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TODAY'S VERSE

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word
be that goeth forth out of my
mouth: it shall not return
unto me void, but it shall
accomplish that which I
please, and it shall prosper
in the thing whereto I sent it.

Hamilton Happenings

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville's youth leadership clubs are joining others across the United States as part of Socktober. Noblesville club members have reached out to local community partners; Prevail, Third Phase, and Family Promise to designate them as recipients of the socks. Members of Torch Club, Keystone Club, and Smart Girls are joining efforts to reach a goal of at least 1,000 pairs of socks collected for the month of October. On Thursday, Club members will be invited to take part in packaging the socks along with handwritten notes to the recipients of the socks.

Three Things You Should Know

1 Since 1989, Hoosiers have been playing the lottery, winning big and helping to give back to good causes. In October, the Hoosier Lottery is celebrating the 35th anniversary of its first ticket sale, which occurred on Oct. 13, 1989. Since 1989, players have won more than \$18 billion on Hoosier Lottery products. These prizes range from \$1 to a \$540 million winning Mega Millions ticket sold in 2016. Indiana has sold more winning Powerball jackpot tickets than any other state in the nation. And retailers have earned more than \$2 billion in commissions.

2 Enrollment at Indiana's public higher education institutions for the fall 2024 school year saw the largest one-year increase since fall 2010. Exceeding two percent, the increase from the fall 2023 school year saw more students enrolling in both undergraduate and graduate programs. This is the second year in a row college enrollment in Indiana increased, reversing the previous 12-year decline.

3 Indiana Secretary of State Diego Morales is continuing his work to update and clean the state's voter rolls, reinforcing his office's ongoing commitment to protecting election integrity. As a result, nearly a million voter registrations have been updated, more than 360,000 registrations were flagged as "inactive" and more than 470,000 obsolete registrations were flagged as cancelled by county registration boards. Indiana's voter list maintenance effort increases confidence that each of the more than 4.8 million voter registrations in Indiana represents an actual, eligible Hoosier voter.

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Club Kids' Messages, 'Socktober' Donations Bound to Inspire



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Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville members -- Payton Needham (from left), Surraye Hinkle, Armanie Owens and Matvii Malynovskyy -- wrote positive messages during the club's Socktober project. More than 2,000 socks will be donated to Prevail, Family Promise and Third Phase in Noblesville.



BETSY REASON
Columnist

"You Are Kind."
"Nice Work."
"You Got This Champ!"
"You're a Winner!" "You Are Brave, Beautiful and Smart." "You're Amazing." "All You Can Do Is Your Best."

at the Boys & Girls Club join others across the United States contributing to national Socktober efforts.

Earlier, club members reached out to local community partners Prevail, Third Phase, and Family Promise to designate them as recipients of the socks. These partners provide services to fellow neighbors in crisis, and the club's youth have made supporting them a priority.

Club kids, who Thursday afternoon anxiously awaited in the Club's games room, to come through the doors into the cafeteria, were thrilled to participate in Socktober festivities.

Club kid Matvii Malynovskyy wrote "Positive Vibe" and

smiled as he showed his message taped to green striped socks.

Surraye Hinkle wrote her name and added smiley-face stickers on the label attached to a pair of purple and orange socks.

Carter McClean, wearing a blue Indianapolis Colts sweatshirt, smiled with his message "Nice Work." Club kids were all smiles as they enjoyed this fun project.

Payton Needham wrote "You Got This Champ" and added heart stickers to the label of her fun green socks. What did she enjoy most? "Doing the station, donating stuff and having lots of fun."

➡ See BETSY on Page A2

These are some of the positive messages handwritten on brown paper notes placed on donated socks by Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville's club kids during Thursday's Socktober festival -- a carnival-like fun atmosphere -- at the club. This first-time donation drive - "Sockathon" is what they called it -- came about when members of the Club's character and leadership-building clubs -- Torch Club, Keystone Club, and Smart Girls -- joined efforts to reach a goal of at least 300 pairs of donated socks, Abigail Stutesman, the club's director of club operations, said.

The goal quickly changed to 1,000 pairs of socks collected for the month of October. Exceeding their goal, with a donation of more than 2,300 socks, all club members were invited to take part in Thursday's packaging of the socks along with the club kids' handwritten notes to the recipients of the socks and other Socktober festivities. The youth leadership clubs



The Times photo by Betsy Reason

Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville members do puppet crafts during the club's Socktober event.

Holiday in Lights Parade Dec. 7

Downtown Noblesville will light up with the bright lights of the holiday season on Dec. 7 with the return of the Holiday in Lights Parade.

"Last year's parade brought our community together for a night of holiday celebration, and we look forward to bringing even more holiday cheer this year to our downtown," Noblesville Mayor Chris Jensen said. "This event is a great opportunity for everyone to show their holiday spirit and support our downtown businesses."

The parade will get rolling at 6:30 p.m. and the route starts at 16th and Harrison streets. It travels south on 16th Street to Logan Street, turns right on 9th Street and turns right on Harrison Street to end at Ivy Tech's parking lot.

Public safety and Hamilton County Emergency Management are working together to provide a lit and safe parade route. Any non-motorized entry needs to have reflective material or glow sticks/bracelets on any walkers to ensure their safety during the parade.

➡ See PARADE on Page A7

A Slice of Apple History



PAULA DUNN
From Time to Thyme

I recently went to Gatewood's to buy some mums and was pleasantly surprised to discover they had Empire apples for sale.

I've been fond of Empires ever since Jerry Snyder introduced me to them while I was helping her with her Times column. Although Empires sometimes turn up in supermarket produce aisles, they're not routinely stocked, so for me, stumbling across them is sort of like finding buried treasure.

My discovery reminded me that apples are one aspect of fall I hadn't written about yet. It's high time I did. Autumn wouldn't be the same without apples and all the good things made from them -- apple cider, apple pie, caramel apples, apple doughnuts . . . the list goes on and on.

➡ See PAULA on Page A3

TODAY'S HEALTH TIP

If you're inactive and overweight, get tested for diabetes.
Today's health tip was brought to you by Dr. John Roberts.



TODAY'S QUOTE

"There is magic in the night when pumpkins glow by moonlight."
Unknown

OBITUARIES

None

TODAY'S JOKE

Where do mummies go for a swim?
To the Dead Sea.



The Times appreciates all our customers. Today, we'd like to personally thank JANICE ROBINSON for subscribing!

Question: When did ‘Normal’ Become Extreme?



TIM TIMMONS
Two Cents

Have I ever mentioned how enjoyable Saturday mornings are? The office is quiet, the phones aren't ringing and a body can get a lot done in a short amount of time. Plus, as a child of the '60s, I enjoy music from that era – and can play it without bothering anyone else in the empty office.

Actually, my musical tastes are pretty diverse. Pretty much anything from the '50s to the late '70s, early '80s is good with me. And the genre can be rock, country or anything in between.

One of my absolute all-time favorites is Bobby Darin's Mack the Knife. So when it came on Saturday, I cranked up the volume as Bobby was singing about a cement bag just a droopin' on down (it's there for the weight, don't you know). Truth to tell I might've been warbling along a little too loudly with-

"I am NOT a right-wing extremist," the gravelly bass voice of John Hammer boomed from my doorframe.

Remember the sound the record used to make when someone yanked the needle across it? Yeah, well, that's pretty much the way my heart felt as the giant of a man called the Hammer scared the living bejeezus out of me once again.

"Damn, John! Can't you ever just knock or something?" I yelled.

Of course one of Hammer's giant hands is bigger than my head so I never yell too much. For those who don't know him, John Hammer is the biggest, toughest man I know. He's rough after a hard life of manual labor. His hands are calloused, his neck is red and his heart is pure red, white and blue. He doesn't usually talk much, but when he does . . . well, I've always found it pays to listen. Like my grandpa, the man just makes good sense.

"I'm tired of all the crazy talk, Timmons," he growled, pretty much ignoring the idea of knocking. "You know, I grew up in this country, served my time in the Army and made a good life for my family. We're not rich, but we've raised our kids, paid our taxes, gone to church and lived like we were taught by those who came before. But now? Now things we were taught in Sunday School are "extreme" views. Now I hear we are "right-wing extremists." Now I hear that WE are the problem. What the hell is wrong with everyone?"

Hammer had a good point. The world has turned upside down.

"This country was founded on Christian principles," Hammer went on. "But now traditional biblical views are labeled political. Timmons, do you know how many places in Washington, D.C. you can find the Ten Commandments? They're in the Supreme Court building, the Capitol, the Library of Congress and other places. We print In God We Trust on our money. Our Pledge of Allegiance still says we are one nation, under God – even though some knuckle-headed movement tried to get that changed. It's our history, our heritage. But they're trying to erase it – all of it."

Hammer paused. I wasn't about to interrupt.

