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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL COVER PAGE

RFP Number:	7288-21
RFP Title:	Boulder County Housing Authority Audit and Tax Services
RFP Questions Due:	December 22, 2021 – 2:00 p.m.
Submittal Due Date:	January 6, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.
Email Address:	purchasing@bouldercounty.org
Documents included in this package:	Proposal Instructions Terms and Conditions Specifications Insurance and W-9 Requirements Submittal Section Evaluation Criteria Sustainability Questionnaire Signature Page

Sample Contract



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PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Purpose/Background

The Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA) invites <u>Independent Certified Public Accounting Firms</u>, or Fee Accounting Firms with CPAs on Staff, who are licensed to practice in the State of Colorado, to submit proposals for from one to two fee for service CPAs for the provision of accounting services. We are soliciting pricing for fee for service CPAs at the experienced staff level, at the senior staff level, and at the managerial level.

The awarded firm will be expected to enter into a six-month contract with two additional 6-month renewals possible through July, 2023. It is possible that multiple vendors will be awarded.

2. Written Inquiries

All inquiries regarding this RFP will be submitted via email to the Boulder County Purchasing Office at purchasing@bouldercounty.org on or before 2:00 p.m. **December 22, 2021**. A response from the county to all inquiries will be posted and sent via email no later than **December 29, 2021**.

Please do not contact any other county department or personnel with questions or for information regarding this solicitation.

3. Submittal Instructions

Submittals are due at the email box <u>only</u>, listed below, for time and date recording on or before **2:00 p.m. Mountain Time on January 6, 2022**.

<u>Please note that email responses to this solicitation are limited to a maximum of 50MB capacity.</u>

NO ZIP FILES OR LINKS TO EXTERNAL SITES WILL BE ACCEPTED. THIS INCLUDES GOOGLE DOCS AND SIMILAR SITES. ALL SUBMITTALS MUST BE RECEIVED AS AN ATTACHMENT (E.G. PDF, WORD, EXCEL).

Electronic Submittals must be received in the email box listed below. Submittals sent to any other box will NOT be forwarded or accepted. This email box is only accessed on the due date of your questions or proposals. Please use the Delivery Receipt option to verify receipt of your email. It is the sole responsibility of the proposer to ensure their documents are received before the deadline specified above. Boulder County does not accept responsibility under any circumstance for delayed or failed email or mailed submittals.

Email <u>purchasing@bouldercounty.org</u>; identified as **RFP #7288-21** in the subject line.

All RFPs must be received, and time and date recorded by authorized county staff by the above due date and time. Sole responsibility rests with the proposer to see that their RFP response is received on time at the stated location(s). Any responses received after due date and time will be returned to the proposer.

The Boulder County Housing Authority Board reserves the right to reject any and all responses, to waive any informalities or irregularities therein, and to accept the proposal that, in the opinion of the Board, is in the best interest of the Board and of the County of Boulder, State of Colorado.

Contractors and their employees, subcontractors, and agents must comply with all federal, state, and local laws, regulations, ordinances, orders, and codes, as well as Boulder County policies, guidelines, and protocols.

Please be advised of the following contract term required for all Boulder County contracts effective 12/1/21:

COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement for Certain Contractors of County

On September 28, 2021, the Boulder County Board of Commissioners adopted a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy that applies to, as relevant here, all employees of independent contractors of the County that perform county work in a county facility. For purposes of this policy, "perform work in a county facility" means any employee of an independent contractor that routinely performs more than fifteen (15) hours per month of county work that takes place in or on a county facility/property. Under the County's COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy, these individuals are required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine unless a reasonable accommodation based on medical reasons or due to a sincerely held religious belief is requested and approved. The policy requires that, by December 1, 2021, all individuals to which the policy applies must be fully vaccinated and submit proof of vaccination or have an approved reasonable accommodation in place. Therefore, beginning December 1, 2021, any employees of Contractor that perform county work in a county facility must be in compliance

with the County's vaccine requirement policy unless Contractor can show proof that it is in compliance with its own COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy or is required by local, state, or federal law or regulation to be compliant with a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy.

<u>Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)</u>: If you need special services provided for under the Americans with Disabilities Act, contact the ADA Coordinator or the Human Resources office at (303) 441-3525 at least 48 hours before the scheduled event.



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. Proposers are expected to examine the drawing, specifications, schedule of delivery, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the proposer's risk.
- 2. Each proposer will furnish the information required in the Request for Proposals.
- 3. The Contract/Purchase Order will be awarded to that responsible proposer whose submittal, conforming to the Request for Proposals, will be most advantageous to the County of Boulder, price and other factors considered.
- 4. The Boulder County Housing Authority and County of Boulder reserve the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received, and to accept any portion of or all items proposed if deemed in the best interest of the County of Boulder to do so.
- 5. No submittal will be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of proposals without the consent of the County Purchasing Agent or delegated representative.
- 6. A signed purchase order or contract furnished to the successful proposer results in a binding contract without further action by either party.
- 7. Late or unsigned proposals will not be accepted or considered. It is the responsibility of proposers to ensure that the proposal arrives at the purchasing email address prior to the time indicated in the "Request for Proposals."
- 8. The proposed price will be exclusive of any Federal or State taxes from which the County of Boulder is exempt by law.
- 9. Any interpretation, correction or change of the RFP documents will be made by Addendum. Interpretations, corrections and changes of the RFP documents made in any other manner

will not be binding, and proposer will not rely upon such interpretations, corrections and changes. The County's Representative will not be responsible for oral clarification.

10. Confidential/Proprietary Information: Proposals submitted in response to this "Request for Proposals" and any resulting contract are subject to the provisions of the Colorado Open Records Act, 24-72-201 et seq., C.R.S., as amended. Any restrictions on the use or inspection of material contained within the proposal or resulting contract will be clearly stated in the proposal and contract itself. Confidential/proprietary information must be readily identified, marked and separated/packaged from the rest of the proposal. Co-mingling of confidential/proprietary and other information is NOT acceptable. Proposals that do not properly identify confidential/proprietary information may be released in their entirety. Pricing totals contained in a proposal are not considered confidential.

The Boulder County Attorney's Office retains sole authority for determining whether the Colorado Open Records Act requires or permits Boulder County to disclose proposal or bid documents, or any information contained therein, pursuant to an open records request.

- 11. Boulder County promotes the purchase/leasing of energy efficient, materials efficient and reduced toxic level products where availability, quality and budget constraints allow. Proposers are expected whenever possible to provide products that earn the ENERGY STAR and meet the ENERGY STAR specifications for energy efficiency with power management features enabled. Proposers are encouraged to offer products and equipment with post-consumer recycled-content materials. Products should be packaged and delivered with a minimum amount of recycled packaging that adequately protects the product but is not excessive.
- 12. Pursuant to Colorado law (House Bill 1292), in any bidding process for public works in which a bid is received from a non-resident bidder who is from a state that provides a percentage bidding preference, a comparable percentage disadvantage will be applied to the bid of that bidder. Bidders may obtain additional information from the Department of Personnel's website: http://www.colorado.gov/dpa/.



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SPECIFICATIONS

The Boulder County Housing Authority (also referred to herein as either "BCHA" or "the Housing Authority") invites <u>Independent Certified Public Accounting Firms</u>, or Fee Accounting Firms with <u>CPAs on Staff</u>, who are licensed to practice in the State of Colorado, to submit proposals for two fee for service CPAs for the provision of accounting services, one fee for service CPA at the experienced staff level, and one fee for service CPA at the senior staff or managerial level. Services are to be performed in accordance with the provisions contained in this request for proposal.

General Requirements

Under the direction of the Boulder County Housing and Human Services Finance Division Director, the awarded firm will be required to agree to provide fee for service professional accounting compliance support as specified below for the Boulder County Housing Authority and it's component units Josephine Commons LLC, Aspinwall LLC, Kestrel I LLC, Tungsten Village LLC., and Coffman Place LLC.

