INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by County Auditor Becky Weston, at 427 St. George Street, Suite 302, Gonzales, Texas 78629, until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 11, 2019, for the purchase of Flexible Base Materials, Bid #20-3570 for Precinct 1, Precinct 2, Precinct 3, and Precinct 4.

The bids will be publicly opened in the third floor conference room of the Randle Rather Building, 427 St. George Street at 10:00 a.m. on September 11, 2019. This is a one year contract, the term is October 1, 2019 until September 30, 2020. All bids must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked with Bid Name and Opening Date in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

Specifications may be obtained from the County Auditor's Office and on the county's web site at www.co.gonzales.tx.us. Bids received after the time and date specified in the specifications will not be considered.



OPENING DATE: September 11, 2019

BID NUMBER 20-3570

SEALED BIDS, SUBJECT TO THE PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS HERETO ATTACHED, FOR FLEXIBLE BASE MATERIAL IS BEING ACCEPTED.

BY SUBMITTING A BID, VENDOR HEREBY AGREES TO ALL OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE BID DOCUMENTS, AND TO ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT.

OCTOBER 1, 2019 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

Legal Name Of Contracting Company		
Federal I.D.# (Company Or Corporation)	Social Security # (Individual)	
Telephone Number	Facsimile Number	
Contact Person	Title	
Complete Mailing Address	City & State	Zip
Complete Street Address	City & State	Zip

BID SUBMISSIONS

DEADLINE

Bids must be received in the County Auditor's office by 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. Bids will be publicly opened at 10:00 am or soon thereafter in the Gonzales County Randle Rather Building Conference Room, Third Floor, 427 Saint George Street, Gonzales, Texas 78629. Late bids will not be accepted under any circumstances!

SUBMITTAL

Completed Bid Proposals, <u>original and one (1) copy</u>, must be in a sealed envelope clearly marked with "FLEXIBLE BASE MATERIALS BID", "BID NUMBER 20-3570", and "September 11, 2019" written in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope containing the bid.

PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Proprietary information, if any, submitted to Gonzales County in response to this Bid should be identified as such. Any information identified as proprietary will be handled in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Records Public Information Act as it applies to such information.

ADDRESS

Sealed bids may be hand-delivered or mailed to the County Auditor Becky Weston, Gonzales County Randle Rather Building, 427 Saint George, Suite 302, Gonzales, Texas 78629.

METHODS

All bids must be returned in a sealed envelope with the bid name, number, opening date and time clearly marked on the outside. If an overnight delivery service is used, the bid name, number, opening date and time must be clearly marked on the <u>outside of the delivery service envelope</u>. Facsimile and electronic mail transmittals are <u>not</u> acceptable.

WITHDRAWAL OR ALTERATIONS OF BID

Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the official opening. Alterations made before opening time must be initialed by bidder guaranteeing authenticity. After the official opening, bids may not be amended, altered or withdrawn without the recommendation of the County Auditor and the approval of the Commissioners' Court.

TAX EXEMPT STATUS

The County is exempt from Federal Excise and State Sales Tax; therefore, tax must not be included in this bid.

BID REQUIREMENTS

COMPLETED BID

A completed proposal means an original bid and one (1) copy must be submitted of each of the following: The Vendor Identification page, the Bid Submission Form, the Contract page, the Affidavit, the Sworn Verification of Statements and the Conflict of Interest Questionnaire. Each of these must be COMPLETED AND SIGNED.

ADDENDA AND EXPLANATIONS

Explanations required by a prospective bidder shall be requested of the County in writing, and if explanations are necessary, a reply shall be made in the form of an Addendum, a copy of which will be forwarded to each bidder. Every request for such explanation shall be in writing addressed to Becky Weston, County Auditor, 427 Saint George Street, Suite 302, Gonzales, Texas 78629.

Any verbal statements regarding same by a person prior to the award shall not be authoritative and or binding.

Addenda issued to bidders prior to date of receipt of bids shall become part of the contract documents, and all bids shall include the work described in the Addendum.

