SECTION I – SUMMARY

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (“Air District”) seeks proposals from qualified contractors to perform routine and specialized janitorial services at various Air District facilities located in the San Francisco Bay Area as outlined in this Request for Proposals (“RFP”). The Air District anticipates selecting one (1) or more qualified contractor(s) to provide routine custodial and sanitation services on monthly, quarterly, and as-needed basis.

Work is anticipated to commence July 1, 2022 for a three (3) year term. The Air District, at its sole discretion, may extend the contract for up to three (3) additional one-year terms based on contractor’s performance.

To respond to this RFP, an interested company should submit its proposal electronically (in Adobe Acrobat PDF file format) to the Air District’s Procurement Portal (Portal):

Michael Chao, Staff Specialist
Bay Area Air Quality Management District
375 Beale Street, Suite 600; San Francisco, CA 94105
Portal link: https://baaqmd.bonfirehub.com

Proposals must be submitted and received by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 25, 2022 (“deadline”). Late proposals will not be considered.
Proposals must address all information requested in this RFP. A proposal may add information not requested in this RFP, but the information should be in addition to, not instead of, the requested information and format. Minority business enterprises, women’s business enterprises, veteran’s business enterprises, and Certified Green Businesses are encouraged to submit proposals. Any questions regarding this RFP should be submitted through the Portal.

SECTION II – BACKGROUND

A. Air District Overview

The Air District was created by the California Legislature in 1955 as the first regional agency to deal with air pollution in California. The Air District jurisdiction includes Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, Santa Clara, San Francisco, San Mateo, southwestern Solano, and southern Sonoma counties.

The State Legislature originally gave the Air District the authority to regulate stationary sources of air pollution, such as factories, oil refineries, chemical plants, gasoline stations, and agricultural burning. With more recent legislation, the Air District was granted authority to enact certain transportation and mobile source measures.

The Air District is governed by a twenty-four-member Board of Directors, consisting of elected officials, including county supervisors, mayors, and city council members. The Executive Officer / Air Pollution Control Officer (APCO) for the Air District is Jack P. Broadbent.

B. Janitorial Services

The Air District seeks janitorial services from qualified and insured contractors to provide custodial and sanitation service for ten (10) Air District facilities. Contractors must be licensed in accordance with all federal, state, and local laws governing the janitorial industry and must demonstrate the ability to provide and maintain administrative, operational, and logistical support for the Air District. In addition, contractors must adhere to all federal, state, and local regulations and labor laws.

Janitorial services shall maintain the highest of hygiene standards and ensure that Air District facilities are maintained in a manner that is clean, safe, and healthy for employees and public enjoyment.

SECTION III – FACILITY LOCATIONS AND SERVICE FREQUENCY

The Air District requires janitorial services for the locations listed in the table below. The Air District may occasionally require janitorial services for locations not listed on an as-needed basis. All sites are located within the Air District’s jurisdiction in the San Francisco Bay Area.
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### SECTION IV – SCOPE OF WORK

The selected contractor(s) shall provide all labor, material, equipment, and supervision of reliable janitorial staff to perform janitorial services for the facilities outlined in this RFP in a satisfactory manner.

1. **Routine Janitorial Services.** The contractor shall provide reliable, experienced, and fully equipped staff to perform the following janitorial and building maintenance services.
   
a. **Basic Services**
   
   - Spot clean light switches, doors, and door frames.
   - Wipe down desks and counter tops.
   - Wipe down handrails and banisters.
   - Dust office furniture.
   - Wipe down windowsills.
   - Dust computer screens.
   - Dust partition tops.
   - Dust picture frames and light fixtures.
   - Dust baseboards and chair bases.
   - Dust window blinds.
   - Empty all wastebaskets and recycling containers and install new liners.
   - Remove all trash, recyclables, including broken down boxes from the floor, to designated trash areas.
   - Clean and disinfect waste receptacles (inside and out).

b. **Carpet:**
   
   - Vacuum all rugs and wall-to-wall carpeting in all areas unobstructed by furniture. Chairs should be moved from desks and conference room tables, and then returned to their original position after completion of vacuuming.
• Spot clean carpets as needed.