The firm selected is expected to provide CPAs who have experience working with, or who are familiar with Section 42 Internal Revenue Code regarding Low-Income Housing Tax Credits. Additionally, the CPAs providing services are expected to have experience working with or be familiar with Public Housing Authority (PHA) contractual arrangements with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) with regard to the management and operation of Housing Stabilization and Rental Assistance Programs such as Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) and Project-Based Voucher (PBV) Programs.

The firm selected is expected to engage early with the Boulder County Housing Authority finance team to establish a work plan and determine information that can be provided in advance of the formal engagement.

The Contractor(s) (successful offeror(s)) will:

1. From January 15, 2022 through June 30, 2022, provide or assist in providing the following detailed services/tasks in accordance with the monthly and annual accounting cycles.

- Contract services may be renewed for two subsequent 6-month periods if both parties agree.
- Provide all accounting and reporting services in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures (GAAP) as well as all grant and contract specified reporting provisions of applicable, including uniform guidelines for federal awards, and HUD specific guidelines for Low Income Housing Programs for use in auditing purposes and the Single Audit Act.

Duties of Fee for Service CPA at the Experienced, Senior and/or Managerial Staff Level:

Audit

- Leads and manages various external and internal audit processes for BCHA and affiliate entities.
- Assists with the annual independent audit and other internal and external audits as requested
- Assist with the preparation and review of the annual REAC submission to HUD

Accounting and Financial Reporting

- Prepares and reviews transactions to ensure accuracy in the financial accounting system
- Prepares billings/invoices and monitors accounts receivable collections
- Verifies receipt and usage of county warrants to assure compliance with funding stipulations
- Prepares financial reports for internal and external review
- Assists with LIHTC financial reporting compliance requirements
- Assists with monitoring transactions and reports within the accounting system to ensure timeliness, accuracy and conformance with all applicable accounting standards, contract requirements and governmental regulations
- Assists with the documentation and evaluation of accounting policies and procedures, and in the development and implementation of new policies and procedures
- Assists with the implementation of accounting and reporting changes relative to new accounting standards, rules and regulations

Budget & Financial Analysis

- Prepares budget projections for revenues and expenses using complex spreadsheets
- Assists with the documentation and evaluation of budgeting policies and procedures, and in the development and implementation of new policies and procedures
- Conducts a variety of financial analyses as requested
- Assists in defining fiscal goals and objectives
- Assists with development of publications that document budget decisions and processes
- Monitor key performance indicators and comparisons of actual financial results compared to budget reports and perform a variety of accompanying analyses

Purchasing and Contracts

Assists with purchasing systems vendor maintenance and purchase order processing

- Assists with drafting new contracts and processing contract renewals
- Assists with maintaining compliance with grants and contracts financial reporting and billing requirements

Program Support and Compliance with Stakeholder Information Requests and Other

- Assist with the financial administration of various rental assistance programs
- Answers questions from BCHA and County employees, investors, lenders, and the public relating to financial information
- Performs related work, as required
- May be reassigned in emergency situations

Location for Provision of Services

Contracted fee for service personnel may work from a remote work-site. Drop-in space will be provided as needed at the BCHA offices, 1333 Iris Ave., Boulder, CO 80304. Travel costs will not be reimbursed. Therefore, it is advised that contract personnel reside within reasonable commuting distance from the BCHA office 1333 Iris Ave. Boulder address.

BCHA Overview of Entity Structure and Operations

The Housing Authority, a blended component unit of Boulder County, Colorado, is a public purpose financial enterprise and, therefore follows standards for enterprise fund accounting. The Housing Authority's financial statements are produced on the accrual basis of accounting.

The Housing Authority property portfolio consists of 835 units of affordable rental units that are scattered throughout Boulder County. Of those 835 units, 467 are located within our LIHTC partnerships: Josephine Commons, Aspinwall, Kestrel and Tungsten Village. The remaining 368 units are dispersed throughout the county in which the Housing Authority owns and manages. Included in the Authority's primary government entity is one blended component unit, MFPH Acquisitions LLC, of which the Housing Authority is the sole owner.

In addition to the primary government entity of the Housing Authority, there are four discretely presented component units supporting affordable rental housing properties: Josephine Commons, LLC, formed in 2011; Aspinwall, LLC, formed in 2012; Kestrel I, LLC, formed in 2016; and Tungsten Village, LLC formed in 2020. All four discretely presented component units are low income housing tax credit (LIHTC) partnerships organized as Colorado Limited Liability Companies, and legally separate from the Housing Authority. The majority interest in each of the LIHTC entities is owned and controlled by a private investor. The Housing Authority, through an affiliate LLC, is the general partner and manager of each entity, with powers limited to those specified in each of the partnership's respective operating agreements.

BCHA Overview of Programs

The following is a brief description of significant programs and services provided by the Housing Authority for residents within Boulder County.

Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program

The HCV Program is a rent subsidy program funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program assists individuals and families with very-low income, including seniors and people with disabilities. Assistance is provided on behalf of the participants, who secure their own housing within the community, with rent payments split in portions between the Housing Authority and the household. As of December 31, 2020, the Housing Authority had an annual contribution contract for 896 vouchers and had issued and utilized 881 vouchers.

HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Program

The VASH program combines HCV rental assistance for homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The VA provides these services for participating Veterans at VA medical centers and community-based outreach clinics. All participants are referred to the Authority by the VA. As of December 31, 2020, the Housing Authority had utilized 63 VASH vouchers.

Family Unification Program (FUP)

FUP is a supportive housing early intervention program that provides housing with supportive case management services to both families with identified child welfare concerns and youth transitioning out of the foster care system within Boulder County. The objective is to promote family reunification with the result being the prevention of the removal of children from their parents due to housing instability. FUP also addresses the needs of homeless youth that have spent considerable time in the foster care system by offering supportive services, enhancing their opportunity for self-sufficiency and transition into adulthood. As of December 31, 2020, the Housing Authority had utilized 78 FUP vouchers.

Project-Based Voucher (PBV) Program

PBV assistance is tied to the unit, rather than the person. BCHA owns and manages properties throughout the County and offers these units to eligible residents at a cost that is affordable to them. Participants come from BCHA's Family Self-Sufficiency Program, a five-year academic, employment and savings initiative program designed to help families gain job training and education, improve their financial situation, and move toward self-sufficiency. As of December 31, 2020, the Housing Authority had utilized 130 project-based vouchers.

Section 8 Voucher (Section 8)

Under the Section 8 voucher program, individuals or families with a voucher find and lease a unit (either in a specified complex or in the private sector) and pay a portion of the rent. Most households pay 30% of their adjusted income for Section 8 housing. As of December 31, 2020, the Housing Authority had 545 Section 8 vouchers utilized.

Non-Elderly Disabled (NED)

The NED program enables non-elderly disabled families to lease affordable private housing of their choice. As of December 31, 2020, the Housing Authority has 35 NED vouchers utilized.

Other Vouchers

The Housing Authority has 30 other vouchers utilized which in combination include 6 port in/port out, 5 Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) vouchers, 3 homeowners, 3 disaster recovery, and 13 Homeless Families vouchers.

Housing Stabilization Program (HSP)

HSP provides short-term rental assistance to residents of Boulder County who are at-risk of homelessness. HSP is funded by the Human Services Safety Net (HSSN), a temporary 0.9 mill levy increase to property taxes, through a ballot initiative approved by the voters of Boulder County extending through the year 2030.

Continuum of Care Program (COC)

In 2016, BCHA received a federal grant from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund a rapid re-housing program supporting work to strengthen the safety net in Boulder County. In 2020, the grant supported approximately 66 households in Boulder County for citizens who were either homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness.

Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)

BCHA receives federal funding through the ESG to engage homeless individuals and families living on the street, improve the number and quality of emergency shelter for homeless individuals and families, provide operational assistance for shelters, and rapidly rehouse homeless individuals and families. In 2020, the grant supported 22 households for citizens who were either homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness.