Inquiries within five (5) working days of the date fixed for the submission and opening of the bids will not be given consideration.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AMENDMENTS

Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to the solicitation by signing and returning the amendment with the bid, by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose, or by letter. The acknowledgement must be received by Gonzales County by the time and at the place specified for receipt of bids.

LEGIBILITY

Bids must be legible and of a quality that can be reproduced.

BID MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED IN INK

All entries must be TYPED OR PRINTED IN INK. Faxed bids will not be accepted.

FORMS

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid document. Changes to the bid forms made by bidders shall disqualify the bid. Bids cannot be altered or amended after the submission deadline.

GOVERNING FORMS

In the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of these requirements and the specifications, the specifications shall govern. In the event of any conflict of interpretation of any part of this overall document, Gonzales County's interpretation shall govern.

LATE BIDS

Bids received after submission deadline will not be opened and will be considered void and unacceptable. Gonzales County is not responsible for lateness of mail, courier service, etc.

RESPONSIBILITY

A prospective bidder must affirmatively demonstrate bidder's responsibility. A prospective bidder must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Have adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources as required,
- 2. Be able to comply with the required or proposed delivery schedule,
- 3. Have a satisfactory record of performance, and
- 4. Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award.

Gonzales County may request representation and other information sufficient to determine the bidder's ability to meet these minimum standards listed above.

AWARD

CONTRACT PERIOD

The contract period is from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

In accordance with Local Government Code §271.905, if a local government receives one or more bids from a bidder whose principle place of business is in the County and whose bid is within three percent of the lowest bid price received by the County from a bidder who is not a resident of the County, the County may enter into a contract with: (1) the lowest bidder; or (2) the bidder whose principal place of business is in the local government if the governing body of the local government determines, in writing, that the local bidder offers the local government the best combination of contract price and additional economic development opportunities for the local government created by the contract award, including the employment of residents of the local government and increased tax revenues to the local government. This section does not prohibit a local government from rejecting all bids.

FIRM PRICING

All of the items listed are to be on a "per unit" basis, stating a firm price per unit. This price must be good for the entire period of the contract period. Bids which do not state a fixed price, or which are subject to change without notice, will not be considered.

ESTIMATED QUANTITIES

The estimated quantity of each item listed in the invitation to bid is only an estimate – the actual quantities to be purchased may be more or less. Gonzales County is not obligated to purchase any minimum amount, and may purchase any reasonable amount greater than the estimate for the same unit price.

ORDERING

All items will be ordered on an "as needed" basis.

AVAILABILITY

It is expressly understood and agreed that in case Gonzales County should need any item(s) not available within the time frame needed from the successful vendor(s) during the term of this contract, the County reserves the right to purchase the item(s) from other than the successful vendor(s) and shall not be in violation of any terms or conditions of said contract.

LOCATION

For items included on this bid that are not delivered, location will be an important factor in the evaluation of bids. Distance will be reviewed both from the aspect of potential projects for the County for the upcoming year and for the distance to the Precinct locations within the County.

SALES TAX

Gonzales County is, by statute, exempt from the State Sales Tax and Federal Excise Tax.

CONTRACT

This Bid, when properly accepted by Gonzales County, shall constitute a contract equally binding between the successful bidder and Gonzales County. The successful bidder may be required to sign an additional agreement containing terms necessary to ensure compliance with the bid.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Criteria utilized by Gonzales County for determining the lowest responsible bidder includes, but is not limited to, bidder meeting the County's published specifications, bidder's experience, skill, ability, business judgment, financial capacity, integrity, honesty, possession of the necessary facilities or equipment, previous performance, reputation, promptness, and any factor which could reasonably be asserted as being relevant to successful performance. The County reserves the right to award this contract to the lowest and best bidder(s) in a specific area or areas based on the most convenient location(s) for the using department.

As stated in the Local Government Code, §262.027 (e), "... the commissioners court may consider the pickup and delivery locations of the bidders and the cost to the county of delivering or hauling the material to be purchased. The commissioners court may award contracts for the purchase of road construction material to more than one bidder if each of the selected bidders submits the lowest and best bid for a particular location or type of material".