c. Hard Surface Floors:
• Sweep and/or dust mop all floors, including pantries, halls and conference rooms.
• Wet mop if spillage has occurred.
• Wipe down baseboards as needed.

d. Pantry/Kitchen and Break Area:
• Clean and disinfect all pantry sinks and countertops with cleaning products that are Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered as disinfectants or hard surface sanitizers.
• Clean and disinfect tables
• Wipe down inside/outside of microwave

e. Restrooms (if applicable):
• Thoroughly clean all urinals, toilets and lavatories with a solution containing a commercial grade disinfectant – products must be registered by the EPA as disinfectants and/or hard surface sanitizers.
• Clean and disinfect all restroom sinks and countertops with cleaning products that are EPA registered as disinfectants or hard surface sanitizers.
• Damp mop lavatory floor area with a germicidal detergent of neutral odor.
• Clean and polish mirrors and all bright work which will include paper towel dispensers, soap dispensers, flushometers, flush levers, piping, disposal receptacles, urinal partitions or any other metal accessory.
• Spot clean walls around sinks, urinals, and toilet bowls.
• Remove all wastepaper and soiled sanitary napkins into proper containers to be collected for removal. All receptacles are to be thoroughly cleaned, washed, and wiped dry with new liners installed.
• Check and restock all toilet paper, seat covers, paper towels and soap to ensure an ample supply of products is available for the following business day.
• Dust top of lavatory partitions.

2. Additional Services. The contractor shall provide the following services on an as-needed basis upon the Air District’s request:
   a. Carpet cleaning/shampooing.
   b. Window cleaning.
   c. Emergency cleaning (fire, flood, etc.).
   d. Strip and seal restrooms.
   e. Interior and exterior painting.
   f. Landscaping.
   g. Light bulb replacement.

   a. The Air District will supply all the restroom, pantry and employee lounge area supplies such as paper towels, toilet paper and liquid hand soap.
   b. Contractor is responsible for all janitorial supplies and equipment necessary to properly perform the work described in this RFP. These supplies and equipment consist of mops, dusting cloths, polishes, vacuum cleaners, brushes, buckets, detergents, scouring powders, disinfectants,
wax, wax machines, shampoo or steam cleaning equipment, and commercial grade EPA registered disinfectant or hard surface sanitizers.

c. Limited space is available for contractor to store basic equipment and supplies on site.

4. Supervision of Work.
   a. Contractor shall conduct regular systematic inspection of the work crew and shall be responsible for providing adequate supervision to assure competent and satisfactory performance of the services required under this RFP.
   b. Contractor shall notify the Air District’s designated contact by phone or email of any special comments on janitorial needs.

5. Security and Communication.
   a. Contractor shall ensure all windows and doors are locked upon completion of work.
   b. Contractor shall disarm/arm security system.
   c. Contractor shall check communication log and respond accordingly.

6. General Requirements. Contractor shall be responsible for the following:
   a. Report routine, non-emergency maintenance or repair needs to the Air District (e.g., burned out light bulbs or fluorescent tubes, broken fixtures or fixtures not working properly, etc.).
   b. Report any security breaches, emergency maintenance or repair needs to Air District (e.g., broken exterior locks, doors or windows; electrical hazards; flooding, etc.).
   c. Maintain janitorial supply and equipment storage areas neat and clean.
   d. Use a high-efficiency particulate absorbing (HEPA) filter vacuum, or a vacuum with a .3-micron air filtration system, when vacuuming.
   e. When scheduling substantial or disruptive cleaning activities (interior window cleaning, carpet shampooing, etc.), provide Air District with sufficient notice to pick up, clear away and/or remove items in the way.
   f. Attend meetings with Air District staff upon request. The following personnel will be required to attend the meetings: an officer of the company and the manager or supervisor responsible for the janitorial staff providing on-site services.

7. Work Schedule. Monday through Friday evenings (after 6:00 p.m.) and weekends at any time, not including recognized Air District holidays. Schedules will be determined and agreed upon between the selected contractor and the Air District.

SECTION V – INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

A. General

1. Interested firms must create an account through the Portal described in this RFP to view RFP documents and addenda, and to submit questions and bid documents.

2. All proposals must be made in accordance with the conditions of this RFP.
Failure to address any of the requirements is grounds for rejection of this proposal.

3. All information should be complete, specific, and as concise as possible.

4. Proposals should include any additional information that the respondent deems pertinent to the understanding and evaluation of the bid.

5. The Air District may modify the RFP or issue supplementary information or guidelines during the proposal preparation period prior to the deadline. Please check our Portal for updates prior to the deadline.

6. Proposals shall constitute firm offers. Once submitted, proposals may be withdrawn, modified and resubmitted through the Portal up until the deadline.

7. The Air District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

8. All questions must be in written form and submitted through the Portal no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 18, 2022. Firms will not be able to submit questions after this time. All questions will be answered in writing and posted on the Portal by 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 3, 2022.

9. The cost for developing the proposal is the responsibility of the bidder and shall not be chargeable to the Air District.

B. Submittal of Proposals

All proposals must be submitted according to the specifications set forth in Section V (A) – Contents of Proposal, and this section. Failure to adhere to these specifications may be cause for the rejection of the proposal.

1. Deadline – All proposals are due no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, March 25, 2022, and should be submitted via the Portal to:

   Michael Chao, Staff Specialist
   Bay Area Air Quality Management District
   375 Beale Street, Suite 600; San Francisco, CA 94105
   Portal link: https://baaqmd.bonfirehub.com

2. Uploading large documents may take significant time, depending on the size of the file(s) and Internet connection speed. Bidders should plan sufficient time before the deadline to begin the uploading process and to finalize their submissions. Bidders will not be able to submit documents after the deadline. Proposals received after the date and time previously specified will not be considered.

3. Signature – All proposals should be signed by an authorized representative of the bidder.

4. Submittal – Submit one (1) electronic copy (in Adobe Acrobat PDF file format). Electronic submissions submitted via the Portal will be acknowledged with a
confirmation email receipt. Late proposals will not be accepted. Any correction or re-submission of proposals will not extend the submittal deadline.

5. Grounds for Rejection – A proposal may be rejected at any time if it arrives after the deadline, or is not in the prescribed format, or is not signed by an individual authorized to represent the firm.

6. Disposition of the Proposals – All responses to this RFP become property of the Air District and will be kept confidential until a recommendation for award of a contract has been announced. Thereafter, submittals are subject to public inspection and disclosure under the California Public Records Act. If a respondent believes that any portion of its submittal is exempt from public disclosure, it may mark that portion “confidential.” The Air District will use reasonable means to ensure that such confidential information is safeguarded but will not be held liable for inadvertent disclosure of the information. Proposals marked “confidential” in their entirety will not be honored, and the Air District will not deny public disclosure of any portion of submittals so marked.

By submitting a proposal with portions marked “confidential,” a respondent represents it has a good faith belief that such portions are exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act and agrees to reimburse the Air District for, and to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Air District, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, liabilities, suits, judgments, fines, penalties, costs, and expenses, including without limitation, attorneys’ fees, expenses, and court costs of any nature whatsoever, arising from or relating to the Air District’s non-disclosure of any such designated portions of a proposal.

7. Modification – Once submitted, proposals, including the composition of the contracting team, may be altered up until the deadline. Proposals may not be modified after the deadline. All proposals shall constitute firm offers valid for ninety (90) days from the deadline.

C. Interviews

1. The Air District, at its option, may interview bidders. The interviews will be for the purpose of clarifying the proposals.

2. Submittal of new proposal material at an interview will not be permitted.

3. Interviews may involve a presentation and/or a question-and-answer session.

SECTION VI – PROPOSAL FORMAT, CONTENT, AND SUBMITTAL

A. Contents of Proposal

Submitted proposals must follow the format outlined below and include all requested information. Failure to submit proposals in the required format can result in the proposal being eliminated from evaluation and consideration.
1. Technical Proposal

a. Cover Letter (Section I) – Must include the name, address, and telephone number of the company, and must be signed by the person(s) authorized to represent the firm.

