOULD BE RETURNED WITH BID RESPONSE PACKAGE: NOT TO BE SENT SEPARATELY

NOTE: Failure to acknowledge receipt of all addenda will cause the bid to be considered non-responsive. Acknowledged receipt of each addendum must be clearly established and included with the bid pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.2 (e).

Addendum No. _____ Dated _____

Addendum No. _____ Dated _____

Addendum No. _____ Dated _____

Name of Bidder: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Date: _____

NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CITY OF JERSEY CITY ss:

I certify that I am _____

of the firm of _____

the bidder making the proposal for the above named project, and that I executed the said proposal with full authority so to do; that said bidder has not, directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above named project; and that all statements contained in said proposal and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the City of Jersey City relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said project.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by (N.J.S.A. 52: 34-25)

(Signature of respondent) _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO
BEFORE ME THIS DAY _____ OF 20 _____

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)

NOTARY PUBLIC OF
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20 .

(NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED WITH THIS PROPOSAL).

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 provides that no Corporation or Partnership shall be awarded any State, City, Municipal or Schools District contracts for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any materials or supplies, unless prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid of said corporation or partnership there is submitted a public disclosure information statement. The statement shall set forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who own ten percent (10%) or more of its stock of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a ten percent (10%) or greater interest therein.

If one or more such stockholder or partner is itself a corporation or partnership, the stockholders holding 10% or more of that corporation's stock, or the individual partners owning 10% or greater interest in that partnership, as the case may be, shall also be listed. The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, exceeding the 10% ownership criteria has been listed.

STOCKHOLDERS:

Name	Address	% owned

SIGNATURE : _____

TITLE: _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO
BEFORE ME THIS DAY _____ OF 20_____

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)

NOTARY PUBLIC OF
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20____

(NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED WITH THIS PROPOSAL).

EEO/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts

Questions in reference to EEO/AA Requirements For Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts should be directed to:

Jeana F. Abuan
Affirmative Action Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer
Department of Administration
Office of Equal Opportunity/Affirmative action
280 Grove Street Room-103
Jersey City NJ 07302
Tel. #201-547- 4533
Fax# 201-547-5088
E-mail Address: abuanJ@jcnj.org

(REVISED 4/13)

EXHIBIT A
MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE
N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127)
N.J.A.C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

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

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity 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 contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor will send to each labor union, with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union of the contractor's commitments under this chapter and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to meet targeted county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

EXHIBIT A (Continuation)

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, and labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the targeted employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval

Certificate of Employee Information Report

Employee Information Report Form AA302 (electronically provided by the Division and distributed to the public agency through the Division's website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance)

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Division of Purchase & Property, CCAU, EEO Monitoring Program for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to **Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27.**

The undersigned vendor certifies on their company's receipt, knowledge and commitment to comply with:

EXHIBIT A
N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27
MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE
Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts
(Mandatory Affirmative Action Language)

The undersigned vendor further agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence and

understands that their contract/company's bid shall be rejected as non-responsive if said contractor fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 .

Representative's Name/Title (Print): _____

Representative's Signature: _____

Name of Company: _____

Tel. No.: _____

Date: _____

Sample Letter of Federally Approved Affirmative Action Plan

U.S. Department of Labor

Employment Standards Administration
Office of Federal Contract
Compliance Program



Newark Area Office
134 Evergreen Place, Fourth Floor
East Orange, NJ 07018

February 27, 19__

Reply to the attention of:

President

Dear

Our recent compliance review of your establishment's equal employment opportunity policies and practices was completed on February 27, 19__.

We found no apparent deficiencies or violations of Executive Order 11246, as amended. Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or of 38 USC 2012 (the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act). Accordingly, your establishment is deemed to be in compliance with these laws based on the material reviewed.

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Progress sincerely appreciated the cooperation and courtesies extended by you and your staff during the conduct of the compliance review.

Sincerely,

Area Office Director



State of New Jersey

CHRIS CHRISTIE
Governor
KIM GUADAGNO
Lt. Governor

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF PURCHASE & PROPERTY
CONTRACT COMPLIANCE AUDIT UNIT
EEO MONITORING PROGRAM
P.O. BOX 206
TRENTON, NJ 08625-0206

ANDREW P. SIDAMON-ERISTOFF
State Treasurer

ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

Enclosed is your Certificate of Employee information Report (hereinafter referred to as the "Certificate" and issued based on the Employee Information Report (AA-302) form completed by a representative of your company or firm. Immediately upon receipt, this certificate should be forwarded to the person in your company or firm responsible for ensuring equal employment opportunity and/or overseeing the company or firm's contracts with public agencies. Typically, this person may be your company or firm's Human Resources Manager, Equal Employment Opportunity Officer or Contract Administrator. If you do not know to whom the certificate should be forward, kindly forward it to the head of your company or firm. Copies of the certificate should also be distributed to all facilities of your company or firm who engage in bidding on public contracts in New Jersey and who use the same federal identification number and company name. The certificate should be retained in your records until the date it expires. This is very important since a request for a duplicate/replacement certificate will result in a \$75.00 fee.