REJECTION OR ACCEPTANCE

A primary, secondary, and/or tertiary award may be made for this bid. Items may be awarded in total or in part at the sole discretion of the County. Bids may be rejected for some items or areas, even though awards are made for others. The convenience of having a single source for similar items will be taken into consideration together with price in determining the lowest and best bid.

It is understood that the Commissioners Court of Gonzales County, Texas, reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids for any or all materials and/or services covered in this bid request, and to waive informalities or defects in the bid or to accept such bid it shall deem to be in the best interest of Gonzales County.

DISQUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS

Although not intended to be an exhaustive list of causes for disqualification, any one or more of the following causes, among others, may be considered sufficient for the disqualification of a bidder and the rejection of this bid:

- Evidence of collusion among bidders
- Lack of competency
- · Lack of responsibility as shown by past record
- Default on a previous county contract for failure to perform

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

Under this contract, Gonzales County Judge, David Bird, shall be the contract administrator with designated responsibility to ensure compliance with contract requirements, such as but not limited to, acceptance, inspection and delivery. The contract administrator will serve as liaison between Gonzales County Commissioner's Court and the successful bidder.

SPECIFICATIONS

Gonzales County is accepting bids for Flexible Base Materials. The bids for the various material types are being solicited in two categories as follows:

- 1. Picked up FOB at your plant by our trucks
- 2. Delivered by your trucks throughout the county, bid by delivered ton including material.

ITEMS TO BE BID:	APPROXIMATE ANNUAL USAGE:
Crushed Stone, 3/4" to Dust (Flexible Base)	0
Crushed Stone, 1 3/4" to Dust (Flexible Base)	49,086 TONS
Type A, Grade 2 City Base (Limestone)	130 TONS
Grade 3 Paving Rock	0
Grade 4 Paving Rock	0
Grade 3 Pre-coat (Type PB)	510 TONS
Grade 4 Pre-coat (Type PB)	563 TONS
3/8" Gravel	422 TONS
3" Minus Base (Crushed Rock)	22,241 TONS
Hot-Mix Cold-Laid, Type D	91 TONS
3"x5" Oversize Bull Rock	3,580 TONS

Quantities used will vary. The above shows approximate annual usage, however no stipulated usage can be demanded by supplier.

PRODUCTS MUST MEET TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SPECIFICATIONS Note the following specifications for base and asphalt:

1. Crushed stone shall meet TX DOT Specs. Item 247 Type A 1995.

MINIMUM DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS

Delivery of material ordered shall commence within seventy-two (72) hours of order being placed, unless a later delivery time is requested. Orders placed on Thursday are not required to be delivered until the following Monday, at the earliest. Delivery shall be made during routine business hours (7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) Once delivery of product has started it must continue until all product is delivered, Gonzales County will not accept partial deliveries unless specified at time order is placed.

A packing / delivery ticket or invoice shall accompany each shipment and shall show:

- 1. Name and address of vendor
- 2. Name and address of receiving department
- 3. Description of material shipped, including item numbers, quantities, number of containers and package number, if any
- 4. Signature of county employee accepting delivery

TESTING

Testing may be performed at the request of Gonzales County anytime during the length of the contract through an independent testing laboratory. Testing may be requested by the County on any and/or all items on this contract. If the results do not meet specifications, then the cost of the test will be absorbed by the successful bidder. If the results of the test meet specifications, then the cost will be borne by the County.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No public official or employee shall have interest in this contract in accordance with V.T.C.A., Local Government Code §171.002 and §171.003. A conflict of interest questionnaire shall be filled out in accordance with Local Government Code §176.

Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code requires a vendor who enters or seeks to enter into a

contract for the sale or purchase of real property, goods, or services with a local governmental entity or local government officer thereof to file a conflict of interests disclosure questionnaire with the governmental entity prescribed.

A Conflict of Interest Questionnaire Form (CIQ) must be submitted with the bid submission.

CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES (FORM 125): In 2015, the Texas Legislature adopted House Bill 1295, which added section 2252.908 of the Government Code. The law states that a governmental entity or state agency may not enter into certain contracts with a business entity unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties to the governmental entity or state agency at the time the business entity submits the signed contract to the governmental entity or state agency.