"You know Timmons, we're voting for a president now and frankly, I'm not too damn excited about either one of 'em. This country has always been bigger than that office, but to hear it now, this country is all about that office and all the others occupied by the hired hands you call politicians. Used to be there were a lot of good men and women in those seats and the yahoos were few and far between. Now, it's just the opposite. We need to get back to some basics like what we were taught in church . . . like the fact that elections are just events where we hire people to do our business in the government and we sure as hell aren't coronating them! . . . like the fact that we didn't use to spend more than our Treasury could handle.

"I tell you, Timmons. This ain't a coincidence. All these things, the country being upside down, the idea that traditional biblical values aren't valid anymore, the common sense people being labeled extremists . . . it ain't a coincidence. Timmons, it don't matter who wins in November – if they even figure it out before it turns into chaos. What matters is whether or not we're all going to sit back and let this country keep sliding downhill. I'd like to think we won't, but unless something changes it looks like that's the way it's heading."

With that, the behemoth of a man walked away. Here's hoping his fears aren't going to come to pass.

Two cents, which is about how much Timmons said his columns are worth, appears periodically in The Times. Timmons is the chief executive officer of Sagamore News Media, the company that owns The Noblesville Times. He is also a proud Noblesville High School graduate and can be contacted at timmons@thetimes24-7.com.

↓ BETSY

From Page A1

Armanie Owens wrote "You're a Winner" on her sock message. She hopes their messages will encourage those who receive the socks. "They will be very inspired and will love the socks they got. I'm so happy that we're able to support other people," she said.

"I liked experiencing it with all of my friends and getting to write positive letters," said Joy Owens, who held up a pair of gray Puma socks with her message: "One Day at A Time, You Got This!"

Daniela Korablov wrote "All You Can Do Is Your Best!" on her pink and green socks. She said making a puppet, which she held up, and "eating candy" were the most fun activities during the Socktober event.

Arianna Drennon said her favorite activity was also making a puppet, which she held while smiling for a photo.

Ashton Smyser and Jameson Herner used smiley faces on their labels created for socks that will be donated.

Again, club kids were all smiles. Besides creating labels for donated socks and crafting puppets, other "sock" activities included games of "Toss a Sock" and "Silly Sock Bingo." "There are fun activities every year, and I think this may be the funnest," said one of the club kids.

It was a lot of fun and a lot of work but thanks to volunteers from Kodiak Solutions, the event had plenty of adult volunteers to lead activities.

"They wanted to come in and support an event," Stutesman said.

Kodiak employee Emily Mahurin, of Noblesville, said, "We are celebrating our one-year anniversary as a new stand-alone company, and we wanted to do that by giving back to our community. So we reached out to the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville to see if they had anything coming up in the month of October that needed help and support." The Club shared this Socktober project. Kodiak provided about two dozen volunteers "to facilitate a really fun afternoon for the kids," said Mahurin, who is an office leader for the Indianapolis headquarters and who has a small social committee. "We got together and brainstormed on organizations that we wanted to reach out to." Then Mahurin made the connection with the Club.

"This was so awesome

with the passport and different stations ... We needed every pair of hands it seemed like," she said at the end of the event.

By the end of October, each of the three clubs will take their box of socks to each of the three designated charities. Smart Girls will take their donated socks to Prevail, Torch Club will take their donated socks to Family Promise, and Keystone Club will take their donated socks to Third Phase.

The competition, between the three clubs, culminated with the Smart Girls club receiving the most sock donations and winning a donut party.

Just as Club employees were cleaning up the Socktober activities, they were getting ready for the next Club event. A pizza meal followed just 30 minutes later for club kids, donated by the Noblesville Elks Club, which has members serving up about 25 pizzas once a month thanks to an Elks National grant.

The Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville, of which the executive director is Becky Terry, annually serves more than 2,000 kids grades K-12 (ages 5-18) with an average daily attendance after school of 297 kids per day. Services cost more than \$1,000 per child with a cost to families of only \$75 per year and \$10 per year for teens. The club was founded in 1950.

The Torch and Keystone clubs' next donation project is Stuff Da Bus, a food drive that started in 2009 and calls upon the community to fill at least one or more Boys & Girls Club bus with food for local families. The club gives the option for people to donate nonperishable food items or donate money to fill a seat with food. Sponsorships are available. Stutesman usually drives one of the filled buses in the Noblesville Christmas Parade, which for the second year will be an evening Holiday in Lights Parade on Dec. 7 through downtown Noblesville.

Stutesman, who has been a full-time employee of the club for 24 years, said she loves events like these. She said, "It's more for the kids to get the reward of doing it and learning about other charities."

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The Times photos by Betsy Reason

Joy Owens, Carter McClean and Daniela Korablov participate in the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville's Socktober event.



Club member Arianna Drennon said her favorite activity was making a puppet.

A Kodiak Solutions volunteer calls numbers for "Silly Sock Bingo" during the Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville's Socktober event.



Kodiak employee Emily Mahurin (left) of Noblesville who headed up her office volunteers for the Boys & Girls Club's Socktober project, helps the club kids do puppet crafts.

Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville director of operations Abigail Stutesman helps Club Kid Caiden McClean with his Socktober activities instructions.



Boys & Girls Club of Noblesville club kids Ashton Smyser (left) and Jameson Herner use smiley faces on their labels created for socks that will be donated thanks to the Club's Socktober project.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Board of Trustees of Noblesville Schools will hold a public meeting on October 29, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at Noblesville Schools Educational Service Center, 18025 River Rd Noblesville, IN, to discuss and hear public comments including objections to and support for the proposed contract between the Board and the superintendent. The proposed contract includes the following details:

1. The Contract shall be July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027. Subject to the termination provisions as provided in the Agreement, the contract will be extended for one additional year in which Noblesville does not deliver written notice to the Superintendent prior to January 1 that there will be no automatic one-year extension of the Agreement. This provision results in a rolling three (3) year term, to a maximum of 8 years.

2. Annual salary of \$199,851.00 with potential for annual increase, equal to the percentage of all administrators, beginning July 1, 2026, depending upon results of Superintendent's evaluation and increases offered to other administrative employees;

3. Noblesville will set aside up to 12% of the current base salary defined under section six (6) above that the Board may award on an annual basis as incentive pay for the Superintendent meeting the goals established for him and Noblesville Schools by the Board.

4. Additional compensation for tax-deferred contributions to Code Section 403(b) and 457(b) retirement plans equal to the IRS maximum limits for Code Section 403(b) and 457(b) retirement plans each calendar year; Currently \$23k annually for each;

5. Contribution to the Indiana State Teacher's Retirement Fund;

6. Appropriate business and professional expense payments including the cost of membership and participation in professional associations of school leaders, community organizations, and expenses related to the Superintendent's attendance at appropriate conferences and activities, pursuant to reporting and budgeting requirements;

7. One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) monthly paid on a bi-weekly stipend for extra duties with reimbursement for out of district mileage.

8. Participation in insurance and disability plans as well as other benefits under the same terms and conditions applicable to all other full-time administrators under the Noblesville Schools' Administrator Contract Addendum.

9. Up to 30- vacation days each contract year with the ability to have Noblesville buy back 10 unused vacation days following June 30 each year and all leave benefits to other administrators.

10. Technology allowance at \$100 monthly paid on a bi-weekly stipend.

The Board anticipates taking final action on the proposed superintendent contract at a public meeting on October 29, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Noblesville Schools Educational Service Center, 18025 River Rd Noblesville, IN.

Reader Endorses Dawson, Hanley and Helvey

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Dear Editor, I am writing to support a fresh perspective on leadership for the Noblesville School Board. Dawson, Hanley and Helvey provide this fresh perspective with an eye on real conservative fiscal principles, actual transparency and free thought accountable to the voters. I have known each of these individuals for several years. I can honestly say I am not only familiar with these candidates but also with some of the victories Noblesville has experienced, as well as its challenges.

Due to this and what I believe is misplaced credit from various posts and local papers regarding the incumbent candidates, I feel compelled to speak up. One great thing the incumbents did do, was hire Dr. Hile as superintendent. Under the leadership and skill of our CFO, Noblesville has improved its S&P rating twice. While this makes me thrilled that, as was mentioned at the Journalism department's forum, "we'll get a better interest rate in case we get another bond," the incumbents have signed off on \$90 million in bonds over the last four years. I don't believe adding more debt and higher annual debt payments is fiscally responsible, especially when interest rates and the cost of living have continued to rise.

Dawson, Hanley and Helvey's promise to voters to not rubber stamp any referendum or bond measure before seeing it and prioritizing our teachers and students is one strong reason to support these candidates. Under Dr. Hile's leadership, Forbes ranked Noblesville Schools as one of America's best midsize employers. Dr. Hile also addressed social issues that inundated the

schools in 2020 and 2021, creating a monthly newsletter, and increased transparency with the public that had been ignored before his arrival. Having seen the failures to address these issues before Dr. Hile's arrival and knowing Dawson, Hanley and Helvey's commitment to transparency without political or spiritual bias is a key reason that will turn our good schools into great schools. Finally, the incumbents have gained the support of the local teachers union and some of our teachers. Unfortunately, the union has failed to acknowledge that some teachers haven't given their support to any candidate and still others support Dawson, Hanley and Helvey. While having teacher support is important, it is also critical to have school board members who are independent thinkers who aren't beholden to any one group or city official. I have seen the importance of DHH places not only hearing all opinions on matters but also considering all of these opinions on how they can best represent the entirety of Noblesville.