b. Firm Contact Information – Provide the following information about the firm:
   • Address and telephone number of office nearest to San Francisco, California and the address and phone number of the office that each of the proposed staff members are based out of if different.
   • Name of firm’s representative designated as the contact and email address
   • Name of project manager, if different from the individual designated as the contact

c. Table of Contents – Clearly identify material contained in the proposal by section.

d. Summary (Section II) – State overall approach to Janitorial Services, including the objectives and scope of work.

e. Firm Organization (Section III) – Provide a statement of your firm’s background and related experience in providing similar services to governmental organizations, if any. Describe the technical capabilities of the firm and, in particular, the firm’s exposure with working with environmental regulations, if any.

f. References (Section IV) – Provide three (3) references of other, similar projects including contact name, title, and telephone number for all references listed.

g. Project Organization (Section V) – Describe the proposed management structure, program monitoring procedures, and organization of the janitorial team. Provide a statement detailing your approach to the project, specifically addressing the firm’s ability and willingness to commit and maintain staffing to successfully provide the services outlined in this RFP.

h. Assigned Personnel (Section VI) – Provide the following information about the staff to be assigned to the project:
   • List all key personnel assigned to the project by level and name. Provide a description of their background, along with a summary of their experience in providing similar services for governmental agencies, and any specialized expertise they may have. Background descriptions can be a resume, CV, or summary sheet. Substitution of project manager or staff will not be permitted without prior written approval of the Air District’s assigned program manager.
   • Provide a statement of the availability of staff in any local office with
• Provide a statement of education and training programs provided to, or required of, the staff assigned to provide janitorial services. Make particular mention of with reference to experience dealing with governmental agencies, procedures, and environmental regulations.

• The Air District desires that full-time staff be assigned to the maximum extent possible to ensure consistency in quality and staffing. Indicate whether full-time or part-time staff will be assigned to perform the services outlined in this RFP. If non-full-time employees are assigned, the firm must provide a detailed explanation for the necessity to use non-full-time employees.

i. Retention of Working Papers (Section VII) – All working papers are the property of the Air District. Include a statement acknowledging that if your firm is awarded the contract, you will retain project related papers and related reports for a minimum of five (5) years.

j. Subcontractors (Section VIII) – List any subcontractors that will be used, the work to be performed by them, and the total number of hours or percentage of time they will spend on the contract.

k. Conflict of Interest (Section IX) – Address possible conflicts of interest with other clients affected by contractors’ actions performed by the firm on behalf of the Air District. The Air District recognizes that prospective bidders may have contracts to perform similar services for other clients. Include a complete list of such clients for the past three (3) years with the type of work performed and the total number of years performing such tasks for each client. The Air District reserves the right to consider the nature and extent of such work in evaluating the proposal.

l. Additional Data (Section X) – Provide other essential data that may assist in the evaluation of the proposal (e.g., green business certification, etc).

2. Cost Proposal

a. Complete Attachment A, Cost Proposal with the fixed monthly and quarterly service charges for the janitorial services outlined in this RFP. Costs should be inclusive of all labor and expense, including profit/overhead, transportation expenses, and fuel surcharges. In addition, list the rates for additional services that may be required by the Air District on an as-needed basis.

b. The Cost Proposal does not need to be a separate, sealed document.
SECTION VII – PROPOSAL EVALUATION

A panel of Air District staff will evaluate all proposals. The panel will recommend the selection of the contractor to the APCO, who will, in turn, make a recommendation to the Air District Board of Directors. The Air District Board of Directors may be required to approve the contract to carry out the work described in this RFP. A link to a typical contract for professional services used by the Air District is included in Section VII.

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** The Air District gives preferences to local business and those that are certified as green businesses by a government agency or independent private rating organization. “Local business” means that a firm’s headquarters is located within the nine counties of the Air District’s jurisdiction.

If two or more proposals receive the same number of points, the Air District will accept the lower cost offer.

SECTION VIII – SAMPLE CONTRACT

A sample contract to carry out the work described in this RFP is available on the Air District’s website at http://www.baaqmd.gov/about-the-air-district/request-for-proposals-rfp-rfq/samples-previous. (Click the “+” to the left of Sample Contracts, and then click on the Professional Services Contract link)

SECTION IX – ATTACHMENTS

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