The Texas Ethics Commission adopted rules and requires online filing of Form 1295 through their Website..

The completed form, which will include a unique certification number, must be returned to the Auditor's Office, 427 Saint George, Suite 302, Gonzales, Texas, prior to the start of the contract.

Information regarding how to complete the online form is available at:;

https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/whatsnew/elf_info_form1295.htm

TEXAS HOUSE BILL 89 – PROHIBITION ON INVESTMENT IN COMPANIES THAT BOYCOTT ISRAEL: During the 85th Texas Legislative Session, a new state law went into effect with the passing of House Bill 89. Texas Government Code, Chapter 2270.002, states a government may not enter into a contract with a company for goods or services unless the contract contains written verification from the company that is 1) does not boycott Israel and 2) will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract. Bidder must complete form certifying that they are in compliance with these requirements.

Prohibition on contracts with companies boycotting Israel per Texas Government Code, Chapter 2270.001, Definitions:

- 1. "Boycott Israel" has the meaning assigned by Section 808.001.
- 2. "Company" has the meaning assigned by Section 808.001.
- 3. "Government entity" has the meaning assigned by Texas Government Code, Section 2251.001.

TEXAS SENATE BILL 252 - PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH A COMPANY DOING BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR A FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION:

During the 85th Texas Legislative Session, a new state law went into effect with the passing of Senate Bill 252. Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252.152, states a government <u>may not</u> enter into a contract with companies engaged in active business operations with Sudan, Iran, a foreign terrorist organization or a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Texas Government Code Section 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153. Bidder must complete form certifying that they are in compliance with these requirements.

Prohibition on contracts with certain companies per Texas Government Code 2252.151 Definitions:

- 1. "Company" has the meaning assigned by Section 806.001.
- 2. "Foreign terrorist organization" means an organization designated as foreign terrorist organization by the United Stated Secretary of State as authorized by 8 U.S.C. Section 1189.
- 3. "Government contract: means a contract awarded by a government entity for general construction, an improvement, a service, or a public works project for purchase of supplies, materials, or equipment. The term includes a contract to obtain a professional or consulting service subject to Texas Government Code Chapter 2254.
- 4. "Government entity" has a meaning assigned by Texas Government Code, Section 2252.001.

Section 2252.152 – Contracts with companies engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or foreign terrorist organization prohibited. A government may not enter into a governmental contract with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under Section 806.051, 807.051. or 2252.153

Section 2252.153 – Listed Companies. The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts shall prepare and maintain, and make available to each governmental entity, a list of companies known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to a foreign terrorist organization.

ETHICS

The bidder shall not accept or offer gifts or anything of value nor enter into any business agreement with any employee, official or agent of Gonzales County.

DOCUMENTATION

Bidder shall provide with this bid response, all documentation required by this bid. Failure to provide this information may result in rejection of the bid.

TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

Gonzales County reserves the right to enforce the performance of this contract in any manner prescribed by law or deemed to be in the best interest of the County in the event of breach or default of this contract. Non-Performance of the bidder shall be a basis for termination of the contract by the County. The County shall not pay for any commodities/services that are unsatisfactory.

Vendors will be given a reasonable opportunity before termination to correct the deficiencies. This, however, shall in no way be construed as negating the basis for termination for non-performance.

FORCE MAJURE

Neither party shall be responsible for delays caused by "Acts of God", non-county governmental processes, national emergency or any other causes beyond their reasonable control. Upon the discovery of such an event, the affected party shall notify the other and arrange a meeting to propose a program for a solution to the problem and if necessary, to establish an estimated period of time of suspension or extension of the work.

CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT

Either party may terminate this contact with 60 (sixty) days written notice. Written notice to the County must be sent by certified mail to Patrick C. Davis, County Judge, 414 Saint Joseph Street, Suite 200, Gonzales, Texas 78629. Written notice to the Vendor must be sent by certified mail to name and address submitted in the invitation to bid.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

The successful bidder shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

INVOICING

Invoices shall be sent directly to the Gonzales County, Attention: Accounts Payable, 427 Saint George Street, Suite 303, Gonzales, Texas 78629. Payments will be processed within thirty (30) days after receipt of invoice or items, whichever is later. Invoices must be itemized and must reference the Gonzales County Contract Number 20-3570 in order to be processed for payment.