Seeing these things has earned my support for Dawson, Hanley and Helvey for Noblesville School Board. While we have a good school district here in Noblesville, and we can do even better. While our own mission and vision don't state "Academic Excellence", Noblesville schools have the potential to be better than our neighbors in every measurable category and truly be excellent. Under fresh leadership that will work alongside Dr. Hile and the victories he has already gained for Noblesville; Dawson, Hanley and Helvey can take us into a new and great chapter in Noblesville Schools History.

*Very Respectfully,
Tim Cortrecht
Noblesville*

Reader Wants School Board Focused on Education

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Dear Editor, It's been inspiring to witness the success at Hamilton Southeastern School Corporation, where board members are focused on getting back to the core mission of educating our children. Their swift progress shows what's possible,

and now Noblesville has that same opportunity with candidates like Dawson, Hanley and Helvey, who are committed to putting education first and focusing on what matters most — our children's future.

*Mark Walker
Noblesville*

PAULA From Page A1

Being history-oriented, my thoughts quickly strayed to Johnny Appleseed — the real person, John Chapman, not the Disney caricature — and his Indiana connections.

In the early 1800s, Johnny Appleseed wandered around this country's western frontier, toting a bag of apple seeds and planting nurseries in the wilderness.

Although undeniably eccentric, he did have some business smarts. By the time permanent settlers began to move into the areas where he'd planted orchards, his apple trees were saplings, ready for him to sell to the new arrivals.

Even though I've never run across a mention of Johnny Appleseed in our local history, I couldn't help wondering if he might have passed through Hamilton County at some point. I knew he was buried in Fort Wayne, and had traveled around Ohio and Indiana, so the idea wasn't far-fetched.

Trying to trace his journeys proved too big a challenge, however. If he ever did come here, that information is buried deeper than I was able to dig for this column.

What I found seemed to indicate his time in the Hoosier state was spent mainly in northeastern Indiana, although an 1876 Lafayette newspaper claimed he "was known in every log cabin on the Wabash" and some sources maintain that he made it as far west as Illinois.

In doing that research, I learned some interesting apple history.

Johnny Appleseed's apples were nothing like ours. His seed-grown trees produced apples that were sour and bitter, and primarily meant for making hard cider, not for eating. (In those days, it was safer to drink alcoholic beverages than water, which sometimes contained dangerous

bacteria.)

During Prohibition, most of Johnny Appleseed's surviving orchards were destroyed by the FBI to keep people from making homemade cider.

The only living apple tree known to have been planted by Johnny Appleseed is in Nova, Ohio. Although it's on its last legs, cuttings have been taken from it, so there are descendants.

The sweet apples we buy for eating today at supermarkets and farm markets like Gatewood's, Wilson's, Spencer's, Conner Prairie's Apple Store and Stuckey Farm Orchard and Cider Mill, only come from grafted trees, not trees grown from seed, like Johnny Appleseed's.

I couldn't write a column on apples without a recipe . . .

Apple Muffins

- 1 1/2 C. flour
- 1/2 C. sugar
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/4 C. butter
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 C. tart apples, shredded (Granny Smith is best)

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Mix together flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and cinnamon. Cut in butter to fine crumb stage.

Combine egg, milk and apples, and add to flour mixture. Mix just to coat the dry ingredients. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes. Makes 12 muffins.

(That's the original recipe. I usually add about 1/4 to 1/3 cup of oats and some walnut pieces to the flour mixture, and peel and dice the apple instead of shredding it. I don't bother measuring it. I've found it easier to just use one large apple.)

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Page 1
FOR AUDITING SERVICES
Proposals Due: October 25, 2024

The City of Westfield, Indiana is requesting proposals from qualified firms of certified public accountants, in accordance with the provisions of the Indiana General Statutes, to conduct an examination and to render an opinion on the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report of the City of Westfield.

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D. Audit Services Proposal Letter Fixed Fees

The City of Westfield (the City) is requesting proposals from qualified firms of certified public accountants to audit its financial statements for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2024, 2025, & 2026. These audits are to be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the standards set forth for financial audits in the General Accounting Office's (GAO) Government Auditing Standards (1994), the provisions of the Federal Single Audit Act of 1984, as amended in 1996, and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-profit Organizations, and the provisions of Sections 4-230 through 4-236 of the Indiana General Statutes concerning the State Single Audit Act.

The auditor(s) shall state that the primary purpose of the audit is to express an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole and that the audit is subject to the inherent risk that errors or irregularities may occur and not be detected.

There is no expressed or implied obligation for the City of Westfield to reimburse firms for any expenses incurred in preparing proposals in response to this request. To be considered, an original and five (5) copies of a proposal must be received by the City of Westfield, before 3:00 pm October 25, 2024. The City of Westfield reserves the right to reject any or all proposals submitted. Proposals submitted will be evaluated by accounting personnel, City administrators and Audit Committee members.

During the evaluation process, the selection personnel and the City of Westfield reserve the right, where it may serve the City of Westfield's best interest, to request additional information or clarifications from proposers, or to allow corrections of errors or omissions. At the discretion of the City of Westfield or the selection personnel, firms submitting proposals may be requested to make oral presentations as part of the evaluation process.

The City of Westfield reserves the right to retain all proposals submitted and to use any ideas in a proposal regardless of whether that proposal is selected. Submission of a proposal indicates acceptance by the firm of the conditions contained in this request for proposals, unless clearly and specifically noted in the proposal submitted and confirmed in the contract between the City of Westfield and the firm selected.

It is anticipated the selection of a firm will be completed no later than November 12, 2024. Following the notification of the selected firm, it is expected that an engagement letter will be executed between both parties within 30 days of approval.

Contract Period - The agreement shall be for a three-year period and shall become effective immediately upon execution by all parties with implementation of all specified services to take place for the audit of fiscal year ending December 31, 2024. The contract entered into between the City and the firm shall extend for a term through and including the audit for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026. The agreement may be extended at the discretion of the Audit Committee.

Compensation - Compensation for services shall be a fixed price for each year of the three-year term of the agreement. The fixed fee shall include a minimum number of hours to be allocated to the partner-in-charge, supervising manager, and field staff. Upon request the firm will provide the City with a statement of chargeable hours to substantiate billings. Any annual optional extensions shall be performed at prices to be negotiated before the option is exercised.

Termination of Contract - Following implementation, should the Audit Committee find that the firm has failed in any material respect to perform its obligations under the agreement; the Audit Committee may cancel the agreement. The firm shall be liable for damages from such breach including reasonably foreseeable incidental and consequential damages. Should the City find that the provision of auditing services under the terms of the agreement precludes the City from administering its duties in an effective and efficient manner; the Audit Committee may cancel the agreement upon 180 days written notice to the firm. In such event the City shall compensate the firm at the pro rata hourly rate for services performed through the effective date of the cancellation which shall be in full and complete satisfaction of the firm's claims. The firm shall promptly return all workpapers and work in progress to the City. The firm shall provide the City at least 180 days prior written notice of its intent to terminate any agreement.

II. DESCRIPTION OF THE GOVERNMENT

A. General
The auditor's principal contact with the City of Westfield will be Marla Ailor, Clerk Treasurer, or a designated representative, who will coordinate the assistance to be provided by the City of Westfield to the auditor.

B. Background Information
The City has an elected Mayor, elected Clerk Treasurer and an elected Common Council. Westfield's City Council has seven members, two at large and five that represent districts.

Cities are authorized to establish any executive departments which they consider necessary to "efficiently perform the administrative functions that will fulfill the needs of their citizens" (IC 36-4-9-4).

The City of Westfield serves an area of 32.97 square miles with a population of an estimated 59,000. The City of Westfield's fiscal year begins on January 1 and ends on December 31.

The City of Westfield provides the following services to its citizens: Development & Planning Services, Fire Protection & Ambulance Services, Police, Parks and Recreation, Public Works Services, including Road Repair & Snow Removal, and General Government Services. The City provides a stormwater system. Utilities, Trash & Recycling services are provided by third parties.

The City of Westfield is organized into several departments. All funds are under the administrative control of the Mayor's Office.

C. Fund Structure
The City of Westfield uses all the funds included in the budget and the ACFR under general ledger control, and account groups in its financial reporting.

D. Budgetary Basis of Accounting
The City of Westfield prepares its zero-based budgets on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles except that encumbrances are recognized as a valid and proper charge against an appropriation in the year the purchase order is issued.

E. Pension Plans
The City of Westfield participates in the following pension plans:

1. All full-time City employees, except for those eligible for participation in the 77 Fund and sworn police officers, participate in a contributory single-employer defined benefit pension plan.

