



**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) GREENWAY FACILITY RENOVATION
PROJECT OFFICE FURNITURE**

<u>Sequence of Events</u>	<u>Date</u>
Request for Proposal Issued	September 7, 2022
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SECTION 1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (SCOPE) & SPECIFICATIONS

BACKGROUND

The Macatawa Area Express (MAX) is a small urban transit system that has operated fixed bus routes and demand response service since 2000. The system is governed by an independent Authority formed under Public Act 196 on July 1, 2007, when the City of Holland transferred oversight to the Authority Board. MAX operates 11 fixed routes and demand-response services within the City of Holland, Holland Charter Township, the City of Zeeland, and Park Township, with limited service provided to Zeeland Charter Township. MAX currently employs 75 staff members.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION (SCOPE)

MAX is requesting a proposal for the cost to provide and install on the 2nd floor all requested workspace of their Greenway Operations facility at 11660 Greenway Avenue, Holland, MI., in accordance with the specifications and terms and conditions set forth in this Request for Proposal (RFP).

PROJECT BACKGROUND

In December 2021, Contractor was selected to oversee the 2nd floor renovation at the MAX Transit Greenway Operations facility, once completed the 6 offices and a lounge area will need new / remanufactured office furniture based on this RFP.

PROJECT SUMMARY

Second Floor Office Renovation New / Remanufactured Office, Conference Room, and Lounge Area Furniture

Upon completion of the upstairs offices MAX Transportation Authority will add the following office, conference room, and lounge seating area furniture.

- Furniture / Seating for 6 enclosed offices
- Furniture / Seating for lounge area
- Furniture / Seating for conference room



SECTION 2

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

1. Proposal must be received by the due date specified in this RFP.
2. This RFP does not commit MAX to award a contract.
3. MAX is not responsible for any costs associated with preparing responses to this RFP.
4. The selected "Contractor" throughout this RFP, agrees to and acknowledge all specifications, terms, and conditions, and indicates ability to perform by submission of its proposal.
5. Submitted proposal shall be valid for at least thirty days (30 Days)

REQUIREMENTS

6. Shop drawings for desks and workstations must be included with the bid submission and must be representative of the exact product included in the proposal to be considered for award.
7. Vendor shall be responsible for removal from the premises of all packing material, other debris and garbage associated with their work. All work areas shall be left broom clean. Vendor shall remove all debris and garbage daily, without exception. If a Vendor does not comply with this requirement, Owner shall have the right to deduct such costs associated with having to complete this task.
8. Any damage to adjacent or surrounding surfaces that the Vendor causes must be repaired to the satisfaction of Owner at the Vendor's expense. Vendor shall schedule any repair work through Owner.
9. Warranty: At a minimum, Vendor agrees that the warranty on the Furniture, options, accessories, and installation of work will be for the specified duration identified on the specification sheets. During this warranty period, Vendor agrees to maintain the Furniture in original operating condition and at original performance levels, as applicable. This includes the cost of all parts and labor unless the need for parts or labor was caused directly by negligence or abuse on Owner's part.
10. Life Expectancy: Useful life expectancy is defined as the length of time after installation that the Furniture, with proper service, and within normal downtime limits, is expected to operate at original manufacturer's specifications. The Vendor shall state in their bid a guaranteed useful life expectancy for their Furniture (each line item); and in doing so, the Vendor agrees to, at a minimum, make available and to provide Owner or its agents with adequate, high-quality service and factory-approved repair parts, at fair market prices, for the duration of the stated life expectancy
11. Finish and Fabric Samples - Vendor shall submit finish and fabric samples ("Samples") as specified. All Samples shall be submitted to the MAX, no later than five (10) business days after notice of intent to award.

PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS

Contractor must include the minimum information in their response to this RFP.

1. **The following completed/signed forms and certifications, the forms for which are included in this Request for Proposal:**
 - a. **Certification Regarding Debarment & Suspension**
 - b. **Acknowledgement Form for Terms & Conditions and FTA Required Clauses**



SECTION 3

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

OCCUPANCY OF FACILITY: Project work will be completed while the facility remains occupied and open for business from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. At no time shall this project interfere with MAX's daily operations. Contractor is required to describe any potential work disruptions to the office staff or bus operations and how this will be minimized.

REMOVAL & DISPOSAL BOXES AND MATERIALS: Contractor is responsible for the removal, transportation and disposal of all boxes, materials, and garbage. Any related costs must be included in the proposal during the negotiation stage.

DURATION OF PROJECT & AGREEMENT: Once contractor submits their proposal and it awarded the 2nd floor renovation for new / refurbished office, lounge, and conference room furniture, MAX will enter price and work completion timeline negotiations with the Contractor. The project will commence with MAX's Notice of Award/Notice to Proceed.

PROJECT CHANGES: Additions, deletions or modifications to this project and agreement may be made only with written agreement between MAX and Contractor.