PAYMENT

Payment shall be made by check from the County upon satisfactory completion and acceptance of items and submission of the invoice. Payment inquiries should be directed to Accounts Payable at 830-519-4550.

ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT

The successful vendor may not assign, sell or otherwise transfer this contract without written permission of the Gonzales County Commissioners Court.

SILENCE OF SPECIFICATIONS

The apparent silence of these specifications as to any detail, or the apparent omission from it of a detailed description concerning any point, shall be regarded as meaning that only the best commercial practice is to prevail and that only material and workmanship of the finest quality are to be used. All interpretations of these specifications shall be made on the basis of this statement

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Contractor shall indemnify and hold Gonzales County harmless from all claims for personal injury, death and / or property damage arising from any cause whatsoever, resulting directly or indirectly from contractor's performance. Contractor shall procure and maintain, with respect to the subject matter of this proposal, appropriate insurance coverage including, as a minimum, public liability and property damage with adequate limits to cover contractor's liability as may arise directly or indirectly from work performed under terms of this proposal. Certification of such coverage must be provided to the County upon request.

NON-COLLUSION

The Vendor, by submitting a signed bid, certifies that the accompanying bid is not the result of, or affected by, any unlawful act of collusion with any other person or company engaged in the same line of business or commerce, or any other fraudulent act punishable under Texas or United States law.

COST DISCUSSIONS

Prior to the public opening, all bids will remain sealed at the County. During this period, any discussion by any Vendor with any employee or authorized representative of the County involving cost information may result in rejection of said bid.

NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Vendor, during the performance of this contract, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, sex, national origin or disability.

BID SUBMISSION FORM

All bids shall be submitted on the attached Bid Submission Form. Bids not submitted on this form will be disqualified. This is a Competitive Bid – changes shall not be made to the Bid Form. Alterations to this bid form may be cause for rejection.

NOTHING ADDED TO BID

Nothing shall be added to this bid. Unsolicited attachments will be removed and discarded at opening and will have no bearing on the bid, price, specifications or any other terms of the contract.

TIE BIDS

In the event of a tie bid, the award will be determined by the Commissioner's Court or by drawing lots.

WAIVER OF SUBROGATION

By virtue of acceptance of this contract, both contractor and insurance carrier waive any and all rights whatsoever with regard to subrogation against Gonzales County as an indirect party to any suit arising out of personal or property damages resulting from contractor's performance under this agreement.

SUSPENSION, DEBARMENT, AND TERRORISM

Vendor certifies that the vendor and its principals are eligible to participate in this transaction and have not been subjected to suspension, debarment, or similar ineligibility determined by any Federal, State or Local Government Entity and that Vendor is in compliance with the State of Texas Statutes and Rules relating to Procurement and that Vendor is not listed on the Federal Government's Terrorism Watch list in Executive order 13224.

CITIZENSHIP OF EMPLOYEES

The Bidder warrants, by execution of this Bid proposal, that it has complied with all federal laws and requirements therefore regarding immigration and citizenship, and that all employees are qualified as required therein.

QUESTIONS REGARDING BID DOCUMENTS

Questions concerning this bid should be directed to the County Auditor, Becky Weston, at 830-672-6397.

GONZALES COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT IN PART OR IN WHOLE ANY BIDS SUBMITTED, AND TO WAIVE ANY TECHNICALITIES FOR THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY.

DO NOT SIGN OR SUBMIT WITHOUT READING ENTIRE DOCUMENT.