III. ASSISTANCE TO BE PROVIDED TO THE AUDITOR AND REPORT PREPARATION

A. Statements and Schedules and Other Pertinent Information to be Prepared by the City of Westfield
The Clerk-Treasurer, or a designated representative, will prepare or provide the following statements and schedules for the auditor as follows:

- Adjusted trial balance for all funds.
• Detailed schedules of revenues and expenditures, expenses, accounts payable and receivable, and encumbrances.
• Detail of balance sheet and subsidiary account activity.
• Check registers for all funds.
• Bank reconciliations for all accounts.
• Detail of capital projects expenditures
• Analysis of accounts as requested.
• Investment activity schedules.
• Debt schedules.
• Fixed assets schedules.
• Payroll records.
• Tax collection schedules.
• Schedule of compensated absences.
• Latest actuarial reports.
• Completed ED-001 and supporting documents.
• Standard representation letters.
• Individual fund statements for all funds.
• Notes to the combined financial statements.
• Required supplementary information.
• Management's discussion and analysis.
• ACFR statistical tables.
• Schedule of federal and state assistance.

Workspace will be provided in close proximity to the financial records. Copiers/fax devices will be made available as well as internet access during the engagement. The auditor will be required to provide computer equipment and other office materials as needed.

IV. NATURE OF SERVICES REQUIRED

A. General
The City of Westfield is soliciting the services of qualified firms of certified public accountants to audit its financial statements for the fiscal years ending December 31, 2024, 2025 & 2026. These audits are to be performed in accordance with the provisions contained in this request for proposals.

B. Qualifying Requirements
Qualified Firm:
Firms submitting proposals must be qualified to perform independent audits of municipalities of the State of Indiana. The firm must have been engaged during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, as independent auditors for the purpose of rendering an opinion on the annual financial statements of an Indiana municipality with a population of at least 40,000.

Location:
The auditors must have an office located within the State of Indiana, and resident staff must be able to offer the full range of auditing services required by this Request for Proposals.

Non-Discrimination:
No person shall be denied or subjected to discrimination on account of any services, or activities made possible by or resulting from this agreement on the grounds of sex, race, color, creed, national origin, age (except minimum age and retirement provision), marital status or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical handicap. Any violation of this provision shall be considered a violation of a material provision of this agreement and shall be grounds for cancellation, termination or suspension in whole or in part of the agreement by the City of Westfield and may result in ineligibility for further City of Westfield contracts. The proposer shall at all times in the proposal and contract process comply with all applicable City of Westfield, state, and federal anti-discrimination laws, rules, regulations and requirements thereof.

Reports:
Each proposer shall submit copies of at least two Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports issued by Indiana municipalities in which their opinion is contained. At least one of these reports shall have been awarded the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting within the past three years.

Other:
Supervisory members of the audit team, including the "in charge" field auditor, should be Certified Public Accountants and have a minimum of three (3) years of municipal audit experience in the State of Indiana. The selection personnel intend to strongly consider municipal audit experience and certification in evaluating the proposer's audit team. It is the City's desire to maintain a consistently qualified team during the term of the engagement.

List the current Indiana municipal clients and the Indiana clients lost and gained during the calendar years 2021, 2022, 2023.

C. Scope of Work to be Performed
The City of Westfield desires the auditor to express an opinion on the fair presentation of its basic financial statements, the combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and schedules in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The auditor is not required to audit the supporting schedules, the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Budgetary Comparison contained in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. However, the auditor is to provide an "in-relation-to" report on the supporting schedules and information based on the auditing procedures applied during the audit of the basic financial statements and the combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules. The auditor is not required to audit the introductory section of the report or the statistical section of the report.

The auditor may also be responsible for the Government-wide Financial Statements. The auditor will be entirely responsible for the printing of 20 ACFRs before June 30th each year for the previous fiscal year. A PDF or similar file of the ACFR that is able to be posted on the City website will be provided to the City at that time.