DISPUTES: Except as otherwise provided in this agreement, any dispute concerning a question of fact arising under the agreement which is not disposed of by agreement shall be decided by MAX, which shall put its decision in writing and mail or otherwise furnish a copy to the firm. In connection with any appeal proceeding under this clause, the Contractor shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard and to offer evidence in support of its appeal. Pending final decision of a dispute thereunder, the Contractor shall proceed diligently in accordance with the project agreement and in accordance with MAX's decision.

This clause does not preclude consideration of law questions in connection with decisions provided for in this clause, if nothing in this agreement shall be construed as making final the decision of an administrative official, representative or board on a question of law.

INDEMNIFICATION: The Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold MAX, its officers, agents, employees and /or trustees, harmless from and against all claims or causes of action brought against MAX and from all damages, losses, expenses, attorney fees, costs and liabilities sustained by the MAX arising out of any claimed defect in the goods and services provided by the firm. The Contractors' obligation under this paragraph shall include the obligation to indemnify and hold the MAX harmless for negligence, whether active, passive, or concurrent, in the performance of MAX's duties and obligations pursuant to this project and agreement.

COVENANT AGAINST GRATUITIES: The Contractor warrants that he/she has not offered or given gratuities (in the form of entertainment, gifts or otherwise) to any official or employee of the MAX with a view toward securing favorable treatment in the awarding, amending, or evaluating this project and agreement.

ASSIGNABILITY RIGHTS: The Bidder shall not assign this contract-wholly or in part-without the



written consent of the Macatawa Area Express. No assignment shall relieve the Contractor of any obligations under the contract.

LIABILITY INSURANCE: The Contractor shall maintain such insurance as will protect it from claims under Worker's Compensation Acts and other employee benefit acts; from claims for damages because of bodily injury, including death, to its employees and all others and from claims for damages to property; any and all of which may arise out of result from the Contractors operations under this agreement, or from any subcontractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them.

LICENSING & PERMITTING: Contractor will file any permitting, as required, for this project.

CONTRACT TERM: The contract between the MAX and the Contractor shall become effective upon signing and shall remain in force until completion of the project, or until notice of termination in writing is given by the other party as provided herein. MAX reserves the right to terminate the contract at any time if the successful bidder fails to meet requirements.

The contract shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation at such time as appropriated and otherwise unobligated funds are no longer available to satisfy the obligations under this contract.

WRITTEN STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: MAX employees, officers, agents (e.g. City of Holland) or other appointed agents acting on behalf of MAX's interest, immediate family members, and committee or Board members are prohibited from: participating in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by FTA funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent is involved; and soliciting or accepting gifts, gratuities, favors or anything of consequential value from current or potential contractors or parties to sub agreements that could influence purchasing decisions. MAX employees or agents with a potential conflict of interest shall remove themselves from the procurement in question.

TAXES: MAX is exempt from taxes; however, the Contractor shall pay all taxes required by law. MAX cannot exempt others from tax.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: The Contractor will comply with all State, Federal, and local laws, and regulations.

CANCELLATION FOR CAUSE: If either party shall refuse, fail, or be unable to perform or observe any of the terms or conditions of the contract for any reason, then the party claiming such failure shall give the other party a written notice of such breach. If, within thirty (30) days from such notice, the failure has not been corrected, the injured party may cancel the contract effective thirty (30) days after notice of cancellation.

MAX reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately if the Contractor discontinues or abandons operations; is adjudged bankrupt or is reorganized under any bankruptcy law; or fails to keep in force any required insurance policies or bonds.

Failure of the firm to comply with any section or part of the contract will be considered grounds for immediate termination of the contract by the MAX without penalty to MAX. MAX shall pay for services rendered up to the point of termination.



Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the contract between the MAX and the firm, the MAX may, without prejudice to any other rights it may have, terminate the contract for convenience and without cause, by giving thirty (30) days written notice to Contractor. If the termination clause is used by the MAX, the firm will be paid by the MAX for all scheduled work completed satisfactorily by the firm up to the termination date set forth in the written termination notice.

CONDITION OF MATERIALS: It is understood and agreed that materials delivered shall be new, remanufactured of latest design, and in first quality condition, unless specified otherwise.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE), EEO AND NON-DISCRIMINATION:

MAX seeks and encourages DBE participation on projects and contracts that use federal funds that have an established DBE goal. MAX is an Equal Opportunity Employer, and does not discriminate based on race, religion, color, sex, national origin, age, or disability. The Contractor is required to disclose any sub-contracts for this project that will be completed by certified DBE firms.

WRITTEN PROTEST PROCEDURES: protests must be made in writing and submitted to MAX Authority at its Administrative Offices at 171 Lincoln Ave., Ste 20, Holland Mi 49423. The written protest must clearly articulate the procedure or decision being protested and the reason(s) for the protest. All protests must be filed within 10 business days of the MAX Authority Board decision. The Executive Director or designee will review the written protest and provide a written response to the protestor.