Low-Income Tax Credit Housing Partnerships (LIHTC)

The Authority or its affiliate is the general partner in four LIHTCs with a total of 467 rental units as of December 31, 2020: Josephine Commons, LLC, Aspinwall, LLC, Kestrel LLC, and Tungsten Village, LLC, all reported in the Authority's financial statements as discretely presented component units. In 2022, a new LIHTC development in Longmont, Coffman Place, LLC will become operational, providing an additional 73 affordable rental units.

Resident Services

The Housing Authority's Resident Services offer education, case management and other supports to assist Boulder County residents on their path toward financial stability and self-sufficiency. Some of the programs include the Family Self-Sufficiency program, various services for seniors, and Casa de la Esperanza (House of Hope), a residential program that includes afterschool programs and an academic center.

COVID Assistance

On March 11th, 2020, The World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 a global pandemic. Following this declaration, the Housing Authority went into a nation-wide lockdown for several months. BCHA took immediate steps to enforce COVID-19 safety protocols including social distancing, remote work where applicable and a single driver policy in County vehicles. Later in the

year as the pandemic progressed, federal funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act became available. And in 2021, the United States Treasury awarded BCHA with \$9.8 million to distribute to eligible renters through the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). Receipt of additional ERAP funding for distribution is anticipated for 2022.

BCHA Accounting System

BCHA employs an accounting system specific to the tracking and recording of housing and tenant activities. The Housing Management System (HMS) has financial modules that interface with the housing and tenant data bases to provide the basic financial statements. HMS is a product of H.A.B. Incorporate, Housing Software Solutions, P.O. Box 1026 La Crosse, WI 54602-1026, 608-785-7650.

Housing Management System (HMS) Entities and Fund

Account Structure by Entity

- 01 Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA)
- 04 Boulder County Housing Corporation
- 07 Multi Family Public Housing Acquisitions (MFPH)
- 10 Josephine Commons LLC
- 12 Aspinwall LLC
- 14 Kestrel I LLC
- 16 Tungsten Village LLC
- 18 Coffman Place LLC

Account Structure by Fund

- 01 General Administration
- 02 Public Housing Properties
- 06 Family Self-Sufficiency program
- 08 Section 8 program
- 09 Tax Credit Properties
- 11 Housing Counseling programs
- 12 Rehabilitation programs
- 13 Weatherization programs
- 15 Development Programs
- 50 North Properties
- **60 South Properties**
- 70 USDA Rural Development Properties
- 99 Flood Disasters

BCHA's records and procedures

BCHA provides Board reporting and basic financial statements on a monthly basis for all the entities and maintains these records. BCHA follows State of Colorado record retention guidelines. Financial reports (Balance Sheet and Income Statement) are generated from the finance modules in HMS.

BCHA has available electronic files for audits that go back four (4) years and paper files on site that go back ten (10) years.

Accounts payable (AP) and accounts receivable (AR) records are on site for current year and prior year (2021 and 2020) and AP and AR files are filed off site for seven years.

Single Audit A-133 applies to this audit

BCHA is required to file a Single Audit as per programs associated with Federal Awards.

BCHA Financial, Audit and Tax Compliance Due Dates

<u>Event</u> <u>Date</u>	<u>Due</u>
Coordinating conference with external auditor team	11-1-21
Fiscal Year End 2021	12-31-21
Unaudited 2021 FASS Submission Due Date (Verification)	2-28-22
Tungsten Village Audited Financial Statements	3-01-22
Josephine Commons Audited Financial Statements	3-01-22
Aspinwall Audited Financial Statements	3-01-22
Kestrel Audited Financial Statements	3-01-22
Aspinwall Partnership Tax Return Due Date Aspinwall Manager LLC Corporate Tax Return Due Date	3-15-22 4-15-22
Josephine Commons Partnership Tax Return Due Date Josephine Commons Manager LLC Corporate Tax Return Due Date	3-15-22 4-15-22
Kestrel Partnership Tax Return Due Date	3-15-22
Tungsten Village Partnership Tax Return Due Date	3-15-22
Completion of 2021 BCHA Financial Audit	5-31-22
2021 Financial Audit to BCHA for Boulder County Commissioners Packet	6-23-22

Auditor will present 2021 Financial Audit to Boulder County Commissioners (if requested)	6-28-22
Boulder County 2021 Audited Financial Statements State of Colorado Due Date per CRS 29.1.604 and 29.1.606	7-31-22
Single Audit for Federal Programs Final Due Date	9-30-22
2021 Audited Financial Statements FASS Submission Final Due Date	9-30-22

Assistance offered to the fee for service personnel

BCHA has a full accounting staff to direct and assist fee for service personnel. The Finance Division Director or the Housing Finance Manager will be available to coordinate the efforts of the seven-member permanent staff and fee for service personnel.



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INSURANCE AND W-9 REQUIREMENTS

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Commercial General Liability

This coverage should be provided on an Occurrence Form, ISO CG001 or equivalent, with Minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products Completed Operations Aggregate.

Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

Workers' Compensation must be maintained with the statutory limits. Employer's Liability is required for minimum limits of \$100,000 Each Accident/\$500,000 Disease-Policy Limit/\$100,000 Disease-Each Employee.

Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)

Professional liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Per Loss and \$1,000,000 Aggregate. Professional Liability provisions indemnifying for loss and expense resulting from errors, omission, mistakes or malpractice is acceptable and may be written on a claims-made basis. The contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

Boulder County Housing Authority and Boulder County as Additional Insured: Boulder County Housing Authority and Boulder County shall be named as an additional insured for General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, and Pollution Liability, as designated in this Contract. Additional insured shall be endorsed to the policy.

THE ADDITIONAL INSURED WORDING SHOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: Housing Authority of the County of Boulder, Colorado, a public body, corporate and politic; County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic; the State of Colorado; Aspinwall, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company; Josephine Commons, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company; MFPH Acquisitions, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company; Kestrel I, LLC, a Colorado limited liability

company, and Tungsten Village, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company, are named as Additional Insured.

In regards to General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, and Pollution Liability: If any or all of these coverages are required above, additional insured status will be required prior to beginning any and all tasks or work.

Note that the above insurance amounts are the minimum required for this project. **Proof of current insurance must be provided with your proposal in the form of a sample certificate or your proposal will be deemed non-responsive.** If you require a waiver of insurance requirements (e.g. Workers' Compensation and sole proprietorships) you may request one in your response with an explanation.

New certificates will be requested if the contract process takes more than 30 days after an award.

W-9 REQUIREMENT

Provide a copy of your business's W-9 with your proposal.



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SUBMITTAL SECTION

The proposer's attention is especially called to the items listed below, which must be submitted in full as part of the PROPOSAL. Failure to submit any of the documents listed below as a part of your PROPOSAL, or failure to acknowledge any addendum in writing with your PROPOSAL, or submitting a proposal on any condition, limitation or provision not officially invited in this Request for Proposal (RFP) may be cause for rejection of the PROPOSAL.

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF YOUR PROPOSAL PACKAGE: Proposer will check each box indicating compliance:

INCLUDED	ITEM	
	Name and Address of the Partners and Subcontractors if applicable	
	Total cost for a standard 40 hour per week schedule from January 15, 2022	
	through June 30, 2022 for the following contracted professional accounting	
	compliance services:	
	 Fee for service CPA at the experienced staff level 	
	2. Fee for service CPA at the senior staff or managerial level.	
	Information on the relevant experience of personnel providing services	
	Proof of Colorado active CPA Certification for personnel providing services	
	State your compliance with the Terms and Conditions in the Sample Contra	
	contained in this RFP. Specifically list any deviations and provide justification	
	each deviation.	
	Submit three references for similar projects your company has completed within	
	the last three years and contact information	
	Insurance Certificate	
	W-9	
	Sustainability Questionnaire	
	Signature Page	
	Addendum Acknowledgement(s) (If Applicable)	



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EVALUATION CRITERIA

The proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee. The committee may request additional information from vendors or request interviews with one or more vendors. Final evaluation and selection may be based on, but not limited to, any or all of the following:

- Demonstrated years of experience, accounting expertise and required credentials of assigned professional staff.
- Demonstrated experience in performing Housing Authority and/or tax credit professional accounting compliance contracted services.
- Total cost or proposed pricing.