D. Auditing Standards to be Followed
To meet the requirements of this request for proposals, the audit shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards as set forth by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the standards for financial audits set forth in the U.S. Comptroller General's Government Auditing Standards, the provisions of the Single Audit Act of 1984, as amended in 1996, the provisions of U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-profit Organizations, and in conjunction and conformity with the Indiana Single Audit Act.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1
NOBLESVILLE, INDIANA
In the Matter of the Unsupervised Estate of Evan Michael Meagher, deceased.
Cause No. 29D01-2409-EU-000406
Notice is hereby given that Kathleen Marie Goyer was, on the 16th day of September, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the unsupervised estate of Evan Michael Meagher, deceased, who died on the 25th day of August, 2024.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana September 16, 2024
Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court 1
Erin N. Johnson
38 W. Main Street
Carmel, IN 46032
(317) 969-7559
erin@erinjohnsonlegal.com
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Request for Qualifications
Hamilton County Special Projects for 2025 and 2026
Construction and General Contracting Services
Project Location: Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, Hamilton County Historic Courthouse, Hamilton County Jail Complex, Hamilton County 4H Campus, Hamilton County Highway Department and the Hamilton County Health Department, Noblesville, Indiana
Response Due Date: October 25, 2024 by 4:00 PM
Tentative Selection Date: November 12, 2024
Hamilton County is requesting qualifications (the "RFQ") for professional Construction Management Services ("CM Services") for the following interior and exterior renovations:
• Exterior brick work, renovation, and rehabilitation
• Repair and/or replace windows
• All other special projects approved by Buildings and Grounds for 2025 and 2026
• Install a new HVAC system and remove the existing HVAC system
These services are being requested at the following locations (a non-exhaustive list): the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, Hamilton County Historic Courthouse, Hamilton County Jail Complex, Hamilton County 4H Campus, Hamilton County Highway Department and the Hamilton County Health Department. The RFQ is being issued to solicit certain documents from qualified firms to perform professional services for the above-mentioned project as outlined in this RFQ.
A response to this RFQ is not a guarantee that the firm responding will be awarded a contract to perform CM Services, but only that the responding firm wishes to be considered.
Contact for questions regarding this RFQ:
Mr. Steve Wood
Title: Building and Grounds Superintendent
Phone Number: 317.776.8446
Email: steve.wood@hamiltoncounty.in.gov
INTRODUCTION
Potential firms shall be required to submit the following documents:
1. A response to this RFQ as outlined herein.
2. One (1) original, three (3) copies, and one disc or flash drive of the response are to be submitted.
3. All submittals shall be titled: Request for Qualifications for the Hamilton County Special Projects for 2025 and 2026: Construction and General Contracting Services
4. All submittals shall be made to: Hamilton County Board of Commissioners
c/o Mr. Lee Buckingham
Title: Director of Administrations
Address: 1 N. 8th St., #157
Noblesville, IN 46060
Pre-selection information:
1. The firm shall be properly licensed in Indiana to provide the CM Services requested.
2. A contract with terms similar to a standard contract terms will be executed between the selected firm and the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners. The County reserve the right to modify, amend, or replace the contract with a County drafted contract.
3. The County reserves the right to reject any or all RFQs, to waive any informality or irregularity in any RFQ received, and to be the sole judge of the merits of the respective RFQs received.
Section 1: The Project.
The Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County (the "Commissioners"), Indiana seeks CM Services to begin a project for the renovation and modernization of existing space to accommodate the needs for the County government's continued growth, updating existing systems, updating and installing new HVAC systems, removing old HVAC systems, brick work, and other similar construction services (the "Project").
The scope of Project is:
a. Update and/or replace certain mechanical systems at the current historic courthouse, judicial center, health department center, jail complex and 4-H.
b. Exterior and roof repairs and replacement at various buildings throughout the County.
c. Misc. interior renovations at the County facilities.
d. Work with design and architect team to design miscellaneous mechanical upgrades throughout the County.
e. Coordinate all permitting requirements with Authorities Having Jurisdiction.
f. All of the scope of the Project will likely be performed and completed while continuing the operations of the Hamilton County government at all Project locations/sites.
In order to complete the project, the Commissioners are seeking a qualified professional CM Services firm with experience in the construction, renovations and modernizations of judicial facilities and design of government use space. The potential firm must have the experience to ensure the continued operations of Hamilton County throughout the duration of the Project. The Commissioners expect that the selected firm will provide recommendations and services to work with the conceptual design, prepare construction documents and specifications of the renovations and structures.
The final project scope will be determined through a scoping period with the selected firm, during which the selected firm will be required to provide site analysis, design, operation of the project site during construction, and construction analysis to create a final scope and budget. The scoping period is anticipated to be a very intense and fast-paced process, with the goal of achieving a final budget in the fall of 2024.
Upon receiving a satisfactory scoping schedule from the selected firm, the County will move forward with the Project and selected firm. If the selected firm is unable to produce satisfactory deliverables and budget, the County will begin a new scoping period with another firm or cancel the RFQ process all together. All funding subject to budget approvals for 2025 and 2026.
Section 2: Qualification Information Required (10-pages maximum)
1. Informational Cover Letter
2. Identification, Qualifications and Key Staff
a. Provide the firm name and office location from where the work will be performed. Include the name and contact information for the person authorized to negotiate the proposed contract.
b. Describe the project team, organizational structure and individuals responsible for the delivery of the key tasks.
c. Include a listing of the proposed subconsultants and the tasks to be completed by the prime and each subconsultant.
d. Describe the capacity of the team to complete the required work elements.
3. Describe experience in the construction and construction management of courthouse construction/renovations, or other similar projects, projects and a description of space for other government uses. Include references for the projects noted. List up to four county courthouse projects and similar government projects.
a. Provide references for projects included in the project experience section.
4. Your firm's project understanding and approach to the project.
a. Address your firm's understanding of the services requested and approach to completing the design requirements. Describe your proposed innovative ideas, cost containment measures, energy efficiency and/or sustainable design suggestions, staging and sequencing of work to accommodate operating government offices, seamless design of building additions, quality control procedures, etc.
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Hamilton Superior Court 2
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON CIRCUIT COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) 2024 TERM
CAUSE NO: 29D02-2409-EU-000387
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF: SHELBY J. CHAPDELAINE
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
NOTICE is hereby given that Mark A. Maloof was, on September 11, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Shelby J. Chapdelaine, deceased, who died on the 1st day of August, 2024.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
DATED at Noblesville, Indiana, this September 11, 2024.
Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton County Circuit Court
Prepared by:
Thomas M. Beeman, No. 4291-45
Attorney for Estate
3737 South Scatterfield Road, Suite 200
Anderson, Indiana 46013
Telephone: 765/640-1330
Fax: 765/640-1330
tom@beemanlawoffice.com
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29D01-2406-EU-000268
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT 1
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) ESTATE DOCKET: 29D01-2406-EU-000268
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED)
ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
TIMOTHY WAYNE ALMACK, Deceased
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is given that on June 28, 2024, Leslie Ann Wayne Almack was appointed Executor / personal representation of the estate of Timothy Wayne Almack, deceased, who died on February 23, 2024.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first decedent's death, or claims will forever be barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, on June 28, 2024.
Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court 1
of Hamilton County, Indiana
Michael T. McNelis
Attorney for Executor / Personal Representative
Mitchell Dick McNelis, LLC
9247 N. Meridian Street, Suite 350
Indianapolis, IN 46260
(317) 633-7676
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E. Reports to be Issued
Following the completion of the audit of the fiscal year's financial statements, the auditor shall issue, as required by generally accepted auditing standards, and Government Auditing standards, OMB Circular a-133, and the Indiana Single Audit Act, including but not limited to the following:
• A report on the fair presentation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
• A report on compliance and on internal control over financial reporting based on an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.
• A report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Financial Assistance.
• A report on compliance and internal control over compliance applicable to each major federal award program.
• A report on the Supplementary Schedule of State Financial Assistance.
• A report on the internal control over compliance in accordance with the State Single Audit Act.
• A report on compliance with the general requirements applicable to state financial assistance programs.
• A report on compliance with specific requirements applicable to major state financial assistance programs.
The auditor shall communicate in a letter to the Finance Committee any reportable conditions found during the audit. A reportable condition shall be defined as a significant deficiency in the design or operation of the internal control structure, which could adversely affect the organization's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.
F. Special Considerations
1. The City of Westfield will send its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report to the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for review in its Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting program in a timely manner. The City will not allow an extension on submission for this program.
2. The schedule of federal and state financial assistance and related auditor's reports, as well as the reports on the internal control structure and compliance, are to be issued separately from the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.
3. The City of Westfield currently anticipates it will prepare one or more official statements in connection with the sale of debt securities which will contain the basic financial statements and the auditor's opinion thereon. The auditor shall be required, if requested by the City's municipal advisor and/or the underwriter, to issue a "consent and citation of expertise" as the auditor and any necessary "comfort letters".
G. Working Paper Retention and Access to Working Papers
All working papers and reports must be retained, at the auditor's expense, for a minimum of three (3) years, unless the firm is notified in writing by the City of Westfield of the need to extend the retention period. The auditor will be required to make working papers available, upon request by the City of Westfield. In accordance with the requirements of Government Auditing Standards and of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996, the auditor is required to provide access to the working papers and photocopies thereof to a federal agency or the Comptroller General of the United States upon their request for their regulatory oversight purposes. If such a request is made, the auditor will inform the Clerk Treasurer prior to providing such access.
In addition, the firm shall respond to the reasonable inquiries of successor auditors and allow successor auditors to review working papers relating to matters of continuing accounting significance.
H. Other Audit Services
Periodically the City of Westfield is required to have separate audits performed. The auditor will be expected to perform these audits and any other audit services requested by the City of Westfield outside of the standard audit at the hourly rate stated in Appendix A.
I. Implied Requirements
All services not specifically mentioned in this request for proposals that are necessary to provide the functional capabilities described by the auditor shall be included in the Scope of Services.
V. TIME REQUIREMENTS
A. Proposal Calendar
The following is a list of key dates up to and including the date proposals are due to be submitted:
B. Schedule for the Annual Audit and Pension Plan Audit
The following timeline is for the 2025 and 2026 audit and should be completed no later than the dates indicated.
1. Interim work
The auditor shall complete interim fieldwork by December 31st.
2. Detailed Audit Plan
The auditor shall provide the City of Westfield by March 1st both a detailed audit plan and a list of all data requests to be provided by the City of Westfield.
3. Fieldwork
The auditor shall complete all fieldwork by May 31st.
4. Draft Report and Significant audit findings
The auditor shall provide the City of Westfield with a draft report, listing of audit comments and significant audit findings by June 9th.
5. Exit Conference and Final Reports
An exit conference and final reports shall be completed by June 23rd.
C. Report Submissions
Copies of all reports shall be addressed to the City of Westfield, Clerk-Treasurer, Audit Committee, Finance Committee and City Council. The successful proposer will also submit copies of reports as required by state and federal audit requirements.
The final report and 20 signed copies and a thumb drive should be delivered to:
City of Westfield
Enterprise Development
2728 East 171st Street
Westfield, Indiana 46074
VI. PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS
A. General Requirements
1) Inquiries
Inquiries concerning the request for proposals and the subject of the request for proposals must be made to:
City of Westfield
Audit Committee
2728 East 171st Street
Westfield, Indiana 46074
Attn: John Rogers,
Director of Enterprise Development
317-804-3007
2) Submission of Proposals
The following material is required to be received by 3:00 p.m. on October 25, 2024, for a proposing firm to be considered:
a. The Proposal, five copies, and thumb drive are to include the following:
i. Title Page
Title page showing the request for proposal's subject; the firm's name; the name, address and telephone number of a contact person; and the date of the proposal.
ii. Table of Contents
iii. Transmittal Letter
A signed letter of transmittal briefly stating the proposer's understanding of the work to be done, the commitment to perform the work within the time period, a statement why the firm believes itself to be best qualified to perform the engagement and a statement that the proposal is a firm and irrevocable offer for the period covered.
iv. Detailed Proposal
The detailed proposal should follow the order set forth in Section VI B of this request for proposals.
v. Guarantees and Warranties
Executed copies of Proposer Guarantees and Proposer Warranties attached to this request for proposals (Appendix B).
vi. Insurance Schedule (Appendix C).
vii. Audit Services Proposal Letter (Appendix D).
b. The proposer shall submit an original and five copies of a dollar cost proposal attached to this request for proposals (Appendix A).
c. Proposers should send the completed proposal consisting of the two (2) separate envelopes, and thumb drive to the following address:
City of Westfield
Director Enterprise Development
2728 East 171st Street
Westfield, Indiana 46074
The envelopes shall be clearly marked as follows:
Envelope #1: Audit Technical Proposal
Envelope #2: Audit Sealed Dollar Cost Proposal (Appendix A)
B. Technical Proposal
1. General Requirements
The purpose of the Technical Proposal is to demonstrate the qualifications, competence and capacity of the firms seeking to undertake an independent audit of the City of Westfield in conformity with the requirements of this request for proposals. As such, the substance of proposals will carry more weight than their form or manner of presentation. The Technical Proposal should demonstrate the qualifications of the firm and of the particular staff to be assigned to this engagement. It should also specify an audit approach that will meet the request for proposals requirements.
THERE SHOULD BE NO DOLLAR UNITS OR TOTAL COSTS INCLUDED IN THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL DOCUMENT.
The Technical Proposal should address all the points outlined in the request for proposals (excluding any cost information which should only be included in Appendix A). The Proposal should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straightforward, concise description of the proposer's capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the request for proposals. While additional items may be presented, the following subjects, items Nos. 2 through 8, must be included. They represent the criteria against which the proposal will be evaluated.
2. Independence
The firm should provide an affirmative statement that it is independent of the City of Westfield as defined by generally accepted accounting standards and the U.S. Comptroller General's Government Auditing Standards (1994).
The firm should also list and describe the firm's professional relationships involving the City of Westfield or any of its agencies for the past five (5) years, together with a statement explaining why such relationships do not constitute a conflict of interest relative to performing the proposed audit.
In addition, the firm shall give the City of Westfield written notice of any professional relationships entered into during the period of this agreement.
3. License to Practice in Indiana
An affirmative statement should be included indicating that the firm and all key professional staff are properly qualified to practice in Indiana.
4. Firm Qualifications and Experience
The proposer should state the size of the firm, the size of the firm's governmental audit staff, the location of the office from which the work on this engagement is to be performed and the number and nature of the professional staff to be employed in this engagement on a full-time basis and the number and nature of the staff to be so employed on a part-time basis.
The firm shall also provide information on the results of any federal or state desk reviews or field reviews of its audits during the last three (3) years. In addition, the firm shall provide information on the circumstances and status of any disciplinary action taken or pending against the firm during the past three (3) years with state regulatory bodies or professional organizations.
The firm is also required to submit a copy of the report on its most recent external quality control review, with a statement whether that quality control review included a review of specific government engagements.
5. Partner, Supervisory and Staff Qualifications and Experience
The firm should identify the principal supervisory and management staff, including engagement partners, managers, other supervisors and specialists, who would be assigned to the engagement. Indicate whether each such person is licensed to practice as a certified public accountant in Indiana. Provide information on the government auditing experience of each person, including information on relevant continuing professional education for the past three (3) years and membership in professional organizations relevant to the performance of this audit.
Provide as much information as possible regarding the number, qualifications, experience and training, including relevant continuing professional education, of the specific staff to be assigned to this engagement. Indicate how the quality of the staff over the term of the agreement will be assured.
The proposer should identify the extent to which its staff reflects the City of Westfield's commitment to Affirmative Action.
Engagement partners, managers, other supervisory staff and specialists may be changed if those personnel leave the firm, are promoted or are assigned to another office. These personnel may also be changed for other reasons with the express prior written permission of City of Westfield. Replacement personnel must have the same or greater level of municipal audit experience as the originally proposed staff, or the City of Westfield will be entitled to a 10% reduction in fees. In any case, the City of Westfield retains the right to approve or reject replacements.
Consultants and firm specialists mentioned in response to this request for proposals can only be changed with the express prior written permission of the Audit Committee, which retains the right to approve or reject replacements.
Other audit personnel may be changed at the discretion of the proposer provided that replacements have substantially the same or better qualifications or experience or the City of Westfield will be entitled to a 10% reduction in fees.
6. Similar Engagements with Other Government Entities
For the firm's office that will be assigned responsibility for the audit, list the most significant engagements (maximum - 5) performed in the last five years that are similar to the engagement described in this request for proposal. These engagements should be ranked on the basis of total staff hours. Indicate the scope of work, date, engagement partners, total hours, and the name and telephone number of the principal client contact.
7. Specific Audit Approach
The proposal should set forth a work plan, including an explanation of the audit methodology to be followed, to perform the services required in Section IV of this request for proposals. In developing the work plan, reference should be made to such sources of information as the City of Westfield's budget and related materials, organizational charts, manuals and programs, and financial and other management information systems.
Proposers will be required to provide the following information on their audit approach:
a. Proposed segmentation of the engagement
b. Level of staff and number of hours to be assigned to each proposed segment of the engagement. NO DOLLARS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL
c. Sample size and the extent to which statistical sampling is to be used in the engagement.
d. Extent of use of EDP software in the engagement.
e. Type and extent of analytical procedures to be used in the engagement.
f. Approach to be taken to gain and document an understanding of the City of Westfield's internal control structure.
g. Approach to be taken in determining laws and regulations that will be subject to audit test work.
h. Approach to be taken in drawing audit samples for purposes of tests of compliance.
8. Identification of Anticipated Potential Audit Problems
The proposal should identify and describe any anticipated potential audit problems, the firm's approach to resolving these problems and any special assistance that will be requested from the City of Westfield.
9. Report Format
The proposal should include sample formats for required reports.
NO DOLLAR AMOUNTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL.
C. Sealed Dollar Cost Proposal
1. Total All-Inclusive Maximum Price
The dollar cost proposal should contain all pricing information relative to performing the audit engagement as described in this request for proposals. The total all-inclusive maximum price to be bid is to contain all direct and indirect costs including all out-of-pocket expenses.
The City of Westfield will not be responsible for expenses incurred in preparing and submitting the technical proposal or the dollar cost proposal. Such costs should not be included in the proposal.
2. Fixed Fees by Category
The dollar cost proposal should include a schedule of professional fees and expenses, presented in the format provided in the attachment (Appendix A), that supports the total all-inclusive price.
3. The dollar cost that would be charged to create the Government-wide Statements using the information provided. The total all-inclusive maximum price to be proposed is to contain all direct and indirect costs including all out-of-pocket expenses.
4. Rates for Additional Professional Services
If it should become necessary for the Audit Committee to request the auditor to render any additional services requested in this request for proposals or to perform additional work as a result of the specific recommendations included in any report issued on this engagement, then such additional work shall be performed only if set forth in an addendum to the contract between the City of Westfield and the firm. Any such additional work agreed to between the City of Westfield and the firm shall be performed at the same rates set forth in the schedule of fees and expenses included in the dollar cost proposal in Appendix A.
5. Progress of Payment
Manner payments will be made on the basis of hours of work completed during the course of the engagement in accordance with the firm's dollar cost proposal. Interim billings shall cover a period of not less than a calendar month. The City reserves the right to withhold ten percent (10%) from each billing pending delivery of the firm's final reports.