The protestor can appeal MAX's decision/response to the MAX Authority Board, provided that the appeal is filed with the Executive Director or designee within ten (10) business days of MAX's decision.

In the event of an appeal, the MAX Authority Board will make the final decision on the protest. All protests will be forwarded to the Federal Transit Administration for its information.

PROJECT COORDINATION: The Contractor shall employ and assign only qualified and competent personnel to perform any service or task involved in this project. The firm shall designate one such person as a Project Manager, and the Project Manager shall be deemed to be the Contractors authorized representative, who shall be authorized to receive and accept all communications from the MAX. The MAX shall name a Project Manager who shall be authorized to generate, receive, and accept communication as an authorized representative of the MAX. The Contractor hereby agrees to replace any personnel or sub-contractor, at no cost or penalty to the MAX, if the MAX reasonably determines that the performance of any sub-contractor or personnel is unsatisfactory.

ACCURACY OF WORK: The Contractor shall be responsible for the accuracy of the work performed and shall promptly correct its errors and omissions without additional compensation. Acceptance of the work by the MAX will not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility for subsequent correction of errors, the clarification of any ambiguities, or the costs associated with any additional work caused by negligent acts, errors, or omissions by the Contractor or latent defects in the products sold by the Contractor.

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS: The initial contract and any continuation contract(s) shall terminate immediately and absolutely at any such time as there are no appropriated and otherwise unencumbered funds available to satisfy the MAX's obligations under said contract(s).



DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE: By submission of a Bid, the Contractor certifies that the provisions "Drug-free Workplace Act", have been complied with in full. The Contractor further certifies that:

1. A drug-free workplace will be provided for the Contractor's employees during performance of the contract; and
2. Each Contractor who hires a sub-contractor to work in a drug-free workplace shall secure from that sub-contractor the following written certification:
3. As part of the subcontracting agreement with (Contractor's name), (Sub-contractor's name) certifies to the Contractor that a drug-free workplace will be provided for the sub-contractor's employees during the performance of this Contract pursuant to Paragraph (7) of Sub-section (b) of Code Section S0-24-3".
4. The Contractor further certifies that he will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, sale, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance or marijuana during the performance of the Contract.

PAYMENT TERMS: Payment shall be made at the end of each project, within 30 days of the submittal of a correct invoice for goods received or work performed. If applicable, expenses shall be billed at cost without markup, and must be supported by actual receipts.

RFP CONSTITUTES BINDING CONTRACT: Contractor will be required to execute a contract with the MAX based on a negotiated price and related terms and those terms set forth in this RFP. Any changes to the terms or requirements of this Contract must be documented in the Award of Contract/Notice to Proceed.



SECTION 4

FEDERAL TRANIST ADMINISTRATION

REQUIRED CLAUSES

1. **CARGO PREFERENCE REQUIREMENTS**

46 u.s.c. 1241

46 CFR Part 381

Applicability to Contracts

The Cargo Preference requirements apply to all contracts involving equipment, materials, or commodities which may be transported by ocean vessels.

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The Cargo Preference requirements apply to all subcontracts when the subcontract may be involved with the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

Model Clause/Language

The MARAD regulations at 46 CFR 381.7 contain suggested contract clauses. The following language is proffered by FTA.

Cargo Preference - Use of United States-Flag Vessels - The contractor agrees: a. to use privately owned United States-Flag commercial vessels to ship at least 50 percent of the gross tonnage (computed separately for dry bulk carriers, dry cargo liners, and tankers) involved, whenever shipping any equipment, material, or commodities pursuant to the underlying contract to the extent such vessels are available at fair and reasonable rates for United States-Flag commercial vessels; b. to furnish within 20 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating within the United States or within 30 working days following the date of loading for shipments originating outside the United States, a legible copy of a rated, "on-board" commercial ocean bill-of-lading in English for each shipment of cargo described in the preceding paragraph to the Division of National Cargo, Office of Market Development, Maritime Administration, Washington, DC 20590 and to the FTA recipient (through the contractor in the case of a subcontractor's bill of lading.) c. to include these requirements in all subcontracts issued pursuant to this contract when the subcontract may involve the transport of equipment, material, or commodities by ocean vessel.

2. **ENERGY CONSERVATION REQUIREMENT**

42 U.S.C. 6321 et seq.

49 CFR Part 18

Applicability to Contracts

The Energy Conservation requirements are applicable to all contracts.

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The Energy Conservation requirements extend to all third-party contractors and their contracts at every tier and subrecipients and their sub agreements at every tier.

Model Clause/Language

No specific clause is recommended in the regulations because the Energy Conservation requirements are so dependent on the state energy conservation plan. The following language has been developed by FTA:

Energy Conservation - The contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act.

3. ACCESS TO RECORDS AND REPORTS

49 U.S.C. 5325

18 CFR 18.36 (i)

49 CFR 633.17

Applicability to Contracts

Reference Chart "Requirements for Access to Records and Reports by Type of Contracts"

Flow Down

FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

Model Clause/Language

The specified language is not mandated by the statutes or regulations referenced, but the language provided paraphrases the statutory or regulatory language.