On future successful bids on public contracts, your company or firm must present a photocopy of the certificate to the public agency awarding the contract after notification of the award but prior to execution of a goods and services or professional services contract. Failure to present the certificate within the time limits prescribed may result in the awarded contract being rescinded in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-4.3b.

Please be advised that this certificate has been approved only for the time periods stated on the certificate. As early as ninety (90) days prior to its expiration, the Division will forward a renewal notification. Upon the Division's receipt of a properly completed renewal application and \$150.00 application fee, it will issue a renewal certificate. In addition, representatives from the Division may conduct periodic visits and/or request additional information to monitor and evaluate the continued equal employment opportunity compliance of your company or firm. Moreover, the Division may provide your company or firm with technical assistance, as required. Please be sure to notify the Division immediately if your company's federal identification number, name or address changes.

If you have any questions, please call (609) 292-5473 and a representative will be available to assist you.

Enclosure(s) (AA-01 Rev. 11/11)

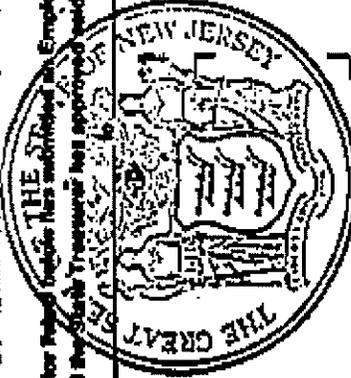
Sample Certificate of Employee Information Report

VOID

Certification _____

CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

This is to certify that the contractor listed includes has submitted an Employee Information Report pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.3 et seq. and the State Treasurer has approved said report. This approval will remain in effect for the period of _____.



State Treasurer

VOID

Sample Employee Information Report Form AA302

Form AA302
Rev. 11/11

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Division of Purchase & Property
Contract Compliance Audit Unit
EEO Monitoring Program

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

IMPORTANT-READ INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING FORM. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE. DO NOT SUBMIT LEO-1 REPORT FOR SECTION B, ITEM 11. For Instructions on completing the form, go to: <http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract/compliance/pdf/aa302r11v.pdf>

SECTION A - COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1. FID. NO. OR SOCIAL SECURITY _____ 2. TYPE OF BUSINESS
 1. MFG 2. SERVICE 3. WHOLESALE
 4. RETAIL 5. OTHER _____ 3. TOTAL NO. EMPLOYEES IN THE ENTIRE COMPANY _____

4. COMPANY NAME _____

5. STREET _____ CITY _____ COUNTY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

6. NAME OF PARENT OR AFFILIATED COMPANY (IF NONE, SO INDICATED) _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

7. CHECK ONE IF THE COMPANY: SINGLE-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER MULTI-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER

8. IF MULTI-ESTABLISHMENT EMPLOYER, STATE THE NUMBER OF ESTABLISHMENTS IN NJ _____

9. TOTAL NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES AT ESTABLISHMENT WHICH HAS BEEN AWARDED THE CONTRACT _____

10. PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDED CONTRACT _____
 CITY _____ COUNTY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

Official Use Only

DATE RECEIVED _____ NAUG. DATE _____ ASSIGNED CERTIFICATION NUMBER _____

SECTION B - EMPLOYMENT DATA

11. Report all permanent, temporary and part-time employees ON YOUR OWN PAYROLL. Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. Where there are no employees in a particular category, enter a zero. Include ALL employees, not just those in minority/non-minority categories, in columns 1, 2, & 3. **DO NOT SUBMIT AN LEO-1 REPORT.**

JOB CATEGORIES	ALL EMPLOYEES			PERMANENT MINORITY/NON-MINORITY EMPLOYEE BREAKDOWN									
	COL. 1 TOTAL (Cols. 2 & 3)	COL. 2 MALE	COL. 3 FEMALE	MALE					FEMALE				
				BLACK	HISPANIC	AMER. INDIAN	ASIAN	NON MIN.	BLACK	HISPANIC	AMER. INDIAN	ASIAN	NON MIN.
Officials/ Managers													
Professionals													
Technicians													
Sales Workers													
Office & Clerical													
Craftworkers (Skilled)													
Operatives (Semi-skilled)													
Laborers (Unskilled)													
Service Workers													
TOTAL													
Total employment From previous Report (if any)													
Temporary & Part-Time Employees	The data below shall NOT be included in the figures for the appropriate categories above.												

12. HOW WAS INFORMATION AS TO RACE OR ETHNIC GROUP IN SECTION B OBTAINED?
 1. Visual Survey 2. Employment Record 3. Other (Specify) _____

13. DATES OF PAYROLL PERIOD USED
 From: _____ To: _____

14. IS THIS THE FIRST Employee Information Report Submitted?
 1. YES 2. NO

15. IF NO, DATE LAST REPORT SUBMITTED
 MO. DAY YEAR

SECTION C - SIGNATURE AND IDENTIFICATION

16. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type) _____ SIGNATURE _____ TITLE _____ DATE MO. DAY YEAR _____

17. ADDRESS NO. & STREET _____ CITY _____ COUNTY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____ PHONE (AREA CODE NO. EXTENSION) _____

Sample Employee Information Report Form AA302

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302)

IMPORTANT: READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM **AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 NON-REFUNDABLE FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE**. IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT, DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM UNLESS YOU ARE RENEWING A CERTIFICATE THAT IS DUE FOR EXPIRATION. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDS.