A scoring matrix with the order and priority of criteria to be used by the county in its evaluation and selection process is shown below:

Description	Points
Demonstrated years of experience, accounting expertise and required credentials of	30
assigned professional staff	
Demonstrated experience in performing Housing Authority and/or tax credit professional	
accounting compliance contracted services	
Total cost or proposed pricing	40
Total Possible	100



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SUSTAINABILITY QUESTIONNAIRE

Company Nam	e: Date:
•	aire is applicable to firms that provide services as well as those that provide goods. Please estions to the best of your ability.
1. What susta	ainability certifications does your business have? Please check the items that apply:
	B-Corp Green Business Bureau Fair Trade USA Green C Certification None Other - describe any other certifications your company has related to sustainability.
	our company have a sustainability vision/commitment/values statement or policy? Please the items that apply: Our sustainability statement/policy describes our company's sustainability initiatives.
	We have formed an oversight committee to ensure the success of our sustainability policy Our sustainability statement/policy describes how our company explores opportunities to work with communities, governments and non-governmental and professional organizations to help articulate, teach and advance the principles of sustainability.
	We are currently in the process of developing a sustainability statement/policy consistent with a commitment to promote environmental, economic, and social sustainability. None
	Other - Provide (or supply a link) your company's sustainability statement/policy.

3. What policies are in place to monitor and manage your supply chain regarding sustainability

issues? Please select all that apply:

		We partner with suppliers who share in our sustainability commitment and/or work with them to reduce the impact to the environment of our resource needs as well as improve worker conditions. We purchase "green" (i.e. recyclable, reusable, non-toxic, compostable, fair trade and made from 100% post-consumer recycled materials) supplies, products, and materials. We specify locally manufactured products in procuring goods. We specify products that use the Electronic Products Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT) standards in procuring goods. None. Other – describe other ways your company monitors and manages your supply chain concerning environmental issues.
4.	Does y	our company promote sustainable transportation in its operations? Please select all that
		We own, rent, or lease electric fleet vehicles. We own, rent, or lease hybrid or natural gas fueled fleet vehicles. We encourage carpooling, public transportation, and using other alternative modes of transportation. We subsidize public transportation for employees. We have an established Green Transportation Plan (must describe below). We are developing a Green Transportation Plan (must describe below). We offer flexible hours, telecommuting, or a compressed work week. We utilize teleconference, video conference, WebEx or GoTo Meetings (or other similar conferencing services). None Other – describe other ways your company promotes sustainable transportation. If applicable, use this space to describe your company's Green Transportation Plan (whether existing or in development).
5.		does your company do to minimize the environmental impacts associated with shipping? check the items that apply:
		We have established company policies and procedures that minimize the need for shipping in the first place (must describe below). We combine deliveries with customer visits. We consolidate deliveries. We use bike couriers for local delivery. We utilize electronic communications and electronic transfer of documents, such as email, fax and Portable Document Format (PDF).

		We specify products that can be purchased locally within a 500-mile radius of the delivery location in procuring goods.
		We are currently evaluating what the company can do to minimize the environmental impacts associated with shipping (must describe below; no additional points awarded for providing this description).
		Our packaging/shipping materials are reusable.
		Our packaging/shipping materials are made from 100% post-consumer recycled materials. N/A
		Other – describe what your company does to minimize the environmental costs associated with shipping. If applicable, use this space to provide required description(s).
6.		ompany ever been cited for non-compliance of any law, regulation, ordinance, code, rule, or policy regarding an environmental or safety issue? Please check the item that applies:
		No, my company HAS NOT been cited for non-compliance regarding an environmental or safety issue.
		Yes, my company HAS been cited for non-compliance of an environmental or safety issue. N/A State the reason, date and outcome of the citation:
7.		rams do you have, either in place or currently being planned, to promote resource Examples include energy or waste audit programs. Please check the items that apply:
		We have an established zero waste program.
	Ħ	We utilize a facilities energy management system.
		We have adopted a climate action plan.
		We have a water conservation program.
		We have formed a sustainability committee to identify sustainable solutions for our company.
		We are a member of various sustainability organizations.
		We are recognized by peers and environmental organizations for providing leadership in Sustainability.
		None Other - what other programs do you have in place or planned for promoting resource. Efficiency?

8. If your business's proposal involves the provision of a product, does the manufacturer of the product, whether your business or an outside entity, have a sustainability policy statement? Please check the item that applies:

		No, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing DOES NOT have a sustainability policy statement.
		Yes, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing HAS a sustainability policy
		statement. Not applicable.
		Provide Sustainability Policy Statement:
		
9.	whether y	iness's proposal involves the provision of a product, has the manufacturer of the product, our business or an outside entity, ever been cited for non-compliance of any law, regulation, code, rule, standard, or policy regarding an environmental or safety issue? Please check the applies:
		No, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing HAS NOT been cited for
		noncompliance regarding an environmental or safety issue. Yes, the manufacturer of the product that I am proposing HAS been cited for
		noncompliance regarding an environmental or safety issue.
		Not applicable.
		Provide reason, date and outcome of the citation:
10	analysis of	siness's bid/proposal involves the provision of a product, has an environmental life-cycle the product that you are proposing been conducted by a certified testing organization, such eal, Energy Star, and Cradle to Cradle? Please check the item that applies.
		No, an environmental life-cycle analysis of the product that I am bidding/proposing HAS
		NOT been conducted by a certified testing organization, such as Green Seal. Yes, an environmental life-cycle analysis of the product that I am bidding/proposing HAS
		been conducted by a certified testing organization, such as Green Seal.
	Ш	Not applicable.
		Provide certification:



purchasing@bouldercounty.org

SIGNATURE PAGE

Contact Information	Response
Company Name including DBA	
List Type of Organization (Corporation, Partnership, etc.)	
Name, Title, and Email Address of Person Authorized to Contract with Boulder County	
Company Address	
Company Phone Number	
Company Website	
By signing below, I certify that: I am authorized to bid on my company's I am not currently an employee of Boulde None of my employees or agents is curre I am not related to any Boulder County e (Sole Proprietorships Only) I am not a Pu	er County. Intly an employee of Boulder County.
Signature of Person Authorized to Bid or Company's Behalf	n Date

Note: If you cannot certify the above statements, please explain in a statement of explanation.

CONTRACT

DETAILS SUMMARY		
Oracle Contract Number		
Boulder County Housing Au	uthority Contact Information	
Department	Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA)	
Mailing Address	P.O. Box 471, Boulder, CO 80306	
Contract Contact	[Project Manager Name and Title]	
	[Project Manager Email]	
	HHScontracts@bouldercounty.org	
Invoice Contact	. ,	
	HousingInvoices@bouldercounty.org	
Contractor Contact Information		
Contractor Name	[Contractor Name]	
Address	[Contractor Mailing Address]	
Contact	[Contractor Signatory Name and Title]	
Contact Email	[Contractor Signatory Email]	
Secondary Contact	[Secondary Contractor Contact, if applicable]	
Contract Term		
Start Date	[Start Date]	
Expiration Date	[End Date]	
Final End Date	[End Date plus 4 years]	
Contract Amount		
Contract Amount	[Contract Amount]	
Brief Description of Work		

[Brief Description of Work - write out abbreviations]

[Remove the note below if this is NOT a continuing services contract.]Note: For Continuing Services Contracts, work shall be assigned on a project-by-project basis according to the terms of this Contract. The Contract Amount is a not-to-exceed amount for the Contract Term. The cost of services shall be established on a project-by-project basis consistent with the terms of this Contract.

Contract Documents

- a. Formal Procurement (RFP/Bid/SOQ) No. [XXXX-XX] (the "Bid Documents") [remove if not applicable]
- b. Contractor's proposal in response to the Bid Documents (the "Proposal") [remove if not applicable]
- c. Project Details, including project-specific terms and a Scope of Work, attached as Exhibit A (the "Scope of Work") [remove if not applicable]
- d. Fee Schedule, attached as Exhibit B (the "Fee Schedule") [remove if not applicable]
- e. [add any additional documents]

AUTHORITY INTERNAL USE ONLY

Purchasing Details		
Bid Number	[XXXX-XX]	
BOCC Bid Award Date	[Date formal bid was approved by BOCC]	
Bid Process Used		
Purchasing Notes	[Document quotes obtained. Provide justification if lowest-priced vendor was not selected.]	
COVID-19 Related?	Yes/No (If Yes, Project Code)	

Contract Notes (Additional information not included above)

THIS CONTRACT ("Contract") is entered into by and between the Housing Authority of the County of Boulder, Colorado, a public body, corporate and politic ("Boulder County Housing Authority" or "Authority") and [Contractor Name] ("Contractor"). Authority and Contractor are each a "Party," and collectively the "Parties."

In consideration of the mutual covenants contained in this Contract, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

- 1. <u>Incorporation into Contract</u>: The **Details Summary** is incorporated into this Contract. The **Contract Documents** are incorporated into this Contract by reference, except to the extent that the Proposal, if any is incorporated, contains any obligations placed upon Authority and not otherwise contained in this Contract.
- 2. <u>Work to be Performed</u>: Contractor will provide all labor and equipment and do all tasks necessary and incidental to performing the work as described in the **Details Summary** and **Contract Documents** (the "Work"). Contractor will perform the Work (a) in a good and workmanlike manner, (b) at its own cost and expense, (c) in accordance with recognized industry standards of care, skill and diligence for the type of work being performed, and (d) in strict accordance with the Contract.

[For Continuing Services Contracts, use paragraph below instead. Otherwise, delete.] Authority will assign work on a project-by-project basis. Authority may enter into continuing services contracts with other contractors who will compete with Contractor to receive individual projects. Contractor will only be paid for projects awarded to Contractor through a bid process. The scope of work, cost, start date, and any other relevant project/Work details must be mutually agreed upon in writing prior to any Work commencing; such project-specific documents shall be incorporated into this Contract upon their acceptance by both Parties. Contractor acknowledges that a continuing service contract does not constitute a guarantee that Contractor will be awarded any projects or work of any kind. Upon receipt of an assignment, Contractor will provide all labor and equipment and do all tasks necessary and incidental to performing the work as described in the Details Summary, Contract Documents, and the project-specific documents mutually agreed upon in writing (the "Work"). Contractor will perform the Work (a) in a good and workmanlike manner, (b) at its own cost and expense, (c) in accordance with recognized industry standards of care, skill and diligence for the type of work being performed, and (d) in strict accordance with the Contract.

- 3. <u>Term of Contract</u>: The **Contract Term** begins on the **Start Date** and expires on the **Expiration Date**, unless terminated sooner. All the Work must be performed during the **Contract Term**.
- 4. <u>Payment for Work Performed:</u> In consideration of the Work performed by Contractor, and subject to conditions contained in this Contract, Authority will pay an amount not to exceed the **Contract Amount** to Contractor in accordance with the **Contract Documents**.
- 5. <u>Invoicing</u>: Contractor will promptly provide a copy of its Form W-9 and invoice template to Authority upon request. Contractor must submit an invoice to the Authority by the fifteenth (15th) day of the month for completion of any Work performed in the prior calendar month. All invoices submitted require the following components: Contractor's name and address (submitted W-9

address must match remit address), detailed description of services, dates of services, itemization of labor and materials costs, "Bill to: Boulder County Housing Authority" language, payment remittance address, payer, name and address, date of invoice, unique invoice number, and total amount due. Contractor must send all completed invoices to the **Invoice Contact** in the **Details Summary**. Authority may require delivery of invoices by email. Failure to submit invoices in a timely manner and in accordance with the terms of this Contract may cause a delay in payment. Authority may recoup any damages incurred because of Contractor's failure to submit invoices pursuant to the terms of this paragraph. Authority's acceptance or payment of an invoice will not constitute acceptance of any Work performed under this Contract.

- 6. <u>Extra Time to Complete the Work (Additional Time only)</u>: If Contractor cannot complete the Work by the **Expiration Date**, Contractor may request extra time to complete the Work. Authority, in its sole discretion, may grant Contractor additional time to complete the Work by sending a written notice of extension to Contractor. An extension of time to complete the Work does not entitle Contractor to additional compensation from Authority.
- 7. Extension of Contract Term (Additional Time and Work): Upon mutual agreement of the Parties, this Contract may be extended until the **Final End Date**. During any extended **Contract Term**, the terms of this Contract will remain in full force and effect, unless otherwise amended in writing by the Parties. Where the Contractor will provide additional services for additional compensation beyond the initial **Contract Amount**, the Parties must execute a written amendment before the then-current **Expiration Date**. If necessary, the written amendment will incorporate an updated Scope of Work and updated Fee Schedule as exhibits. Contractor must provide a current Certificate of Insurance to the Authority that complies with the **Insurance Requirements** of this Contract, if any, prior to any extended **Contract Term**.
- 8. <u>Schedule of Work:</u> Authority may designate the hours (on a daily or weekly basis) during which Contractor may perform the Work, strictly for the purposes of minimizing inconvenience to the Authority and interference with Authority operations. Contractor will otherwise set its own work schedule.
- 9. Indemnity: Contractor will be liable for any damages to persons or property caused by or arising out of the actions, obligations, or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents, representatives or other persons acting under Contractor's direction or control in performing or failing to perform the Work under this Contract. Contractor will indemnify and hold harmless Authority and Boulder County, its elected officials and appointed department heads, and its employees, agents and representatives (the "indemnified parties"), from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, damages, losses, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, which may be made or brought or which may result against any of the indemnified parties as a result or on account of the actions or omissions of Contractor, its employees, agents or representatives, or other persons acting under Contractor's direction or control. This indemnification obligation will extend to claims based on Contractor's unauthorized use or disclosure of confidential information and intellectual property infringement. Authority and Boulder County will not be obligated to indemnify or defend Contractor under any circumstances. Contractor's obligations under this provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract. Nothing contained in this Contract or the Contract Documents is intended to limit or restrict the indemnification rights or obligations of any Party under this provision, or damages available for breaches of the obligations herein.
- 10. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>: Contractor will comply with the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act, C.R.S. § 24-34-401, <u>et seq.</u>, as amended, and all applicable local, State and Federal laws

concerning discrimination and unfair employment practices. Authority prohibits unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, national origin, age 40 and over, disability, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, genetic information, or any other status protected by applicable Federal, State or local law. Contractor must require that its subcontractors, if any, similarly comply with all applicable laws concerning discrimination and unfair employment practices.

- 11. <u>Information and Reports</u>: Contractor will provide to authorized Authority, Boulder County, State, and Federal government representatives all information and reports that may be required for any purpose authorized by law. Contractor will permit access to such representatives to Contractor's facilities, books, records, accounts, and any other relevant sources of information. Where information required by a representative is in the exclusive possession of a person or entity other than Contractor, Contractor must so certify to the Authority and explain what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
- 12. <u>Independent Contractor</u>: Contractor is an independent contractor for all purposes in performing the Work. None of Contractor, its agents, personnel or subcontractors are employees of the Authority for any purpose, including the Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the Colorado Workers' Compensation Act, the Colorado Unemployment Insurance Act, and the Public Employees Retirement Association. Accordingly, Authority will not withhold or pay any income tax, payroll tax, or retirement contribution of any kind on behalf of Contractor or Contractor's employees. As an independent contractor, Contractor is responsible for employing and directing such personnel and agents as it requires to perform the Work. Contractor will exercise complete authority over its personnel and agents and will be fully responsible for their actions.