Access to Records - The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract:

1. Where the Purchaser is not a State but a local government and is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 18.36(i), the Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions. Contractor also agrees, pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 633.17 to provide the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives including any PMO Contractor access to Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311.

2. Where the Purchaser is a State and is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 C.F.R. 633.17, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator or his authorized representatives, including any PMO Contractor, access to the Contractor's records and construction sites pertaining to a major capital project, defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1, which is receiving federal financial assistance through the programs described at 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5309 or 5311. By definition, a major capital project excludes contracts of less than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$100,000.

3. Where the Purchaser enters into a negotiated contract for other than a small purchase or under the simplified acquisition threshold and is an institution of higher education, a hospital or other non-profit organization and is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49



C.F.R. 19.48, Contractor agrees to provide the Purchaser, FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States or any of their duly authorized representatives with access to any books, documents, papers and record of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts and transcriptions.

4. Where any Purchaser which is the FTA Recipient or a sub-grantee of the FTA Recipient in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5325(a) enters into a contract for a capital project or improvement (defined at 49 U.S.C. 5302(a)1) through other than competitive bidding, the Contractor shall make available records related to the contract to the Purchaser, the Secretary of Transportation and the Comptroller General or any authorized officer or employee of any of them for the purposes of conducting an audit and inspection.

5. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

6. The Contractor agrees to maintain all books, records, accounts and reports required under this contract for a period of not less than three years after the date of termination or expiration of this contract, except in the event of litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract, in which case Contractor agrees to maintain same until the Purchaser, the FTA Administrator, the Comptroller General, or any of their duly authorized representatives, have disposed of all such litigation, appeals, claims or exceptions related thereto. Reference 49 CFR 18.39(i)(11).

7. FTA does not require the inclusion of these requirements in subcontracts.

4. FEDERAL CHANGES **49 CFR Part 18**

Applicability to Contracts

The Federal Changes requirement applies to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Federal Changes requirement flows down appropriately to each applicable changed requirement.

Model Clause/Language

No specific language is mandated. The following language has been developed by FTA.

Federal Changes - Contractor shall always comply with all applicable FTA regulations, policies, procedures, and directives, including without limitation those listed directly or by reference in the Master Agreement between Purchaser and FTA, as they may be amended or promulgated from time to time during the term of this contract. Contractor's failure to so comply shall constitute a material breach of this contract.

5. RECYCLED PRODUCTS

42 U.S.C. 6962



40 CFR Part 247

Executive Order 12873

Applicability to Contracts

The Recycled Products requirements apply to all contracts for items designated by the EPA, when the purchaser or contractor procures \$10,000 or more of one of these items during the fiscal year or has procured \$10,000 or more of such items in the previous fiscal year, using Federal funds. New requirements for "recovered materials" will become effective May 1, 1996. These new regulations apply to all procurement actions involving items designated by the EPA, where the procuring agency purchases \$10,000 or more of one of these items in a fiscal year, or when the cost of such items purchased during the previous fiscal year was \$10,000.

Flow Down

These requirements flow down to all to all contractor and subcontractor tiers.

Model Clause/Language

No specific clause is mandated, but FTA has developed the following language.

Recovered Materials - The contractor agrees to comply with all the requirements of Section 6002 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 6962), including but not limited to the regulatory provisions of 40 CFR Part 247, and Executive Order 12873, as they apply to the procurement of the items designated in Subpart B of 40 CFR Part 247.

6. NO GOVERNMENT OBLIGATION TO THIRD PARTIES

Applicability to Contracts

Applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

Not required by statute or regulation for either primary contractors or subcontractors, this concept should flow down to all levels to clarify, to all parties to the contract, that the Federal Government does not have contractual liability to third parties, absent specific written consent.

Model Clause/Language

While no specific language is required, FTA has developed the following language.

No Obligation by the Federal Government.

(1) The Purchaser and Contractor acknowledge and agree that, notwithstanding any concurrence by the Federal Government in or approval of the solicitation or award of the underlying contract, absent the express written consent by the Federal Government, the Federal Government is not a party to this contract and shall not be subject to any obligations or liabilities to the Purchaser, Contractor, or any other party (whether or not a party to that contract) pertaining to any matter resulting from the underlying contract.



(2) The Contractor agrees to include the above clause in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clause shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to its provisions.

**7. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT
STATEMENTS AND RELATED
ACTS**

**31 U.S.C. 3801 et seq.
49 CFR Part 3118 U.S.C. 1001
49 u.s.c. 5307**

Applicability to Contracts

These requirements are applicable to all contracts.

Flow Down

These requirements flow down to contractors and subcontractors who make, present, or submit covered claims and statements.

Model Clause/Language

These requirements have no specified language, so FTA proffers the following language.

Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.

(1) The Contractor acknowledges that the provisions of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986, as amended, 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq. and U.S. DOT regulations, "Program Fraud Civil Remedies," 49 C.F.R. Part 31, apply to its actions pertaining to this Project. Upon execution of the underlying contract, the Contractor certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of any statement it has made, it makes, it may make, or causes to be made, pertaining to the underlying contract or the FTA assisted project for which this contract work is being performed. In addition to other penalties that may be applicable, the Contractor further acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification, the Federal Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act of 1986 on the Contractor to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(2) The Contractor also acknowledges that if it makes, or causes to be made, a false, fictitious, or fraudulent claim, statement, submission, or certification to the Federal Government under a contract connected with a project that is financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance originally awarded by FTA under the authority of 49 U.S.C. § 5307, the Government reserves the right to impose the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 49 U.S.C. § 5307(n)(l) on the Contractor, to the extent the Federal Government deems appropriate.

(3) The Contractor agrees to include the above two clauses in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA. It is further agreed that the clauses shall not be modified, except to identify the subcontractor who will be subject to the provisions.

8. **TERMINATION**
49 U.S.C. Part 18
FTA Circular 4220.IE

Applicability to Contracts

All contracts (except for contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher education,) more than \$10,000 shall contain suitable provisions for termination by the grantee including how it will be affected and the basis for settlement. (For contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher education the threshold is \$100,000.) In addition, such contracts shall describe conditions under which the contract may be terminated for default as well as conditions where the contract may be terminated because of circumstances beyond the control of the contractor.

Flow Down

The termination requirements flow down to all contracts more than \$10,000, except for contracts with nonprofit organizations and institutions of higher learning.

Model Clause/Language

FTA does not prescribe the form or content of such clauses. The following are suggestions of clauses to be used in different types of contracts:

a. Termination for Convenience (General Provision) The (Recipient) may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, at any time by written notice to the Contractor when it is in the Government's best interest. The Contractor shall be paid its costs, including contract close-out costs, and profit on work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to (Recipient) to be paid the Contractor. If the Contractor has any property in its possession belonging to the (Recipient), the Contractor will account for the same, and dispose of it in the manner the (Recipient) directs.

b. Termination for Default [Breach or Cause] (General Provision) If the Contractor does not deliver supplies in accordance with the contract delivery schedule, or, if the contract is for services, the Contractor fails to perform in the manner called for in the contract, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of the contract, the (Recipient) may terminate this contract for default. Termination shall be affected by serving a notice of termination on the contractor setting forth the way the Contractor is in default. The contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in the contract.

If it is later determined by the (Recipient) that the Contractor had an excusable reason for not performing, such as a strike, fire, or flood, events which are not the fault of or are beyond the control of the Contractor, the (Recipient), after setting up a new delivery of performance schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.

c. Opportunity to Cure (General Provision) The (Recipient) in its sole discretion may, in the case of a termination for breach or default, allow the Contractor [an appropriately short period of time] in which



to cure the defect. In such case, the notice of termination will state the time in which cure is permitted and other appropriate conditions

If Contractor fails to remedy to (Recipient)'s satisfaction the breach or default of any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Contract within [ten (10) days] after receipt by Contractor of written notice from (Recipient) setting forth the nature of said breach or default, (Recipient) shall have the right to terminate the Contract without any further obligation to Contractor. Any such termination for default shall not in any way operate to preclude (Recipient) from also pursuing all available remedies against Contractor and its sureties for said breach or default.

d. Waiver of Remedies for any Breach In the event that (Recipient) elects to waive its remedies for any breach by Contractor of any covenant, term, or condition of this Contract, such waiver by (Recipient) shall not limit (Recipient)'s remedies for any succeeding breach of that or of any other term, covenant, or condition of this Contract.

e. Termination for Convenience (Professional or Transit Service Contracts) The (Recipient), by written notice, may terminate this contract, in whole or in part, when it is in the Government's interest. If this contract is terminated, the Recipient shall be liable only for payment under the payment provisions of this contract for services rendered before the effective date of termination.

f. Termination for Default (Supplies and Service) If the Contractor fails to deliver supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the (Recipient) may terminate this contract for default. The (Recipient) shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for supplies delivered and accepted, or services performed in accordance with the manner or performance set forth in this contract.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Recipient.

g. Termination for Default (Transportation Services) If the Contractor fails to pick up the commodities or to perform the services, including delivery services, within the time specified in this contract or any extension or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the (Recipient) may terminate this contract for default. The (Recipient) shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of default. The Contractor will only be paid the contract price for services performed in accordance with the manner of performance set forth in this contract.

If this contract is terminated while the Contractor has possession of Recipient goods, the Contractor shall, upon direction of the (Recipient), protect and preserve the goods until surrendered to the Recipient or its agent. The Contractor and (Recipient) shall agree on payment for the preservation and protection of goods. Failure to agree on an amount will be resolved under the Dispute clause.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been

issued for the convenience of the (Recipient).

h. Termination for Default (Construction) If the Contractor refuses or fails to prosecute the work or any separable part, with the diligence that will ensure its completion within the time specified in this contract or any extension or fails to complete the work within this time, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any other provisions of this contract, the (Recipient) may terminate this contract for default. The (Recipient) shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature of the default. In this event, the Recipient may take over the work and complete it by contract or otherwise, and may take possession of and use any materials, appliances, and plant on the work site necessary for completing the work. The Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for any damage to the Recipient resulting from the Contractor's refusal or failure to complete the work within specified time, whether the Contractor's right to proceed with the work is terminated. This liability includes any increased costs incurred by the Recipient in completing the work.

The Contractor's right to proceed shall not be terminated nor the Contractor charged with damages under this clause if-

1. the delay in completing the work arises from unforeseeable causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Examples of such causes include acts of God, acts of the Recipient, acts of another Contractor in the performance of a contract with the Recipient, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes; and
2. the contractor, within [10] days from the beginning of any delay, notifies the (Recipient) in writing of the causes of delay. If in the judgment of the (Recipient), the delay is excusable, the time for completing the work shall be extended. The judgment of the (Recipient) shall be final and conclusive on the parties, but subject to appeal under the Disputes clauses.

If, after termination of the Contractor's right to proceed, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Recipient.

i. Termination for Convenience or Default (Architect and Engineering) The (Recipient) may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the Recipient's convenience or because of the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations. The (Recipient) shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall (1) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise), and (2) deliver to the Contracting Officer all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries, and other information and materials accumulated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.

If the termination is for the convenience of the Recipient, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price but shall allow no anticipated profit on unperformed services.

If the termination is for failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations, the Recipient may complete the work by contract or otherwise and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost



incurred by the Recipient.

If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations, it is determined that the Contractor was not in default, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the Recipient.

j. Termination for Convenience of Default (Cost-Type Contracts) The (Recipient) may terminate this contract, or any portion of it, by serving a notice of termination on the Contractor. The notice shall state whether the termination is for convenience of the (Recipient) or for the default of the Contractor. If the termination is for default, the notice shall state the way the contractor has failed to perform the requirements of the contract. The Contractor shall account for any property in its possession paid for from funds received from the (Recipient), or property supplied to the Contractor by the (Recipient). If the termination is for default, the (Recipient) may fix the fee, if the contract provides for a fee, to be paid the contractor in proportion to the value, if any, of work performed up to the time of termination. The Contractor shall promptly submit its termination claim to the (Recipient) and the parties shall negotiate the termination settlement to be paid the Contractor.

If the termination is for the convenience of the (Recipient), the Contractor shall be paid its contract close-out costs, and a fee, if the contract provided for payment of a fee, in proportion to the work performed up to the time of termination.

If, after serving a notice of termination for default, the (Recipient) determines that the Contractor has an excusable reason for not performing, such as strike, fire, flood, events which are not the fault of and are beyond the control of the contractor, the (Recipient), after setting up a new work schedule, may allow the Contractor to continue work, or treat the termination as a termination for convenience.

9. SAFE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

23 USC 402

Executive Order No. 13043

Executive Order No. 13513

US DOT Order No. 3902.10

Applicability to Contracts

The Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles requirements apply to all federally funded third party contracts. In compliance with Federal Executive Order No. 13043, "Increasing Seat Belt Use in the United States," April 16, 1997, 23 U.S.C. Section 402 note, FTA encourages each third-party contractor to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company owned, rented, or personally operated vehicles, and to include this provision in each third-party subcontract involving the project. Additionally, recipients are required by FTA to include a Distracted Driving clause that addresses distracted driving, including text messaging in each of its third-party agreements supported with Federal assistance.

Flow Down Requirements

The Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles requirements flow down to all third-party contractors at every tier.

Model Clause/Language



There is no required language for the Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles clause. Recipients can draw on the following language for inclusion in their federally funded procurements.

Safe Operation of Motor Vehicles

Seat Belt Use

The Contractor is encouraged to adopt and promote on-the-job seat belt use policies and programs for its employees and other personnel that operate company-owned vehicles, company-rented vehicles, or personally operated vehicles. The terms "company-owned" and "company-leased" refer to vehicles owned or leased either by the Contractor or AGENCY.

Distracted Driving

The Contractor agrees to adopt and enforce workplace safety policies to decrease crashes caused by distracted drivers, including policies to ban text messaging while using an electronic device supplied by an employer, and driving a vehicle the driver owns or rents, a vehicle Contractor owns, leases, or rents, or a privately-owned vehicle when on official business in connection with the work performed under this agreement.

10. GOVERNMENT-WIDE DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION NONPROCUREMENT

Background and Applicability

In conjunction with the Office of Management and Budget and other affected Federal agencies, DOT published an update to 49 CFR Part 29 on November 26, 2003. This government-wide regulation implements Executive Order 12549, *Debarment and Suspension*, Executive Order 12689, *Debarment and Suspension*, and 31 U.S.C. 6101 note (Section 2455, Public Law 103-355, 108 Stat. 3327).

The provisions of Part 29 apply to all grantee contracts and subcontracts at any level expected to equal or exceed \$25,000 as well as any contract or subcontract (at any level) for Federally required auditing services. 49 CFR 29.220(b). This represents a change from prior practice in that the dollar threshold for application of these rules has been lowered from \$100,000 to \$25,000. These are contracts and subcontracts referred to in the regulation as "covered transactions."

Grantees, contractors, and subcontractors (at any level) that enter covered transactions are required to verify that the entity (as well as its principals and affiliates) they propose to contract or subcontract with is not excluded or disqualified. They do this by (a) Checking the Excluded Parties List System, (b) Collecting a certification from that person, or (c) Adding a clause or condition to the contract or subcontract. This represents a change from prior practice in that certification is still acceptable but is no longer required. 49 CFR 29.300.

Grantees, contractors, and subcontractors who enter covered transactions also must require the entities they contract with to comply with 49 CFR 29, subpart C and include this requirement in their own subsequent covered transactions (i.e., the requirement flows down to subcontracts at all levels).



Clause Language

The following clause language is suggested, not mandatory. It incorporates the optional method of verifying that contractors are not excluded or disqualified by certification.

Suspension and Debarment

This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 49 CFR Part 29. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals, as defined at 49 CFR 29.995, or affiliates, as defined at 49 CFR 29.905, are excluded, or disqualified as defined at 49 CFR 29.940 and 29.945. The contractor is required to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C and must include the requirement to comply with 49 CFR 29, Subpart C in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into. By signing and submitting its bid or proposal, the bidder or proposer certifies as follows:

The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact relied upon by MAX. If it is later determined that the bidder or proposer knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to remedies available to MAX, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 49 CFR 29, Subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

11. PRIVACY ACT 5 u.s.c. 552

Applicability to Contracts

When a grantee maintains files on drug and alcohol enforcement activities for FTA, and those files are organized so that information could be retrieved by personal identifier, the Privacy Act requirements apply to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Federal Privacy Act requirements flow down to each third-party contractor and their contracts at every tier.

Model Clause/Language

The text of the following clause has not been mandated by statute or specific regulation but has been developed by FTA.

Contracts Involving Federal Privacy Act Requirements - The following requirements apply to the Contractor and its employees that administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government under any contract:

(1) The Contractor agrees to comply with, and assures the compliance of its employees with, the information restrictions and other applicable requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974,



5 U.S.C. § 552a. Among other things, the Contractor agrees to obtain the express consent of the Federal Government before the Contractor, or its employees operate a system of records on behalf of the Federal Government. The Contractor understands that the requirements of the Privacy Act, including the civil and criminal penalties for violation of that Act, apply to those individuals involved, and that failure to comply with the terms of the Privacy Act may result in termination of the underlying contract.

(2) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract to administer any system of records on behalf of the Federal Government financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA.

12. CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS

29 u.s.c. § 623, 42 u.s.c. § 2000

42 u.s.c. § 6102, 42 u.s.c. § 12112

42 u.s.c. § 12132, 49 u.s.c. § 5332

29 CFR Part 1630, 41 CFR Parts 60 et seq.

Applicability to Contracts

The Civil Rights Requirements apply to all contracts.

Flow Down

The Civil Rights requirements flow down to all third-party contractors and their contracts at every tier.

Model Clause/Language

The following clause was predicated on language contained at 49 CFR Part 19, Appendix A, but FTA has shortened the lengthy text.

Civil Rights - The following requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(1) Nondiscrimination - In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d, section 303 of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6102, section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. § 12132, and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age, or disability. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with applicable Federal implementing regulations and other implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(2) Equal Employment Opportunity - The following equal employment opportunity requirements apply to the underlying contract:

(a) Race. Color. Creed. National Origin. Sex - In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e, and Federal transit laws at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable equal employment opportunity requirements of U.S. Department of Labor (U.S. DOL) regulations, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor," 41 C.F.R. Parts 60 et seq., (which implement Executive Order No.



11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order No. 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," 42 U.S.C. § 2000e note), and with any applicable Federal statutes, executive orders, regulations, and Federal policies that may in the future affect construction activities undertaken in the course of the Project. The Contractor agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(b) Age - In accordance with section 4 of the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § § 623 and Federal transit law at 49 U.S.C. § 5332, the Contractor agrees to refrain from discrimination against present and prospective employees for reason of age. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(c) Disabilities - In accordance with section 102 of the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12112, the Contractor agrees that it will comply with the requirements of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, "Regulations to Implement the Equal Employment Provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act," 29 C.F.R. Part 1630, pertaining to employment of persons with disabilities. In addition, the Contractor agrees to comply with any implementing requirements FTA may issue.

(3) The Contractor also agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FTA, modified only if necessary to identify the affected parties.

13. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)
49 CFR Part 26

Background and Applicability

The newest version on the Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program became effective July 16, 2003. The rule provides guidance to grantees on the use of overall and contract goals, requirement to include DBE provisions in subcontracts, evaluating DBE participation where specific contract goals have been set, reporting requirements, and replacement of DBE subcontractors. Additionally, the DBE program dictates payment terms and conditions (including limitations on retainage) applicable to all subcontractors regardless of whether they are DBE firms or not.

The DBE program applies to all DOT-assisted contracting activities. A formal clause such as that below must be included in all contracts above the micro-purchase level. The requirements of clause subsection b flow down to subcontracts.

A substantial change to the payment provisions in this newest version of Part 26 concerns retainage (see section 26.29). Grantee choices concerning retainage should be reflected in the language choices in



clause subsection d.

Clause Language

The following clause language is suggested, not mandatory. It incorporates the payment terms and conditions applicable to all subcontractors based in Part 26 as well as those related only to DBE subcontractors. The suggested language allows for the options available to grantees concerning retainage, specific contract goals, and evaluation of DBE subcontracting participation when specific contract goals have been established.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises

a. This contract is subject to the requirements of Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, *Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Department of Transportation Financial Assistance Programs*. The national goal for participation of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) is 10%. The agency's overall goal for DBE participation is **0.25%**. A separate contract goal **has not** been established for this procurement.

b. The contractor shall not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contract. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as MAX deems appropriate. Each subcontract the contractor signs with a subcontractor must include the assurance in this paragraph (see 49 CFR 26.13(b)).

The successful bidder/offeror will be required to report its DBE participation obtained through race-neutral means throughout the period of performance.

c. The contractor is required to pay its subcontractors performing work related to this contract for satisfactory performance of that work no later than 30 days after the contractor's receipt of payment for that work from the MAX.

d. The contractor must promptly notify MAX, whenever a DBE subcontractor performing work related to this contract is terminated or fails to complete its work and must make good faith efforts to engage another DBE subcontractor to perform at least the same amount of work. The contractor may not terminate any DBE subcontractor and perform that work through its own forces or those of an affiliate without prior written consent of MAX.

14. INCORPORATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TERMS

FTA Circular 4220.IE

Applicability to Contracts

The incorporation of FTA terms applies to all contracts.

Flow Down

The incorporation of FTA terms has unlimited flow down.



Model Clause/Language

FTA has developed the following incorporation of terms language:

Incorporation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Terms - The preceding provisions include, in part, certain Standard Terms and Conditions required by DOT, whether expressly set forth in the preceding contract provisions. All contractual provisions required by DOT, as set forth in FTA Circular 4220.IE, are hereby incorporated by reference. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, all FTA mandated terms shall be deemed to control in the event of a conflict with other provisions contained in this Agreement. The Contractor shall not perform any act, fail to perform any act, or refuse to comply with any MAX requests which would cause MAX to be in violation of the FTA terms and conditions.

15. PROMPT PAYMENT

Applicability to Contracts

All contracts except micro-purchases (\$10,000 or less, except for construction contracts over \$2,000)

The prime contractor agrees to pay each subcontractor under this prime contract for satisfactory performance of its contract no later than 30 days from the receipt of each payment the prime

contractor receives from the Recipient. The prime contractor agrees further, to return retainage payments to each subcontractor within 30 days after the subcontractor's work is satisfactorily completed. Any delay or postponement of payment from the above referenced time frame may occur only for good cause following written approval of the Recipient. This clause applies to both DEBE and non-DBE subcontractors.



SECTION 5

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

As required by U.S. Department of Transportation regulations on Government and Suspension at 49 CFR 29.510, the Contractor certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

- (1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this bid or proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or state anti-trust statutes; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- (3) Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, state, or local) with the commission of any of the offenses listed in paragraph (2) of this certification.
- (4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this contract had one or more public transactions (Federal, state, or local) terminated for cause of default.

The contractor certifies that if it becomes aware of any later information that contradicts the statements of paragraphs (1) through (4) above, it will promptly inform FTA. Should the contractor be unable to certify to the statements of paragraphs (1) through (4) above, it shall acknowledge on its signature page and provide a written explanation to FTA.

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Date and Signature of Authorized Representative



SECTION 6
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM
FOR TERMS & CONDITIONS
AND REQUIRED FTA CLAUSES

I have received, read, understand, and agree to comply with the Terms & Conditions and the Required FTA Clauses included in the Macatawa Area Express Transportation Authority's Request for Proposal (RFP) that was issued **March 9, 2022**.

I understand that failure to acknowledge or comply with any of these terms, conditions, or requirements will deem our firm unresponsive to this RFP or result in our default of the contract after its execution.

Date _____

Printed Name of Authorized Representative

Signature of Authorized Representative

Name of Firm _____

Address, City, State, Zip Code

Phone Number and e-mail address