BID SUBMISSION FORM

I,, representing the firm of, do hereby agree to supply Flexible Base Materials to Gonzales County, for the period between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020, as per the attached bid specifications. Inclusive, in accordance with the requirements set forth in the bid specifications. My bid prices, per ton are as follows:		
	PRICE PER TON FOB PLANT (OUR TRUCK)	DELIVERED PRICE PER TON (INCLUDING PRODUCT)
Crushed Stone, 3/4" to Dust (Flexible Base)		
Crushed Stone, 1 3/4" to Dust (Flexible Base)		
Type A, Grade 2 City Base (Limestone)		
Grade 3 Paving Rock		
Grade 4 Paving Rock		
Grade 3 Pre-coat (Type PB)		
Grade 4 Pre-coat (Type PB)		
3/8" Gravel		
3" Minus Base (Crushed Rock)		
Hot-Mix Cold-Laid, Type D		
3"x5" Oversize Bull Rock		
3/8" Minus in accordance with Tex-200-F, Part I & certify compliance of the RAS with DMS-11000 "Evaluating and Using Nonhazardous Recyclable Materials Guidelines"		
SIGNATURE OF INDIVIDUAL REPRESENTING BIDDING FIRM	DATE	

GONZALES COUNTY FLEXIBLE BASE MATERIALS CONTRACT

ANNUAL CONTRACT

The undersigned agrees, if this bid is accepted, to furnish any and all items upon which prices are offered, at the price(s) and upon the terms and conditions contained in the specifications.

The County reserves the right to accept or reject any bids submitted, and to waive any technicalities in the best interest of the County.

The undersigned, by his/her signature, affirms and represents that he/she is duly authorized to execute this contract and bind the bidder to fully comply with terms and conditions of the attached documents for the amount(s) shown on the accompanying bid sheets. Further, the undersigned affirms and represents that this bid has not been prepared in collusion with any other bidder, and that the contents of this bid have not been communicated to any other bidder prior to the official opening of this bid.

By signing below, you affirm that you have read the entire document and agree to the terms therein.

Signature of Person Author	ized to Sign Bid:	Date	
Printed Name and Title of S	Signer:		
Mailing Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
E-mail:	Phone No.:	Fax	: No.:
Physical location of plant w	here materials can be picked	up:	
The Commissioners Court	of Gonzales County, Texas do	oes hereby agree to p	ourchase Flexible Base Material
fromin accordance wi	th the requirements set forth i	n the bid specification	, 2019 and September 30, 2020 s.
PASSED THIS DAY	' OF	, 2019.	
APPROVED:		ATTEST:	
PATRICK C. DAVIS, COU	NTY JUDGE	LONA ACKMAN, O	COUNTY CLERK

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF GONZALES

BEFORE ME, the u	ndersigned authority, on this	day personally appeared	
	_known to me to be the per	son whose name is subsc	ribed to the following, who
upon oath, says:			
which this affidavit is attach this same line of business,	ry or other agent or officer or ed, and I have full knowledge and the Bidder is not a memi to influence any person to bid	e of the relations of the Bio per of any trust, pool or co	dder with the other firms in,
	ler has not given, offered to g e employment, gift, loan, gra he submitted bid.	•	·
	Affia	nt	
	RIBED BEFORE ME by the a true and correct, this		
	Notary Public i	n and for	County, Texas
Name of Bidder:			
Signed by:			
Title:			
Date:			

NOTE: BIDS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY THIS AFFIDAVIT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

The County of Gonzales does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age and disability in employment or the provision of services.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST		FORM CIQ
This questionnaire reflects changes made to the	is law by H.B. 23, 84th Log., Regular Session.	OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with 0 has a business relationship as defined by Section vendor meets requirements under Section 178.006(s	Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a vendor who 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entity and the i).	Date Received
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the record than the 7th business day after the date the vendor to filed. See Section 176.008(a-1), Local Government (is administrator of the local governmental entity not later secomes aware of facts that require the statement to be code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	violates Section 176.006, Local Government Code. An	
1 Name of vendor who has a business relation	onship with local governmental entity.	
completed questionnaire with the appr	fate to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law re opriate filing authority not later than the 7th busines filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)	is day after the date on which
3 Name of local government officer about wi	nom the information is being disclosed.	
	Name of Officer	
officer, as described by Section 176.003(a	ness relationship with the local government offi (2)(A). Also describe any family relationship wit syment or business relationship described. Attac	h the local government officer.
A. Is the local government offi other than investment income,	cer or a family member of the officer receiving or I from the vendor?	ikely to receive taxable income,
Yes	No	
B. Is the vendor receiving or like of the local government officer local governmental entity?	ely to receive taxable income, other than investmen or a family member of the officer AND the taxable	t income, from or at the direction income is not received from the
Yes	No No	
Describe each employment or business other business entity with respect to with ownership interest of one percent or mo	relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 m nich the local government officer serves as an o ore.	naintains with a corporation or officer or director, or holds an
Check this box if the vendor has given as described in Section 176.003(ven the local government officer or a family member a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.	of the officer one or more gifts 003(a-1).
7		
Signature of vendor doing business wi	th the governmental endity	Date
Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission	www.ethics.state.tx.us	Revised 11/30/2015