ITEM 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

ITEM 2 - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail"

ITEM 3 - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

ITEM 4 - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominate one.

ITEM 5 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 6 - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

ITEM 7 - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

ITEM 8 - If "Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

ITEM 9 - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

ITEM 10 - Enter the name of the Public Agency awarding the contract. Include City, County, State and Zip Code. This is not applicable if you are renewing a current Certificate.

ITEM 11 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category. DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Phillipine Islands and Samoa.

Non-Minority: Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

ITEM 12 - Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

ITEM 13 - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

ITEM 14 - If this is the first time an Employee Information Report has been submitted for this company, check block "Yes".

ITEM 15 - If the answer to item 15 is "No", enter the date when the last Employee Information Report was submitted by this company.

ITEM 16 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 17 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN

THE VENDOR IS TO COMPLETE THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT FORM (AA302) AND RETAIN A COPY FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES. THE VENDOR SHOULD ALSO SUBMIT A COPY TO THE PUBLIC AGENCY AWARDING THE CONTRACT IF THIS IS YOUR FIRST REPORT; AND FORWARD ONE COPY WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00 PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE), TO:

NJ Department of the Treasury
Division of Purchase & Property
Contract Compliance Audit Unit
EEO Monitoring Program
P.O. Box 206

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0206

Telephone No. (609) 292-5473

Sample Duplicate Certificate of Employee Information Report Request

Form Duplicate Cert.
Rev. 11/11

Print Form



**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Division of Purchase & Property, Contract Compliance Audit Unit
EEO Monitoring Program**

DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT REQUEST

IMPORTANT- FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$75.00 FEE (Non-Refundable) MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT.

SECTION A - COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1. FID. NO. OR SOCIAL SECURITY	2. ASSIGNED CERTIFICATION NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	EXPIRATION DATE
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

3. COMPANY NAME

4. STREET CITY COUNTY STATE ZIP CODE

5. REASON FOR REQUEST OF DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE
 1. Lost Certificate 2. Damaged 3. Other (Specify)

SECTION B - SIGNATURE AND IDENTIFICATION

6. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type)	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE MO DAY YEAR

7. ADDRESS NO. & STREET CITY COUNTY STATE ZIP CODE PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION)

I certify that the information on this Form is true and correct.

SECTION C - OFFICIAL USE ONLY

RECEIVED DATE:	DIVISION OF REVENUE DLN #:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE REQUEST

- ITEM 1** - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.
- ITEM 2** - Enter the Certificate Number that was assigned to your company along with the Issue Date and Expiration Date (if available).
- ITEM 3** - Enter the name by which the company is identified.
- ITEM 4** - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.
- ITEM 5** - Enter the reason for requesting a Duplicate Certificate of Employee Information Report.
- ITEM 6** - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.
- ITEM 7** - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

RETAIN A COPY OF THIS REQUEST FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES AND FORWARD ONE COPY WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75.00 (Non-Refundable Fee) PAYABLE TO "THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY" TO:

**NJ Department of the Treasury
Division of Purchase & Property
Contract Compliance Audit Unit
EEO Monitoring Program
PO Box 206**

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0206 Telephone No. (609) 292-5473

PLEASE ALLOW 15 BUSINESS DAYS FOR PROCESSING THE DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE

**RENEWAL PACKAGE
FOR CERTIFICATE OF
EMPLOYEE
INFORMATION REPORT**



State of New Jersey

CHRIS CHRISTIE
Governor
KIM GUADAGNO
Lt. Governor

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF PUBLIC CONTRACTS
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMPLIANCE
P.O. BOX 209
TRENTON, NJ 08625-0209

ANDREW P. SIDAMON-ERISTOFF
State Treasurer

RENEWAL NOTICE

The Certificate of Employee Information Report (hereinafter referred to as the "State Certificate") issued by this Division is due to expire within the next 90 days. In order for your firm to continue to provide a current State Certificate for public contract awards, you must apply for renewal by properly completing the following renewal documents:

1. The Employee Information Report Form AA-302 for the facility indicated on the "State Certificate" and any additional New Jersey facilities, with a check in the amount of \$150.00 payable to "the Treasurer, State of New Jersey" (fee is non-refundable) and
2. The Vendor Activity Summary Report forms, one for each of the four (4) personnel activities noted (new hires, promotions, transfers and terminations etc.) for the previous "State Certificate" period, or
3. If you are operating under a federally approved affirmative action plan, a photocopy of the letter of Federal Approval issued by the US Department of Labor, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, not greater than one year old, may be submitted to the awarding agency in lieu of the State Certificate. Please do not submit an EEO-1 Report as it will not be accepted.

All goods, service and professional service vendors are encouraged to complete and file these renewal documents electronically by accessing the Division's website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance. This website provides access to the Forms in electronic format or on-line internet submission registration via the internet. Or you may call the Division at (609) 292-5473 and a representative will be available to assist you. Please have your certificate number ready when calling. Your certificate number is noted at the end of your company name on your mailing label.

Upon receipt of the above-referenced documents, the Division will approve or reject your application within sixty (60) days of submission. If your application is approved, the Division will issue a Certificate provided your firm meets the standards of good faith compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations set forth in N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq. Periodic reviews may be conducted and additional information may be requested, as required by the Division. In all instances, however, a copy of the Certificate must be presented to the public agency awarding the contract, prior to the award of the contract.

(AA-02 Rev. Mar-10)

**NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE
EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302) RENEWAL
DISREGARD INSTRUCTIONS ON PRE-PRINTED FORM REV. 1/00**

IMPORTANT: READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDS.

ITEM 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

ITEM 2 - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".

ITEM 3 - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

ITEM 4 - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominate one.

ITEM 5 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 6 - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

ITEM 7 - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

ITEM 8 - If "Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

ITEM 9 - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

ITEM 10 - Not Applicable.

ITEM 11 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category. DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

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Non-Minority: Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

ITEM 12 - Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

ITEM 13 - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

ITEM 14 - Not Applicable.

ITEM 15 - Not Applicable.

ITEM 16 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 17 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN

THE VENDOR IS TO COMPLETE THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT RENEWAL FORM (AA302) AND RETAIN THE PINK COPY FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES. FORWARD THE REMAINING TWO (2) WHITE AND CANARY COPIES WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00 PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

NJ Department of the Treasury
Division of Public Contracts
Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance
P.O. Box 206

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0206

Telephone No. (609) 292-5473



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance

DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT REQUEST

IMPORTANT- FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$75.00 FEE (Non-Refundable) MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT.

SECTION A - COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1. FID. NO. OR SOCIAL SECURITY	2. ASSIGNED CERTIFICATION NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	EXPIRATION DATE

3. COMPANY NAME

4. STREET	CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE
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5. REASON FOR REQUEST OF DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE

1. Lost Certificate 2. Damaged 3. Other (Specify)

SECTION B - SIGNATURE AND IDENTIFICATION

6. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type)	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE MO DAY YEAR
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7. ADDRESS NO. & STREET	CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE	PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION)
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I certify that the information on this Form is true and correct.

SECTION C - OFFICIAL USE ONLY

RECEIVED DATE:	DIVISION OF REVENUE DLN #:
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE REQUEST

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ITEM 2 - Enter the Certificate Number that was assigned to your company along with the Issue Date and Expiration Date (if available).

ITEM 3 - Enter the name by which the company is identified.

ITEM 4 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 5 - Enter the reason for requesting a Duplicate Certificate of Employee Information Report.

ITEM 6 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 7 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

RETAIN A COPY OF THIS REQUEST FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES AND FORWARD ONE COPY WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75.00 (Non-Refundable Fee) PAYABLE TO "THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY" TO:

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PLEASE ALLOW 15 BUSINESS DAYS FOR PROCESSING THE DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE

INSTRUCTIONS

VENDOR ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORTS

1. You should complete 4 blank Vendor Activity Summary Reports with your AA-302, Employee Information Report Renewal Application package. These 4 Reports are to be completed for new hires, promotions, transfers and terminations that took place between the time you received your Certificate of Employee Information Report (hereafter referred to as "Certificate") and the date of your Renewal Application.
2. The Vendor Activity Summary Reports must be completed to show your firm's total personnel actions for the previous Certificate period. For example, if your firm renews its Certificate every 3 years, one of the reports should indicate the total number of people hired during the entire 3-year period during which you held the Certificate. Another report should indicate the total number of people terminated during that 3-year period. The third report should indicate the total number of people transferred during that 3-year period and the final report should indicate the total number of people promoted during that 3-year period. Please note, there is no need to re-state the information provided on the AA-302 form.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
 Division of Contract Compliance & Equal Employment Opportunity
 VENDOR ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT

CERTIFICATE NO. _____
 NAME OF FACILITY: _____
 DATES OF PAYROLL PERIOD USED: FROM _____ TO _____

Street _____ City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

JOB CATEGORIES	MALE					FEMALE					
	Total	Black	Hispanic	AM Indian	Asian	Total	Black	Hispanic	AM Indian	Asian	Non-Min.
OFFICIALS & MANAGERS											
PROFESSIONALS											
TECHNICIANS											
SALES WORKERS											
OFFICE & CLERICAL											
CRAFTWORKERS											
OPERATIVES											
LABORERS											
SERVICE WORKERS											
TOTAL											

I certify that the information on this form is true and correct.
 NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type) _____ SIGNATURE _____
 LAST FIRST MI DATE SUBMITTED _____

ADDRESS (NO. & STREET) _____ (CITY) _____ (STATE) _____ (ZIP) _____
 PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION) _____

APPENDIX A
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability

The contractor and the _____ of _____, (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (*42 U.S.C. 5121 01 et seq.*), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the *owner shall* expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

Representative's Name/Title Print: _____

Representative's Signature: _____

Name of Company: _____

Tel. No.: _____

Date: _____

**Minority/Woman Business Enterprise (MWBE)
Questionnaire for Bidders**

Jersey City Ordinance C-829 establishes a goal of awarding 20% of the dollar amount of total city procurement to minority and woman owned business enterprises.

To assist us in monitoring our achievement of this goal, please indicate below whether your company is or is not a minority owned and/or woman owned business, and return this form with your bid proposal.

Business Name : _____

Address : _____

Telephone No. : _____

Contact Name : _____

Please check applicable category :

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_____ Minority & Woman Owned
Business (MWBE)

_____ Woman Owned business (WBE)

_____ Neither

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DIVISION OF PURCHASING COPY

“New Jersey Business Registration Requirements” For Goods, Professional Service and General Service Contracts

The contractor shall provide written notice to its subcontractors of the responsibility to submit proof of business registration to the contractor.

Before final payment on the contract is made by the contracting agency, the contractor shall submit an accurate list and the proof of business registration of each subcontractor or supplier used in the fulfillment of the contract, or shall attest that no subcontractors were used.

For the term of the contract, the contractor and each of its affiliates and a subcontractor and each of its affiliates [N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(g)(3)] shall collect and remit to the Director, New Jersey Division of Taxation, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into this State, regardless of whether the tangible personal property is intended for a contract with a contracting agency.

A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2001, c.134 (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92), or that provides false business registration information under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency.”

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
FOR STATE AGENCY AND GAMING SERVICE CONTRACTORS**

TAXPAYER NAME: TAX REGISTRATION TEST ACCOUNT	TRADE NAME: CLIENT REGISTRATION
TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 97-047-882800	SEQUENCE NUMBER: 88872
ADDRESS: 1500 N. 3RD ST TRENTON, NJ 08611	ISSUANCE DATE: 02/14/04

Jed S. Early

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE**

Taxpayer Name:	TAX REG TEST ACCOUNT
Trade Name:	
Address:	247 ROBINSON AVE TRENTON, NJ 08611
Certificate Number:	1053907
Date of Issuance:	October 14, 2004
For Office Use Only:	20041014112023623

**CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE CITY OF JERSEY CITY
CONTRACTOR PAY-TO-PLAY REFORM ORDINANCE 08-128 ADOPTED
ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2008**

PART I - Vendor Affirmation

The undersigned, being authorized and knowledgeable of the circumstances, does hereby certify that _____ (name of business entity) has not made any reportable contributions in the **one-year period preceding _____ (date City Council awards contract) that would be deemed to be violations of Section One of the City of Jersey City's Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform Ordinance 08-128 (attached hereto) and that would bar the award of this contract. I further certify that during the term of the contract _____ (name of business entity) will not make any reportable contributions in violation of Ordinance 08-128.

PART II - Signature and Attestation:

The undersigned is fully aware that if I have misrepresented in whole or part this affirmation and certification, I and/or the business entity, will be liable for any penalty permitted under law.

Name of Business Entity: _____

Signed _____ Title: _____

Print Name _____ Date: _____

Subscribed and sworn before me
this ____ day of _____, 2____. _____ (Affiant)

My Commission expires: _____
(Print name & title of affiant) (Corporate Seal)

**Pursuant to Section 2 of Ordinance 08-128, no contributions or solicitation of contributions made prior to the effective date Ordinance 08-128 (September 23, 2008) shall be deemed to be a violation of the Ordinance.

City Clerk File No. Ord. 08-128

Agenda No. INITIATIVE PETITION 1st Reading

Agenda No. 4.A. 2nd Reading & Final Passage



ORDINANCE OF JERSEY CITY, N.J.

COUNCIL AS A WHOLE
offered and moved adoption of the following ordinance:

CITY ORDINANCE **08-128**

TITLE:

An ordinance establishing that a Business Entity which makes political contributions to municipal candidates and municipal and county political parties in excess of certain thresholds shall be limited in its ability to receive public contracts from the City of Jersey City (CONTRACTOR PAY-TO-PLAY REFORM ORDINANCE)

The Municipal Council of the City of Jersey City does hereby ordain:

WHEREAS, large political contributions from those seeking or performing contracts with a municipality raise reasonable concerns on the part of taxpayers and residents as to their trust in government and its business practices; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, a municipality is authorized to adopt such ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws as necessary and proper for good government, as well as the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L.2005, c.271 (codified at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-51) a municipality is authorized to adopt by ordinance, measures limiting the awarding of public contracts to business entities that have made political contributions, and limiting the contributions that the recipient of such a contract can make during the term of a contract; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of good government, the people and the government of the City of Jersey City desire to establish a policy that will avoid the perception of improper influence in public contracting and local elections;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, it shall be the policy of the City of Jersey City to create such a regulation which states that a Business Entity which makes political contributions to municipal candidates and municipal and county political parties in excess of certain thresholds shall be limited in its ability to receive public contracts from the City of Jersey City; and

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Jersey City, in the County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

DEFINITIONS

As used in this ordinance:

- (a) "Campaign Committee" means (i) every candidate for City of Jersey City elective municipal office; (ii) every candidate committee established by or for the benefit of a candidate for City of Jersey City elective municipal office; (iii) every joint candidate committee established in whole or in part by or for the benefit of a candidate for City of Jersey City elective municipal office; (iv) every political party committee of the City of Jersey City; (v) every political party committee of the County of Hudson; and (vi) every political committee, continuing political committee, or other form of association or organization that regularly engages in the support of candidates for the City of Jersey City municipal or Hudson county elective offices or City of Jersey City municipal or Hudson county political parties or political party committees. The terms in the foregoing paragraph have the meaning prescribed in N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7,

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- (b) "Contribution" has the meaning prescribed in N.J.A.C. 19:25-1.7. By way of illustration, and not limitation, this definition includes pledges, loans, and in-kind contributions.
- (c) A "contract for professional or extraordinary services" means all contracts for "professional services" and "extraordinary unspecifiable services" as such term is used in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5
- (d) For purposes of this Ordinance, a "Business Entity" whose contributions are regulated by this ordinance means: (i) an individual including the individual's spouse, and any child/children; (ii) a firm; corporation; professional corporation; partnership; limited liability company; organization; association; and any other manner and kind of business entity; (iii) any person who owns 10% or more of the equity or ownership or income interests in a person or entity as defined in sections (i) and (ii) above and their spouses and child/children; (iv) all partners or officers of such an entity, in the aggregate, and their spouses and child/children; (v) any person, subcontractor, subsidiary, corporation, firm, partnership, limited liability company, organization or association who has received or indefeasibly acquired the right to receive, from a person described in subparagraph (i) above, more than \$100,000.00 in compensation or income of any kind (including, by way of illustration, and not limitation: wages, salaries, sums paid to independent contractors, benefits, dividends, profit-sharing, pension contributions, deferred contributions, stock, stock options or gifts), in any twelve (12) month period prior to the award of, or during the term of, a contract subject to this ordinance; and (vi) all persons who are an "affiliate" of a Business Entity as defined in sections (i), (ii) and (v) above, as such term is used in 11 U.S.C. 101(2).

SECTION 1 - PROHIBITION ON AWARDING PUBLIC CONTRACTS TO CERTAIN CONTRIBUTORS

- (e) To the extent that it is not inconsistent with state or federal law, the City of Jersey City and any of its departments, instrumentalities or purchasing agents shall not enter into any agreement or otherwise contract to procure "professional services" as such term is defined at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6) and used at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i) and/or banking, insurance or other consulting service (hereinafter "Professional Services"), nor "extraordinary unspecified services" as such term is defined at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(7) and used at N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and/or media, public relations, lobbying, parking garage management or other consulting and/or management service (hereinafter "Extraordinary Unspecified Services") from any Business Entity if such Business Entity has solicited or made any Contribution to (i) a candidate, candidate committee or joint candidates committee of any candidate for elective municipal office in Jersey City or a holder of public office having ultimate responsibility for the award of a contract, or (ii) to any Jersey City or Hudson County political committee or political party committee, or (iii) to any continuing political committee or political action committee that regularly engages in the support of Jersey City municipal or Hudson County elections and/or Jersey City municipal or Hudson County candidates, candidate committees, joint candidate committees, political committees, political parties, political party committees, (hereinafter "PAC"), in excess of the thresholds specified in subsection (c) within one calendar year immediately preceding the date of the contract or agreement.
- (f) No Business Entity who submits a proposal for, enters into negotiations for, or agrees to any contract or agreement with the City of Jersey City or any of its departments or instrumentalities, for the rendition of Professional Services or Extraordinary Unspecified Services shall knowingly solicit or make any Contribution, to (i) a candidate, candidate committee or joint candidates committee of any candidate for elective municipal office in Jersey City, or a holder of public office having ultimate responsibility for the award of a contract, or (ii) to any Jersey City or Hudson County political committee or political party committee, or (iii) any PAC between the time of first communication between that Business Entity and the municipality regarding a specific agreement for Professional Services or Extraordinary Unspecified Services, and the later of the termination of negotiations or rejection of any proposal, or the completion of the performance or specified time period of that contract or agreement.
- (g) The monetary thresholds of this Ordinance are: (i) a maximum of \$300 per calendar year each for any purpose to any candidate or candidate committee for mayor or governing body, or \$500 per calendar year to any joint candidates committee for mayor or governing body, or \$300 per calendar year to a political committee or political party committee of the City of Jersey City; (ii) \$500 maximum per calendar year to a Hudson County political committee or political party committee; and (iii) \$500 maximum per calendar year to any PAC. However, for each Business Entity party to a contract for Professional or Extraordinary Unspecified Services as defined in subparagraph (a), or engaged in negotiations for a contract defined in subparagraph (a), when such Business Entity's Contribution is aggregated with all "persons" defined in subparagraph (d)

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of "Definitions" above, by virtue of their affiliation to that Business Entity party, a maximum of \$2,500 to all City of Jersey City candidates, candidate committees, joint candidate committees, and holders of public office having ultimate responsibility for the award of a contract, all City of Jersey City or Hudson County political committees and political party committees as described herein combined, without violating subsection (a) of this section.

- (h) For purposes of this section, the office that is considered to have ultimate responsibility for the award of the contract shall be (i) the City of Jersey City Mayor or Governing body, if the contract requires approval or appropriation from the Mayor or Governing body, or (ii) the Mayor of the City of Jersey City, if the contract requires approval of the Mayor, or if a public officer who is responsible for the award of a contract is appointed by the Mayor.
- (i) Rules regarding subcontractors. No person may be awarded a subcontract to perform under a contract subject to this Ordinance, if the subcontractor would be disqualified by paragraph (a) from receiving the contract at the time that the subcontract is awarded. Nor may any person who would be disqualified by paragraph (a) from receiving the contract perform substantially all of obligations described in a contract for professional or extraordinary services that is subject to this ordinance.

SECTION 2 - CONTRIBUTIONS MADE PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE

No Contribution or solicitation of contributions made prior to the effective date of this Ordinance shall be deemed to give rise to a violation of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3 - CONTRACT RENEWAL

No contract subject to this ordinance may be renewed, extended, or materially modified unless the resulting renewal, extension, or modification would be allowable under the provisions of this ordinance if it were an initial contract.

SECTION 4 - CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT BY BUSINESS ENTITY

- (j) Prior to awarding any contract or agreement to procure Professional Services" or Extraordinary Unspecified Services" from any Business Entity, the City of Jersey City or its purchasing agents and departments, as the case may be, shall receive a sworn statement from said Business Entity which is the intended recipient of said contract that he/she/it has not made a Contribution in violation of Section 1 of this Ordinance. The City of Jersey City, its purchasing agents and departments shall be responsible for informing the City Council that the aforementioned sworn statement has been received and that the Business Entity is not in violation of this ordinance, prior to awarding the contract or agreement.
- (k) A Business Entity shall have a continuing duty to report to the City of Jersey City any Contributions that constitute a violation of this act that are made during the negotiation, proposal process or the duration of a contract. The City of Jersey City, its purchasing agents and departments shall be responsible for informing the governing body within ten (10) business days after receipt of said report from the Business Entity, or at the next City Council meeting following receipt of said report from the Business Entity, or whichever comes first.
- (l) The certification required under this subsection shall be made prior to entry into the contract or agreement with the City of Jersey City, or prior to the provision of services or goods, as the case may be, and shall be in addition to any other certifications that may be required by any other provision of law.

SECTION 5 - RETURN OF EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS

A Business Entity that is a party to a contract for Professional Services or Extraordinary Unspecified Services may cure a violation of Section 1 of this Ordinance, if, within 30 days after the date on which the applicable ELEC report is published, said Business Entity notifies the municipality in writing and seeks and receives reimbursement of the Contribution from the recipient of such Contribution.

SECTION 6 - EXEMPTIONS

The contribution limitations prior to entering into a contract in Section 1(a) do not apply to contracts which (i) are awarded to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefor within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4, or (ii) are awarded in the case of emergency under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6. There is no exemption for contracts awarded pursuant to a "Fair and Open Process" under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20 *et seq.*

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SECTION 7 - PENALTY

- (m) It shall be a material breach of the terms of a City of Jersey City agreement or contract for Professional Services or Extraordinary Unspecified Services when a Business Entity that is a party to such agreement or contract has: (i) made or solicited a Contribution in violation of this Ordinance; (ii) knowingly concealed or misrepresented a Contribution given or received; (iii) made or solicited Contributions through intermediaries for the purpose of concealing or misrepresenting the source of the Contribution; (iv) made or solicited any Contribution on the condition or with the agreement that it will be re-contributed to a candidate, candidate committee or joint candidates committee of any candidate for elective municipal office in Jersey City, or a holder of public office having ultimate responsibility for the award of a contract, or any Jersey City or Hudson County political committee or political party committee, or any PAC; (v) engaged or employed a lobbyist or consultant with the intent or understanding that such lobbyist or consultant would make or solicit any Contribution, which if made or solicited by the professional Business Entity itself, would subject that entity to the restrictions of this Ordinance; (vi) funded contributions made by third parties, including consultants, attorneys, family members, and employees; (vii) engaged in any exchange of Contributions to circumvent the intent of this Ordinance; or (viii) directly or indirectly, through or by any other person or means, done any act which if done directly would subject that entity to the restrictions of this Ordinance.
- (n) Furthermore, any Business Entity that violates Section 7 (a) (i-viii) shall be disqualified from eligibility for future City of Jersey City contracts for a period of four (4) calendar years from the date of the violation.
- (o) Any person who knowingly, purposely, or recklessly violates any provision of this ordinance, or who conspires with another person to violate any provision of this ordinance, or who, with the purpose of promoting or facilitating a violation of this ordinance, solicits another person to commit it, or aids or agrees, or attempts to aid another person in planning or committing it, shall be subject to punishment including fines and/or imprisonment as fixed by law for violations of the ordinances of the City of Jersey City.

SECTION 8 - CITIZENS PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION

In addition to any rights that were heretofore available, or which may hereafter be available, to citizens, taxpayers, or associations, to challenge violations of this ordinance, every person aggrieved by a violation of the ordinance, or any taxpayer or resident of the City of Jersey City has the right, consistent with the Rules of Court, to file charges in a court of competent jurisdiction, and/or to pursue a civil action for a violation of this ordinance in a court of competent jurisdiction, and to seek and obtain declaratory, injunctive, or other legal or equitable relief, including but not limited to, attorneys fees and costs, arising from or related to a violation of this ordinance.

SECTION 9 - SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance, or the application of any such provision to any person or circumstances, shall be held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance to the extent it can be given effect, or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby, and to this extent the provisions of this Ordinance are severable. The drafters of this Ordinance, the persons signing the petition in support of this Ordinance, and the persons who cast votes in favor of the Ordinance, declare that they would have supported the Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision or application thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more other sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or provisions or applications thereof may be held invalid.

COMMITTEE OF PETITIONERS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-186

James Carroll, 44 Terrace, Jersey City, New Jersey 07307
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Shelly Skinner, 286 Pavonia, Jersey City, N.J. 07302

SECTION 10 - REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to the extent of such inconsistencies.

An ordinance establishing that a Business Entity which makes political contributions to municipal candidates and municipal and county political parties in excess of certain thresholds shall be limited in its ability to receive public contracts from the City of Jersey City (CONTRACTOR PAY-TO-PLAY REFORM ORDINANCE)

SECTION 11 - INDEXING

The monetary thresholds of "Definitions" Section (d) and Section 1(c) of this ordinance shall be increased effective March 1 of each calendar year by the percentage increase, in the prior calendar year, of the consumer price index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) for the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island region, rounded to the nearest \$10.00. The Clerk of the City of Jersey City shall, by no later than April 1 of each calendar year, prepare and publish the revised thresholds on the official municipal website and in an official municipal newspaper.

SECTION 12 - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days following the final adoption thereof by the Municipal Council of the City of Jersey City and shall be published as required by law.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

APPROVED: _____

Corporation Counsel

APPROVED: _____
Business Administrator

Certification Required

Not Required

Ordinance of the City of Jersey City, N.J.

ORDINANCE NO. Ord. 08-128

TITLE: 4.A. An ordinance establishing a Business Entity which makes political contributions to municipal candidates and municipal and county political parties in excess of certain thresholds shall be limited to its ability to receive public contracts from the City of Jersey City (Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform Ordinance)



INITIATED BY PETITION CERTIFIED AUGUST 20, 2008

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON INTRODUCTION											
											N/A
COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.
SOTTOLANO				GAUGHAN				BRENNAN			
SPINELLO				FULOP				FLOOD			
LIPSKI				RICHARDSON				VEGA, PRES.			

✓ Indicates Vote

JAMES F. WADDLETON BRET SCHUNDLER STEVE DAVIDSON TOM WILEN	AARON MORRILL RAYLIE VUNKEL TOM GIBBONS SHELLEY SKINNER	JAMES CARROLL SEBASTIAN BERNHEIM HEATHER TAYLOR DANIEL LEVIN
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N.V.-Not Voting (Abstain)

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE TO CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING											
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SOTTOLANO	✓			GAUGHAN	✓			BRENNAN	✓		
SPINELLO	✓			FULOP	✓			FLOOD	✓		
LIPSKI	✓			RICHARDSON	✓			VEGA, PRES.	✓		

✓ Indicates Vote

DAN FALCON ANTHONY MORELLI ANDREW HUBSCH MAHALEY BOWLES	YVONNE BALCER	
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N.V.-Not Voting (Abstain)

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON AMENDMENTS, IF ANY											
COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.	COUNCILPERSON	AYE	NAY	N.V.
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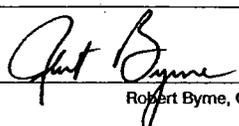
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SOTTOLANO	✓			GAUGHAN	✓			BRENNAN	✓		
SPINELLO	✓			FULOP	✓			FLOOD	✓		
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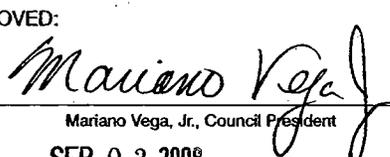
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Initiated by Petition Certified August 20, 2008

Adopted on second and final reading after hearing on SEP 03 2008

This is to certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the Municipal Council at its meeting on SEP 03 2008


 Robert Byrne, City Clerk

APPROVED: 
 Mariano Vega, Jr., Council President
 Date: SEP 03 2008

APPROVED: 
 Jerramiah T. Healy, Mayor
 Date: SEP 05 2008
 Date to Mayor SEP 04 2008

*Amendment(s):