13. Termination

- a. <u>Breach</u>: Either Party's failure to perform any of its material obligations under this Contract, in whole or in part or in a timely or satisfactory manner, will be a breach. The institution of proceedings under any bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar law, by or against Contractor, or the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for Contractor or any of its property, which is not vacated or fully stayed within thirty (30) days after the institution of such proceeding, will also constitute a breach. In the event of a breach, the non-breaching Party may provide written notice of the breach to the other Party. If the breaching Party does not cure the breach, at its sole expense, as reasonably determined by the non-breaching Party in its sole discretion, within thirty (30) days after delivery of notice, the non-breaching Party may exercise any of its remedies provided under this Contract or at law, including immediate termination of this Contract.
- b. <u>Non-Appropriation</u>: The other provisions of this Contract notwithstanding, Authority is prohibited by law from making commitments beyond the current fiscal year. Payment to Contractor beyond the current fiscal year is contingent on the appropriation and continuing availability of funding in any subsequent year. Authority has reason to believe that sufficient funds will be available for the full **Contract Term**. Where, however, funds are not allocated for any fiscal period beyond the current fiscal year, Authority may terminate this Contract without penalty by providing seven (7) days' written notice to Contractor.
- c. <u>Convenience</u>: In addition to any other right to terminate under this Section 13, Authority may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, for any or no reason, upon seven (7) days' advance written notice to Contractor.

- 14. <u>Contractor Obligations upon Termination or Expiration</u>: By the **Expiration Date** or effective date of termination, if earlier, Contractor must (1) remove from Authority property all of its personnel, equipment, supplies, trash and any hazards created by Contractor, (2) protect any serviceable materials belonging to the Authority, and (3) take any other action necessary to leave a safe and healthful worksite. Any items remaining on Authority property after the Expiration Date or the effective date of termination, if earlier, will be deemed abandoned by Contractor.
- 15. Payable Costs in Event of Early Termination: If Authority terminates this Contract before the **Expiration Date**, Contractor's payments (and any damages associated with any lawsuit brought by Contractor) are limited to only (1) payment for Work satisfactorily executed and fully and finally completed, as determined by Authority in its sole discretion, prior to delivery of the notice to terminate, and (2) the reasonable and actual costs Contractor incurred in connection with performing the Work prior to delivery of the notice to terminate. Contractor explicitly waives all claims it may have against the Authority for any other compensation, such as anticipatory profits or any other consequential, special, incidental, punitive or indirect damages.
- 16. Remedies for Non-Performance: If Contractor fails to perform any of its obligations under this Contract, Authority may, at its sole discretion, exercise one or more of the following remedies (in addition to any other remedies provided by law or in this Contract), which shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract:
- a. <u>Suspend Performance</u>: Authority may require that Contractor suspend performance of all or any portion of the Work pending necessary corrective action specified by the Authority and without entitling Contractor to an increase in compensation or extension of the performance schedule. Contractor must promptly stop performance and incurring costs upon delivery of a notice of suspension by the Authority.
- b. <u>Withhold Payment Pending Corrections</u>: Authority may permit Contractor to correct any rejected Work at the Authority 's discretion. Upon Authority 's request, Contractor must correct rejected work at Contractor's sole expense within the time frame established by the Authority. Upon full and final completion of the corrections satisfactory to the Authority, Authority will remit payment to Contractor.
- c. <u>Deny Payment</u>: Authority may deny payment for any Work that does not comply with the requirements of the Contract or that Contractor otherwise fails to provide or fully and finally complete, as determined by the Authority in its sole discretion. Upon Authority request, Contractor will promptly refund any amounts prepaid by the Authority with respect to such noncompliant Work.
- d. <u>Removal</u>: Upon Authority 's request, Contractor will remove any of its employees or agents from performance of the Work, if Authority, in its sole discretion, deems any such person to be incompetent, careless, unsuitable, or otherwise unacceptable.
- 17. <u>Binding Arbitration Prohibited</u>: Authority does not agree to binding arbitration by any extrajudicial body or person.
- 18. <u>Conflicts of Interest</u>: Contractor may not engage in any business or personal activities or practices or maintain any relationships that conflict in any way with the full performance of Contractor's obligations.

- 19. <u>Notices</u>: All notices provided under this Contract must be in writing and sent by Certified U.S. Mail (Return Receipt Requested), electronic mail, or hand-delivery to the other Party's **Contact** at the address specified in the **Details Summary**. For certified mailings, notice periods will begin to run on the day after the postmarked date of mailing. For electronic mail or hand-delivery, notice periods will begin to run on the date of delivery.
- 20. <u>Statutory Requirements</u>: This Contract is subject to all statutory requirements that are or may become applicable to counties or political subdivisions of the State of Colorado generally, including but not limited to: C.R.S. § 38-26-107, which requires withholding funds where the Authority receives a claim for payment from a supplier or subcontractor of Contractor upon notice of final settlement (required for public works contracts that exceed \$150,000); C.R.S. § 8-17-101 et seq.; C.R.S. § 18-8-301, et seq.; and C.R.S. § 18-8-401, et seq.
- Public Contracts for Services (C.R.S. §§ 8-17.5-101, et seq.): The phrase "unauthorized 21. worker" as used in this provision shall have the same and intended meaning as "illegal alien" as such phrase is used in C.R.S. §§ 8-17.5-101, et seq. Contractor hereby certifies, warrants, and agrees that it does not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized worker who will perform work under this Contract and further certifies that it will confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform work under this Contract by participating in the E-Verify Program established under Pub. L. 104-28 or the department verification program established under C.R.S. § 8-17.5-102(5)(c). Contractor (i) shall not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized worker to perform work under this Contract; (ii) shall not enter into a contract with a subcontractor that fails to certify to the contractor that the subcontractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an unauthorized worker to perform work under this Contract; (iii) has confirmed the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform work under this Contract through participation in the E-Verify program or department program; (iv) is prohibited from using either the E-Verify program or department program procedures to undertake preemployment screening of job applicants while this Contract is being performed; and (v) shall comply with any reasonable request by the department made in the course of an investigation that the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment is undertaking pursuant to the authority established in C.R.S. § 8-17.5-102(5). If Contractor obtains actual knowledge that a subcontractor performing work under this Contract knowingly employs or contracts with an unauthorized worker, Contractor shall (a) notify the subcontractor and Authority within three (3) days that Contractor has actual knowledge that subcontractor is employing or contracting with an unauthorized worker; and (b) terminate the subcontract if, within three (3) days of receiving notice hereunder, subcontractor does not stop employing or contracting with the unauthorized worker; except that Contractor shall not terminate the contract with the subcontractor if during such three (3) days the subcontractor provides information to establish that the subcontractor has not knowingly employed or contracted with an unauthorized worker. Contractor's violation of this provision will constitute a material breach of this Contract, entitling the Authority to terminate the contract for breach. If this Contract is so terminated, Contractor shall be liable for actual and consequential damages to the Authority.
- 22. <u>Entire Agreement/Binding Effect/Amendments</u>: This Contract represents the complete agreement between the Parties and is fully binding upon them and their successors, heirs, and assigns, if any. This Contract terminates any prior agreements, whether written or oral in whole or in part, between the Parties relating to the Work. This Contract may be amended only by a written agreement signed by both Parties.

- 23. <u>Assignment/Subcontractors</u>: This Contract may not be assigned or subcontracted by Contractor without the prior written consent of the Authority. If Contractor subcontracts any of its obligations under this Contract, Contractor will remain liable to the Authority for those obligations and will also be responsible for subcontractor's performance under, and compliance with, this Contract.
- 24. <u>Governing Law/Venue</u>: The laws of the State of Colorado govern the construction, interpretation, performance, and enforcement of this Contract. Any claim relating to this Contract or breach thereof may only be brought exclusively in the Courts of the 20th Judicial District of the State of Colorado and the applicable Colorado Appellate Courts.
- 25. <u>Breach</u>: The failure of either Party to exercise any of its rights under this Contract will not be deemed to be a waiver of such rights or a waiver of any breach of the Contract. All remedies available to a Party in this Contract are cumulative and in addition to every other remedy provided by law.
- 26. <u>Severability</u>: If any provision of this Contract becomes inoperable for any reason but the fundamental terms and conditions continue to be legal and enforceable, then the remainder of the Contract will continue to be operative and binding on the Parties.
- 27. <u>Third-Party Beneficiary</u>: Enforcement of the terms and conditions and all rights and obligations of this Contract are reserved to the Parties. Any other person receiving services or benefits under this Contract is an incidental beneficiary only and has no rights under this Contract. Notwithstanding, where the beneficiary **Department** is led by an Elected Official, such Elected Official shall be considered a third-party beneficiary.
- 28. <u>Colorado Open Records Act</u>: Authority may disclose any records that are subject to public release under the Colorado Open Records Act, C.R.S. § 24-72-200.1, <u>et seq</u>.
- 29. <u>Conflict of Provisions</u>: If there is any conflict between the terms of the main body of this Contract and the terms of any of the **Contract Documents**, the terms of the main body of the Contract will control.
- 30. <u>Governmental Immunity</u>: Nothing in this Contract shall be construed in any way to be a waiver of the Authority's or Boulder County's immunity protection under the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, et seq., as amended.
- 31. Representations and Warranties: Contractor represents and warrants the following:
- a. Execution of this Contract and performance thereof is within Contractor's duly authorized powers;
 - b. The individual executing this Contract is authorized to do so by Contractor;
- c. Contractor is authorized to do business in the State of Colorado and is properly licensed by all necessary governmental and public and quasi-public authorities having jurisdiction over the Work and the Contractor; and
- d. Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, are financially solvent, able to pay all debts as they mature, and have sufficient working capital to complete the Work and perform all obligations under the Contract.
- 32. <u>Legal Compliance</u>: Contractor assumes full responsibility for obtaining and maintaining any permits and licenses required to perform the Work. Contractor is solely responsible for ensuring that its performance under this Contract and the Work itself will comply with all Federal,

State, and local laws, regulations, ordinances and codes. Authority approval of the Work or any aspect of Contractor's performance, such as plans, designs, or other Contractor-drafted documents, shall not be interpreted to mean that Contractor has satisfied its obligations under this Section.

- 33. <u>Litigation Reporting</u>: Contractor is not currently involved in any action before a court or other administrative decision-making body that could affect Contractor's ability to perform the Work. Contractor will promptly notify the Authority if Contractor is served with a pleading or other document in connection with any such action.
- 34. <u>Tax Exemption</u>: Authority is exempt from payment of Federal, State, and local government taxes. Contractor shall collect no tax from the Authority, and the Authority shall not be liable to pay any taxes imposed on Contractor. Authority shall provide its tax exemption status information to Contractor upon request.
- 35. <u>Delegation of Authority</u>: The Parties acknowledge that the Board of County Commissioners has delegated authority to the Department Head or Elected Official that leads the beneficiary **Department** and their designees to act on behalf of the Authority under the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to the authority to terminate this Contract.
- 36. Ownership of Work Product: All work product, property, data, documentation, information or materials conceived, discovered, developed or created by Contractor pursuant to this Contract ("Work Product") will be owned exclusively by the Authority. To the extent possible, any Work Product will be deemed to be a work made for hire. Contractor unconditionally and irrevocably transfers and assigns to the Authority all right, title and interest in and to any Work Product.
- 37. <u>Publicity Releases</u>: Contractor will not refer to this Contract or the Authority in commercial advertising without prior written consent of the Authority. This provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.
- 38. Execution by Counterparts; Electronic Signatures: This Contract may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original, but all of which will constitute one agreement. The Parties approve the use of electronic signatures, governed by the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, C.R.S. §§ 24 71.3 101 to 121. The Parties will not deny the legal effect or enforceability of this Contract solely because it is in electronic form or because an electronic record was used in its creation. The Parties will not object to the admissibility of this Contract in the form of electronic record, or paper copy of an electronic document, or paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, because it is not in its original form or is not an original.
- 39. <u>Limitation on Public Statements and Lobbying Activity</u>. During the term of this Contract, Contractor may receive from the Authority its confidential data, work product, or other privileged or confidential information that is protected by law. To maintain the fact and appearance of absolute objectively, Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the Authority, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, do any of the following: (a) disclose information obtained because of this contractual relationship to any third party; (b) lobby any State or Federal agency on any pending matter while this Contract is effective; or (c) make any public statements or appear at any time to give testimony at any public meeting on the subject matters regarding which Contractor is or was retained by the Authority. Authority may set reasonable conditions on any disclosure authorized by the Authority under this provision. Notwithstanding, Contractor may

make disclosures as required by law, and to law enforcement officials in connection with any criminal justice investigation.

- 40. <u>Sustainability</u>: Authority encourages Contractor to consider the procurement and use of environmentally preferable products and services while performing services under this Contract. "Environmentally preferable purchasing" means making purchasing choices for products and services that have a lesser or reduced adverse effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products and services that serve the same purpose. Environmentally preferable purchasing is consistent with the Authority's commitment to protecting our air, water, soil, and climate for current and future generations. Authority encourages Contractor to incorporate the following actions into Contractor's performance of the Work: environmentally preferable supplies and services; conservation of water; efficient energy use; waste prevention; reuse and recycle construction and de-construction materials in a manner that maximizes reuse of materials; sustainable transportation choices, including consideration to business communication software such as Skype alternative to air travel and public transit or carpooling for in-person meetings; pollution prevention; low toxicity for public health & safety; and reduced emissions to address climate change.
- 41. <u>Limitation of Liability</u>: AUTHORITY AND BOULDER COUNTY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO CONTRACTOR FOR ANY SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, OR INDIRECT DAMAGES ARISING FROM OR RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, REGARDLESS OF ANY NOTICE OF THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH DAMAGES. AUTHORITY'S AGGREGATE LIABILITY, IF ANY, ARISING FROM OR RELATED TO THIS CONTRACT, WHETHER IN CONTRACT, OR IN TORT, OR OTHERWISE, IS LIMITED TO, AND SHALL NOT EXCEED, THE AMOUNTS PAID OR PAYABLE HEREUNDER BY AUTHORITY TO CONTRACTOR. ANY CONTRACTUAL LANGUAGE LIMITING CONTRACTOR'S LIABILITY SHALL BE VOID.
- 42. <u>Legal Interpretation</u>. Each Party recognizes that this Contract is legally binding and acknowledges that it has had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel of its choice about this Contract. The rule of construction providing that any ambiguities are resolved against the drafting Party will not apply in interpreting the terms of this Contract.
- 43. <u>No Suspension or Debarment</u>: Contractor certifies, and warrants for the Contract Term, that neither it nor its principals nor any of its subcontractors are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this Contract by any Federal or State department or agency. Contractor shall comply, and shall require its subcontractors to comply, with subpart C of 2 C.F.R. § 180.
- 44. <u>COVID-19 Vaccine Requirement for Certain Contractors/Vendors/Subrecipients of the County</u>: On September 28, 2021, the Boulder County Board of Commissioners adopted a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy that applies to, as relevant here, all employees of independent contractors of the county that perform county work in a county facility. For purposes of this policy, "perform work in a county facility" means any employee of an independent contractor that routinely performs more than fifteen (15) hours per month of county work that takes place in or on a county facility/property. Under the county's COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy, these individuals are required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine unless a reasonable accommodation based on medical reasons or due to a sincerely held religious belief is requested and approved. The policy requires that, by December 1, 2021, all individuals to which the policy applies must be fully vaccinated and submit proof of vaccination or have an approved reasonable accommodation in place. Therefore, beginning December 1, 2021, any employees of Contractor/Vendor/Subrecipient that perform

county work in a county facility must be in compliance with the County's vaccine requirement policy unless Contractor/Vendor/Subrecipient can show proof that it is in compliance with its own COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy or is required by local, state, or federal law or regulation to be compliant with a COVID-19 vaccine requirement policy.

- 45. <u>Insurance:</u> Prior to commencing the Work, Contractor will provide a Certificate of Insurance to the Authority demonstrating adequate insurance coverage as required by this Section. All policies evidencing coverage required by the Contract will be issued by insurance companies satisfactory to the Authority. Contractor will forward Certificates of Insurance directly to <a href="https://doi.org/10.1036/jnsurance-new-montracts-new-
- a. Boulder County Housing Authority as Additional Insured: Boulder County Housing Authority, Boulder County, the State of Colorado, Aspinwall LLC, Josephine Commons LLC, MFPH Acquisitions LLC, Kestrel I, LLC and Tungsten Village LLC shall be named as an additional insured for General Liability, Umbrella/Excess Liability, and Pollution Liability, as designated in this Contract. Additional insured shall be endorsed to the policy.

THE ADDITIONAL INSURED WORDING SHOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: Housing Authority of the County of Boulder, Colorado, a public body, corporate and politic; County of Boulder, State of Colorado, a body corporate and politic; the State of Colorado; Aspinwall, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company; Josephine Commons, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company; Kestrel I, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company, and Tungsten Village, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company, are named as Additional Insured.

*Include those properties that are relevant to the contract. If it is possible that the contractor will do work at all sites, include all.

- b. <u>Notice of Cancellation</u>: Each insurance policy required by this Contract shall provide the required coverage and shall not be suspended, voided or canceled except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice has been given to the Authority except when cancellation is for non-payment of premium, then ten (10) days' prior notice may be given. If any insurance company refuses to provide the required notice, Contractor or its insurance broker shall notify the Authority any cancellation, suspension, or nonrenewal of any insurance policy within seven (7) days of receipt of insurers' notification to that effect.
- c. <u>Insurance Obligations of Authority</u>: Authority is not required to maintain or procure any insurance coverage beyond the coverage maintained by the Authority in its standard course of business. Any insurance obligations placed on the Authority in any of the **Contract Documents** shall be null and void.
- d. <u>Deductible</u>: Any and all deductibles contained in any insurance policy shall be assumed by and at the sole risk of Contractor.
- e. <u>Primacy of Coverage</u>: Coverage required of Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, shall be primary over any insurance or self-insurance program carried by the Authority.
- f. <u>Subrogation Waiver</u>: All insurance policies in any way related to this Contract secured or maintained by Contractor as required herein shall include clauses stating that each carrier shall waive all rights of recovery, under subrogation or otherwise, against Authority, its organizations, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers.

g. <u>Requirements</u>: For the entire duration of this Contract including any extended or renewed terms, and longer as may be required by this Contract, Contractor shall procure and maintain at its own expense, and without cost to the Authority, the following kinds and minimum amounts of insurance to insure the liability risks that Contractor has assumed under this Contract:

i. Commercial General Liability

Delete Instruction: Non-Construction contracts use the following language:

This coverage should be provided on an Occurrence Form, ISO CG001 or equivalent, with Minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products Completed Operations Aggregate.

Delete Instruction: Construction Contracts only – include the following paragraph: Coverage should be provided on an Occurrence form, ISO CG0001 or equivalent. The policy shall be endorsed to include Additional Insured Owners, Lessees or Contractors endorsements CG 2038 (or equivalent), Designated Construction Project(s) General Aggregate Endorsement CG2503 (or equivalent) and Additional Insured Completed Operations for Owners, Lessees or Contractors CG 2037 (or equivalent). Minimum limits required of \$1,000,000 Each Occurrence, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate and \$2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations Aggregate. The Authority requires the Products/Completed Operations coverage to be provided 3 years after completion of construction. An endorsement must be included with the certificate.

ii. Automobile Liability

Bodily Injury and Property Damage for any owned, hired, and non-owned vehicles used in the performance of the Contract. Minimum limits \$1,000,000 Each Accident.

iii. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability

Workers' Compensation must be maintained with the statutory limits. Employer's Liability is required for minimum limits of \$100,000 Each Accident/\$500,000 Disease-Policy Limit/\$100,000 Disease-Each Employee.

iv. Umbrella / Excess Insurance

Umbrella/Excess Liability insurance in the amount \$[X],000,000.00, following form.

v. **Professional Liability (Errors and Omissions)**

Delete Instruction: All contractors required to be professionally certified by the State of Colorado (i.e., architects, engineers, doctors, nurses, etc.) and/or any consultants whose errors in judgment, planning, design, etc. could result in economic loss to the County must provide proof of professional liability coverage. This also applies to anyone managing or overseeing construction.

Professional liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 Per Loss and \$1,000,000 Aggregate. Professional Liability provisions indemnifying for loss and expense resulting from errors, omission, mistakes or malpractice is acceptable and may be written on a claims-made basis. The contractor warrants that any retroactive date under the policy shall precede the effective date of this Contract; and that either continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of two (2) years beginning at the time work under this Contract is completed.

vi. **Pollution Liability**

Delete Instruction: This coverage is required whenever work under the contract involves pollution risk to the environment or losses caused by pollution conditions (including asbestos) that may arise from the operations of the Contractor described in the Contractor's scope of services.

Coverage pay for those sums the Contractor becomes legally obligated to pay as damages because of Bodily Injury, Property Damage or environmental Damage arising out of a pollution incident caused by the Contractor's work including Completed Operations. Coverage shall include emergency response expenses, pollution liability during transportation (if applicable) and at Non-Owned Waste Disposal Site (if applicable). The Minimum limits required are \$1,000,000 Per Occurrence/Loss and \$1,000,000 Policy Aggregate. If the coverage is written on a claims-made basis, the Contractor warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the effective date of this Contract; and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of three (3) years beginning from the time that work under this contract is completed. Authority shall be named as an additional insured for ongoing operations and completed operations.

Delete Instruction: Crime / Third Party Fidelity Covers the contractor and the contractor's employees when engaged in work for a client on behalf of the County. This coverage is for employee dishonesty, theft, embezzlement, forgery and alteration. Coverage is required when the contractor will be handling money or collecting fees on behalf of the County or when the contractor has access to client's personal property and/or documentation

The Crime limit shall be \$1,000,000 Per Loss and include an endorsement for "Employee Theft of Client Property". In order to provide coverage to Authority during the course of this contract, Commercial Crime policies must be endorsed to cover Third Party Fidelity. Third party fidelity covers the vendor's employees when engaged in work for a client. In addition, the Authority will be listed as loss payee on the commercial crime coverage. This third-party coverage can also be provided by obtaining a third-party fidelity bond.

46. <u>Incorporation of Funding Source Terms and Conditions:</u> The terms and conditions of the award letter dated [Date] from [Granting Entity] to the Authority, including all express or implied requirements pursuant to state or Federal regulations contained therein, are hereby incorporated into this Contract and are applicable to the Contractor as if to the Authority.

[Signature Page to Follow]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed and entered into this Contract as of the latter date indicated below.

SIGNED for and on behalf of Contractor	
Signature:	Date:
Name:	Title:
SIGNED for and on behalf of Boulder County Housing Authority	
Signature:	Date:
Name:	Title:
Attester Signature:	Date:
Name:	Title:
Approved as to Content and Form:	Date:

Exhibit A Scope of Work

Enter scope of work here.

Exhibit B Fee Schedule

Enter fee schedule or budget here. Rename exhibit if necessary (remember to rename the exhibit on page 1).