BID NO. 20-3570

Form provided by Texas Ethics Commission

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

Acomplete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a): "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
 - (2) the vendor:
 - (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
 - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed;
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 - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the
 - (B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:
 - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
 - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:
 - (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
 - (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
 - (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.
- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filled with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
 - (1) the date that the vendor:
 - (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity: or
 - (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or
 - (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
 - (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
 - (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
 - (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.

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SWORN VERIFICATION OF STATEMENT REGARDING:

ISRAEL BOYCOTT

AND

PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH A COMPANY DOING BUSINESS WITH IRAN, SUDAN, OR A FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION

By signing below, you affirm that you have the authorization to make the statements below for the Company submitting this bid. You affirm that you are fully aware of the facts stated in this statement.

In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2270.002, this company does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of this contract.

In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2252.152, this company does not engage in active business operations with Sudan, Iran, a foreign terrorist organization or a company that is identified on divestment statute lists prepared and maintained by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Signature of Person Authorized to Sign Contract:	Date	
Printed Name and Title of Signer:		
Name of Company:		

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Local Government Code, Sec. 154.025. DISBURSEMENTS TO PERSONS WITH OUTSTANDING DEBT PROHIBITED. (a) In this section, "debt" includes delinquent taxes, fines, fees, and indebtedness arising from written agreements with the county.

- (b) If notice of indebtedness has been filed with the county auditor and county treasurer evidencing the indebtedness of a person to the state, the county, or a salary fund, a warrant may not be drawn on a county fund in favor of a person, or an agent or assignee of a person, until:
- (1) the county treasurer, or the county auditor in a county without a county treasurer, notifies in writing the person owing the debt that the debt is outstanding; and
 - (2) the debt is paid.
- (c) A county may apply any funds the county owes a person to the outstanding balance of debt for which notice is made under Subsection (b)(1), if the notice includes a statement that the amount owed by the county to the person may be applied to reduce the outstanding debt.
- (d) A county may include a notice in its forms, bonds, or other agreements stating that the county may offset payments to a person in accordance with this section.

IMPORTANT

BIDDER'S / PROPOSER'S CHECKLIST

Check off each of the following as the necessary action is completed.

Opening date

]	The prices have been checked.
[]	The VENDOR IDENTIFICATION has been completed and included in your bid package. (Page 1)
[].	The BID SUBMISSION FORM has been completed, signed, dated and included in your bid package. (Page 11)
[]	The CONTRACT with the County Commissioners has been completed, signed, dated and included in your bid package. (Page 12)
[]	The AFFIDAVIT signed and notarized and included in your bid package. (Page 13)
[]	The CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESSIONAIRE has been completed, signed, dated and included in your bid package. (Page 14-15)
[]	The SWORN VERIFICATION OF STATEMENTS signed and dated and included in your bid package. (Page 16)
[]	The Certificate of Interested Parties Form 1295 must be completed on line and a copy submitted with packet.
Į]	The mailing envelope has been addressed to:
		County Auditor Becky Weston Gonzales County 427 Saint George Street, Suite 302 Gonzales, Texas 78629
[]	The mailing envelope contains the original and one (1) copy.
ĺ	1	The mailing envelope has been sealed and marked:
		 Bid or proposal number Name of the bid or proposal

GONZALES COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE WISHES TO THANK ALL VENDORS FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION.