NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

Notice is hereby given that <u>City of Oklahoma City</u> ("<u>Contracting Entity</u>") will receive electronic proposals at the **OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK**, **200 North Walker Avenue**, **Oklahoma City**, **Oklahoma 73102** until 4:00:00 p.m., on the 11th day of December 2024, for the following:

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP-OCITY-171) – SAFETY CONSULTANT FOR THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY

A non-mandatory pre-proposal meeting will be held on Thursday, November 14th 2024 at 2:00 pm CST via Microsoft Teams. Please notify Emma Winiski at emma.winiski@okc.gov of your intention to attend and to receive a link to access the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to explain the request for proposal, answer any questions concerning the proposal, and to receive any requests for amendments to the RFP as suggested by interested proposers. The Contracting Entity makes no assurances that any such requested amendments will be incorporated into the RFP.

The Contracting Entity has partnered with Periscope (formerly BidSync) to accept proposals electronically. You are invited to submit a proposal electronically through the Periscope system to supply the professional services, products, and/or systems specified in the electronic proposal packet. The Contracting Entity does not provide access to a computer to prepare electronic proposals or electronic proposal submission. Proposers must register with Periscope at https://prod.bidsync.com/the-city-of-oklahoma-city in order to submit an electronic proposal. The Contracting Entity recommends potential Proposers register and become familiar with the Periscope electronic proposal process in advance of submitting a proposal. There is no charge to the Proposer for registering or submitting an electronic proposal to the Contracting Entity through Periscope. Instructions on how to get registered to propose through Periscope can be found on The City of Oklahoma City's website at https://www.okc.gov/departments/bidding.

A copy of the Guidelines and Procedures for Professional Consultant Selection may be downloaded at the following website: https://www.okc.gov/departments/finance/policies. Proposals shall be made in accordance with this Notice to Proposers, General Instructions and Requirements for Proposers, Oklahoma Open Records Act and Confidential Information, the RFP proposal packet, and any other documents which are included in the complete electronic proposal packet. A sample Non-Discrimination Statement, Non-Collusion Affidavit, and Vendor Registration form are attached for the Proposer's reference and will be completed prior to contract approval. By submitting a proposal, the Proposer certifies that the Proposer, and any proposed subcontractors, are in compliance with 25 O.S. § 1313 and participate in the Status Verification System. The Status Verification System is defined in 25 O.S. § 1312 and includes but is not limited to the free Employment Verification Program (E-Verify) through the Department of Homeland Security and available at www.dhs.gov/E-Verify.

The Contracting Entity reserves the right to waive formalities, irregularities, and defects in any or all proposals, except as otherwise required by law. The Contracting Entity reserves the right: to reject any or all proposals; to reject a portion of any or all proposals; to negotiate and execute or to not negotiate or execute an Agreement with any Proposer; and to solicit new or different proposals. The Contracting Entity reserves the right to negotiate and/or contract with one or more

Proposers for all or a portion of any proposal or proposed professional services, products and/or systems.

Proposals timely received electronically through Periscope in the City Clerk's Office shall be forwarded to the Requesting Department for the Selection Committee to open and review. The Periscope system does not allow proposals to be submitted after the above stated date and time. There will be no exceptions to this policy.