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STATEOF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) CAUSE NO: 29D01-2410-EU-000438
In The Matter of the Estate
of JOSEPH POIO
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of October, 2024 Ben Resler is appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Joseph Poio, deceased, who died on August 17, 2024.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on this 3 day of October, 2024
Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
Timothy Stoesz
Stoesz & Stoesz, LLC
124 North 10th Street
Noblesville, IN 46060
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CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:
By / At: City of Noblesville, Indiana
Office of the Clerk
16 S. 10th Street
Noblesville, Indiana 46060
Project: Flasher Sign Replacement
Until: 09:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, October 29, 2024
Receipt of Bids: Bids received after the stated time will be returned unopened. Bids are to be submitted on the Bid Form as provided in the Project Manual and on Indiana State Board of Accounts Form No. 96 (revised 2013) as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana. Bidders shall submit financial data, statement of experience, proposed plan for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work, along with a properly signed Affidavit of Non-Collusion as required by Form No. 96. Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope, marked with the name and address of the Bidder, and clearly identified:
SEALED BID: Flasher Sign Replacement
Bid Opening: Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City of Noblesville at the Council Chambers, Noblesville, Indiana 46060, at 09:00 A.M., local time, Tuesday, October 29, 2024.
Qualification of Bidders: Bidder, or Sub-Contractor performing work type, must be on the most current Indiana Department of Transportation Pre-Qualified Contractors list at the date of the Bid Opening for the types of work involved with this project, including, but not limited to "Traffic Control: Signal Installation and Sign Installation"
The Work: The Work shall be completed by certified / qualified Contractor(s) and Subcontractor(s) for the Project all as required by the Bidding Documents which have been assembled into a bound Project Manual and consists of:
Base bid for which proposals are to be received is for the construction of Removal and replacement of various school zone flasher assemblies and pedestrian crossing RRFB assemblies.
Contract Award: Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the deadline for receipt of Bids, but no Bidder shall withdraw its Bid within sixty (60) days after the opening of the Bids. If a contract is awarded, it will be to the "lowest responsible and responsive bidder" in accordance with Indiana Code 36-1-12-1 et seq. The Owner, however, reserves the right to reject and/or cancel any and all Bids, solicitations and/or offers in whole or in part as specified in the solicitation when it is not in the best interests of the Owner, and waive any informalities, discrepancies, omissions, variances, or irregularities in bids received in its sole discretion. The Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned upon selection of the successful Bidder, execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance and Payment Bonds and Certificate of Insurance.
Bid Documents: Copies of the Specifications and Contract Documents may be obtained on or after October 14, 2024. Interested Bidders may obtain electronic Bidding Documents by sending an email to rgulley@noblesville.in.gov and dochoa@noblesville.in.gov requesting instructions to download project documents.
Submit all bid questions in writing to City of Noblesville - Engineering Department prior to 12:00PM, local time on Thursday, October 24, 2024. Questions will only be accepted from firms on the official Plan Holders list. A written response will be emailed to the address on the official Plan Holder's list that is required to be completed at the time the plans are purchased. No questions will be answered by telephone. The contact person for questions is:
Andrew Rodewald, PE
City of Noblesville Engineering Department
Email: arodewald@noblesville.in.gov
Carbon Copy Question To:
Rene Gulley
Street Department
Email: rgulley@noblesville.in.gov
Bidders shall assure that they have obtained complete sets of Bidding Documents and the Project Manual and shall assume the risk of any errors or omissions in Bids prepared in reliance on incomplete sets of Bidding Documents or Project Manual. Bids must be submitted on the forms contained in the Project Manual and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein.
Bid Security:
Each Bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a Bid Bond as provided in the Project Manual in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety qualified to do business in the State of Indiana or by a certified check made payable to the City of Noblesville, on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the total Bid including alternates. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be security that the successful Bidder will, within ten (10) calendar days or such other time specified by Owner from the acceptance of the Bid, execute the Agreement and provide the required Payment and Performance Bonds, included in the Project Manual and Certificate of Insurance.
Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond:
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on the Form provided in the Project Manual, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement. The surety of the Performance Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
The Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond with a good and sufficient surety as required by the Owner on Form provided in the Project Manual, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, its subcontractors, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
Flasher Sign Replacement NTB-3 CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
3801091(v2) Notice to Bidders 2020
All out-of-state bidder corporations must have a Certificate of Authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
CITY OF NOBLESVILLE
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WILLIAM J. DALE, JR.
ANN M. O'HARA
DALE & EKE, P.C.
9100 Keystone Crossing, Suite 400
Indianapolis, Indiana 46240
Phone: (317) 844-7400
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
In the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
In the Matter of the Estate of Sherrill L. O'Cull, Deceased
Estate No.: 29D01-2409-EU-000420
Notice is hereby given that Kevin R. O'Cull was on September 24, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Sherrill L. O'Cull, deceased, who died on the 14th day of September, 2024.
All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on September 24, 2024
Kathy Kreg Williams,
Clerk of the Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
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29D01-2409-EU-000427
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT NO. 1
In Re: the Estate of Elizabeth Jane Hein, Deceased.
Cause No.: 29D01-2409-EU-000427
Notice is hereby given that City National Bank N.A. was, on the 30 day of September, 2024, appointed personal representative of the Estate of Elizabeth Jane Hein, Deceased, who died on the 15th day of August, 2024. The personal representative is authorized to administer the estate without court supervision.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
DATED at Noblesville, Indiana, on September 30, 2024.
Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court No. 1
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29D01-2409-EU-000434
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
IN THE ESTATE OF STEPHEN H. LARSEN, DECEASED
Notice is hereby given that on October 2, 2024, Glenn Larsen was appointed as Executor/Personal Representative of the Estate of Stephen H. Larsen, deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or said claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana, this October 2, 2024.
Kathy Kreg Williams
Clerk, Hamilton Superior Court
Kent Emswiller (#6709-49)
kemswiller@ewnc-law.com
Emswiller, Williams, Noland & Clarke, LLC
8500 Keystone Crossing, Ste. 500
Indianapolis, IN 46240
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VII. EVALUATION PROCEDURES

A. Selection Personnel
Proposals submitted will be evaluated by the Audit Committee.
B. Evaluation Criteria
The following represent the principal selection criteria which will be considered during the evaluation process of proposals.
1. Mandatory Elements
a. The audit firm is independent and licensed to practice in Indiana.
b. The audit firm's professional personnel have received adequate continuing professional education within the preceding three years.
c. The firm has no conflict of interest with regard to any other work performed by the firm for the City of Westfield.
d. The firm submits a copy of its most recent external quality control review report, and the firm has a record of quality audit work.
e. The firm adheres to the instructions in this request for proposals on preparing and submitting the proposal.
f. The firm submits copies of at least two Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports issued by Indiana municipalities in which their opinion is contained. At least one of these reports shall have been awarded the GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting within the past three years.
2. Technical Qualifications
a. Expertise and Experience
i. The firm's past experience and performance on comparable government engagements.
ii. The quality of the firm's professional personnel to be assigned to the engagement and the quality of the firm's management support personnel to be available for technical consultation.
iii. Experience with the preparation of federal and state financial assistance and related reports.
iv. Experience in providing assistance to meet the requirements of the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting program.
b. Audit Approach
i. Service Delivery Plan: Describe how the firm intends to conduct the audit in the first year versus subsequent years. Describe the service delivery system including what will be done, by whom, how and where. Provide detail on staffing requirements. Describe how the services will be coordinated and monitored and how access to them will be ensured through entrance conferences, progress reporting, and exit conferences.
3. Price - Cost will not be the primary factor in the selection of an audit firm.
C. Oral Presentations
During the evaluation process, the selection personnel may, at their discretion, request any one or all firms to make oral presentations. Such presentations will provide firms with an opportunity to answer any questions the selection personnel may have on a firm's proposal. Not all firms may be asked to make such oral presentations.
D. Final Selection
The selection personnel will recommend a firm for approval by the Audit Committee. It is anticipated that a firm will be selected by November 12, 2024. Following notification of the firm selected, it is expected a contract will be executed between both parties within thirty (30) days of approval.
E. Right to Reject Proposals
Submission of a proposal indicates acceptance by the firm of the conditions contained in this request for proposals unless clearly and specifically noted in the proposal submitted and confirmed in the contract between the City of Westfield and the firm selected.
The City of Westfield reserves the right without prejudice to reject any or all proposals or parts thereof for any reason, to negotiate changes to proposal terms and to waive minor inconsistencies with the request for proposal.

APPENDIX A

PROPOSAL FOR AUDITING SERVICES

Name of firm
Location of office staffing the audit
Professional audit staff assigned to City of Westfield (Number)
Certified professional audit staff assigned to City of Westfield (Number)
Indiana municipal audit clients:
List fiscal years 2021,2022, & 2023 engagements for municipalities with population of 40,000 or higher.
Audit Fees for Year 1
City Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
All associated component units
Audits required or necessary for federal financial assistance
Findings of noncompliance with state law and uniform compliance guidelines as required by IC 5-11-5-1
A separate report in accordance with the guidelines established by the state board of accounts for any items of noncompliance identified.
Hourly rate in excess of fixed fee allowance or for audit services outside the scope of the annual audit
Hours provided for in above stated fees:
Partner-in-charge and review partner
Supervising manager
Audit Staff
Audit Fees for Year 2
City Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
All associated component units
Audits required or necessary for federal financial assistance
Findings of noncompliance with state law and uniform compliance guidelines as required by IC 5-11-5-1
A separate report in accordance with the guidelines established by the state board of accounts for any items of noncompliance identified.
Hourly rate in excess of fixed fee allowance audit services outside the scope of the annual audit
Hours provided for in above stated fees:
Partner-in-charge and review partner
Supervising manager
Audit Staff
Audit Fees for Year 3
City Annual Comprehensive Financial Report
All associated component units
Audits required or necessary for federal financial assistance
Findings of noncompliance with state law and uniform compliance guidelines as required by IC 5-11-5-1
A separate report in accordance with the guidelines established by the state board of accounts for any items of noncompliance identified.
Hourly rate in excess of fixed fee allowance audit services outside the scope of the annual audit
Hours provided for in above stated fees:
Partner-in-charge and review partner
Supervising manager
Audit Staff

(Firm)

(Authorized Signature) (Title)

(Telephone) (Date)

APPENDIX B

PROPOSER GUARANTEES AND PROPOSER WARRANTIES

Proposer Guarantees
1. The proposer certifies it can and will provide and make available, at a minimum, all services set forth in Section IV, Nature of Services Required.
Proposer Warranties
1. Proposer warrants that it is willing and able to comply with State of Indiana laws with respect to foreign (non-state of Indiana) corporations.
2. Proposer warrants that it is willing and able to obtain an errors and omissions insurance policy providing a prudent amount of coverage for the willful or negligent acts, or omissions of any officers, employees or agents thereof.
3. Proposer warrants that it will not delegate or subcontract its responsibilities under an agreement without the express prior written permission of the City of Westfield.
4. Proposer warrants that all information provided by it in connection with this proposal is true and accurate.
Signature of Official:
Name (typed):
Title:
Firm:
Date:

APPENDIX C

Insurance Exhibit - Financial Auditing Service

The Auditor (hereinafter called the Contractor) shall procure insurance coverage against claims that may arise from, or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors. The Contractor shall keep all the required insurance in force continuously pursuant to their responsibility described in this contract, including any and all extensions. The Contractor shall pay all costs, premiums, and audit charges earned and payable under the required insurance.
For the purpose of this exhibit: the term "Contractor" shall also include their respective agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors; and the term "City of Westfield" (hereinafter called the "City") shall include their respective officers, agents, officials, employees, volunteers, boards and commissions.
A. Minimum Scope and Limits of Insurance:
The insurance required shall be written for not less than the scope and limits of insurance specified in this exhibit, or required by applicable federal, state and/or municipal law, regulation or requirement, whichever coverage is greater. It is agreed that the scope and limits of insurance coverage specified in this exhibit are minimum requirements and shall in no way limit or exclude the City from additional limits and coverage provided under the Contractor's policies.
1) Commercial General Liability:
\$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, property damage, contractual liability and products /completed operations.
2) Automobile Liability and Physical Damage Coverage:
\$500,000 combined single limit per occurrence for any auto, including statutory uninsured/underinsured motorists' coverage and \$1,000 medical payments. Policy to include collision and comprehensive coverage for any auto used for the purpose of this contract.
3) Workers' Compensation:
Coverage A / Workers' Compensation: statutory limits as required by the Labor Code of the State of Indiana.
Coverage B / Employer's Liability: limits of \$100,000 each accident, \$500,000 disease/policy limit, \$100,000 disease/each employee. If the Contractor decides not to procure workers' compensation in accordance with Indiana law, the Contractor agrees to comply with the Indiana Workers' Compensation Act's (Act) requirements for withdrawing from the provisions of the Act, including, but not limited to, filing the appropriate notice of withdrawal with the commissioner. The Contractor is wholly responsible for taking the actions necessary to withdraw from the provisions of the Act. In lieu of procuring workers' compensation insurance and providing the City with proof thereof, the Contractor agrees to hold the City of Westfield, their respective boards and commissions, officers, agents, officials, employees, servants, volunteers, contractors and representatives harmless from any and all suits, claims, and actions arising from personal injuries sustained by the Contractor or Contractor's employees during the course of the performance of this contract, however caused.
4) Crime & Fidelity:
Coverage A - \$1,000,000 Employee Theft
Coverage B - \$1,000,000 Forgery & Alteration
Coverage C - \$1,000,000 Theft of Monies & Securities
Coverage D - \$1,000,000 Robbery & Safe Burglary
The Contractor shall provide that the bonding company name the City of Westfield as Loss Payee for purposes of this Contract.
5) Professional Liability:
\$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate each claim.
6) Personal Property:
"All risk" insurance on a replacement cost basis to cover the value of personal property belonging to the Contractor and others (including but not limited to the personal property of subcontractors) located on City property while in use or in storage for the duration of the contract. Deductible not to exceed \$1,000. The Contractor agrees that the City will not assume any responsibility for the Contractor's personal property.
B. Additional Insured Endorsement:
All liability policies (with the exception of Worker's Compensation and Professional Liability) shall have the City of Westfield, and their respective officers, agents, officials, employees, volunteers, boards and commissions endorsed as an Additional Insured with respect to liability arising out of or in connection with the activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor; products and completed operations of the Contractor; premises owned, leased, or used by the Contractor; or automobiles owned, leased, hired or borrowed by the Contractor. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the City.
C. Acceptability of Insurers:
Contractor's policies shall be written by insurance companies licensed to do business in the State of Indiana, with a Best's rating of no less than A: VII, or otherwise deemed acceptable by the City's Director Enterprise Development.
D. Subcontractors:
Contractor shall include all subcontractors as insured under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverage for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.
E. Waiver of Subrogation:
Contractor shall provide that all insurance policies include a waiver of subrogation clause that states that it is agreed that in no event shall the insurance company have any right of recovery against the City. When the Contractor is selfinsured, it is agreed that in no event shall the Contractor have any right of recovery against the City.
F. Claims-Made Form:
If the insurance coverage is underwritten on a claims-made basis, the retroactive date shall be prior to or coincident with the date of the contract. The certificate of insurance shall state the retroactive date, and that the coverage is claims-made. The Contractor shall maintain coverage for the duration of the contract and for the two (2) years following the completion of the contract. Evidence of such coverage shall be provided to the City thirty (30) days prior to each policy expiration.
G. Aggregate Limits:
If a general aggregate is used, the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the project or shall be twice the occurrence limit. All aggregate limits must be declared to the City. It is agreed that the Contractor shall notify the City with reasonable promptness with information concerning the erosion of limits due to claims paid under the general aggregate during the contract term. If the aggregate limit is eroded, the Contractor agrees to reinstate or purchase additional limits to meet the minimum limit requirements stated herein. The Contractor shall pay the premium.
H. Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions:
Contractor must declare any deductibles or self-insured retentions to the City. All deductibles or self-insured retentions are the sole responsibility of the Contractor to pay and/or to indemnify.
I. Notice of Cancellation or Nonrenewal:
For other than non-payment of premium, each insurance policy required by this exhibit shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, or reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the City. Ten (10) days prior written notice shall be given for non-payment of premium.
J. Other Insurance Provisions:
The policies are to contain, or be endorsed to contain, the following provisions:
1) Liability Coverage
a. The Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance with respect to the City. Any insurance or selfinsurance maintained by the City shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
b. Coverage shall state that the Contractor's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom a claim is made, or suit is brought.
c. Any failure to comply with the claim reporting provisions of the policy shall not affect coverage provided to the City.
K. Verification of Coverage:
The Contractor shall provide the City of Westfield with certificates of insurance, declaration pages, policy endorsements or provisions confirming compliance with this exhibit before work commences. The certificates and endorsements for each insurance policy are to be signed by a person authorized by the insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. Renewal of expiring certificates shall be filed thirty (30) days prior to expiration. The City reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required policies, at any time.
All insurance documents required by this exhibit should be mailed to: City of Westfield, Director of Enterprise Development, 2728 East 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana 46074.
L. Failure to Purchase or Maintain Insurance:
If the City or the Contractor is damaged by failure of the Contractor to purchase or maintain insurance required by this exhibit, the Contractor shall bear all reasonable costs including, but not limited to, attorney's fees and costs of litigation, properly attributable thereto.

Initials/ Contractor Date

Initials/ City of Westfield Date

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received:
By: Carmel Clay Schools
5201 E. Main Street
Carmel, IN 46033
For: Carmel Clay School District Witsken Tennis Complex
Renovations
520 E. Main Street
Carmel, IN 46032
At: 5201 E. Main Street, Carmel, IN 46033
Until: 2:00 PM (local time), October 24, 2024
Bid Opening:
Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:00 PM (local time), at Carmel Clay Schools Educational Services, 5201 E. Main St., Carmel, IN 46033.
All work for the complete construction of the Project will be under one or more prime contracts with the Owner based on bids received and on combinations awarded. The Construction Manager will manage the construction of the Project. Construction shall be in full accordance with the Bidding Documents which are on file with the Owner and may be examined by prospective bidders at the following locations:
Office of the Construction Manager
The Skillman Corporation
3834 S. Emerson Avenue, Building A
Indianapolis, IN 46203
The Skillman Plan Room
www.skillmanplanroom.com
Prime and Non-Prime Contract Bidders must place an order on www.skillmanplanroom.com to be able to download documents electronically or request printed documents. There is no cost for downloading the bidding documents. Bidders desiring printed documents shall pay for the cost of printing, shipping and handling. Reprographic Services are provided by: Eastern Engineering 9901 Allisonville Road, Fishers, IN 46038, Phone 317-598-0661.
WAGE SCALE: Wage Scale does not apply to this project.
A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on October 8, 2024 at 9:00AM, local time, via Microsoft Teams, link below. Attendance by bidders is optional, but recommended, in order to clarify or answer questions concerning the Drawings and Project Manual for the Project.
Microsoft Teams Need help?
Join the meeting now
Meeting ID: 289 721 700 640
Passcode: KTve54
Dial in by phone
+1 317-762-3960,,946845658# United States, Indianapolis
Find a local number
Phone conference ID: 946 845 658#
Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the Bid must accompany each Bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.
The successful Bidders will be required to furnish Performance and Payment Bonds for one hundred percent (100%) of their Contract amount prior to execution of Contracts.
Contractors submitting bids for the performance of any Work as specified in this building Project should make such Bids to Carmel Clay Schools. Contractors are advised that the Contract as finally entered into with any successful Bidder may be entered into with either the School Corporation or the Building Corporation or certain portions of the Contract may be entered into by both the School Corporation and the Building Corporation.
The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any Bid (or combination of Bids) and to waive any irregularities in bidding. All Bids may be held for a period not to exceed 60 days before awarding contracts.
Carmel Clay Schools
By: Tabitha Hughes, Capital Projects Manager
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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF HAMILTON) ESTATE DOCKET: 29D02-2409-EU-000430
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED
ESTATE OF KAREN E. FULLER, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA.
In the matter of the Estate of Karen E. Fuller, Deceased.
Cause Number 29002-2409-EU-000430
Notice is hereby given that on September 30, 2024, Diana D. Brehob was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate Karen E. Fuller, deceased, who died on the 25th day of July, 2024. All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana on September 30, 2024
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk of Superior Court
Hamilton County, Indiana
This Instrument Prepared By:
Anderson & Gray, LLC
Aline F. Anderson and Jason S. Gray Attorneys at Law
7104 U.S. Highway 31 South
Indianapolis, IN 46227
(317) 888-8868
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Patricia Seasor Bailey
TUOHY BAILEY & MOORE, LLP
Suite 700, 50 South Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 638-2400
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE HAMILTON SUPERIOR COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF
MARY ANN NICASTRO, DECEASED.
CAUSE NO. 29D03-2409-EU-000400
Notice is hereby given that MARK NICASTRO was, on the 13th day of September, 2024, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary Ann Nicastro, deceased, who died on December 3, 2022.
All persons who have claims against this Estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Noblesville, Indiana this 13th day of September, 2024.
Kathy Kreag Williams
Clerk for the Hamilton Superior Court,
Probate Division
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06D01-2409-EU-000136

STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE BOONE SUPERIOR COURT
) SS:
COUNTY OF BOONE) ESTATE DOCKET: 06D01-2409-EU-000136
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED)
ESTATE OF SANDRA L. UMSTED,)
DECEASED.)
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that KRISTI L. SELKER was on September 5, 2024, appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of SANDRA L. UMSTED, deceased, who died on June 21, 2024.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
DATED AT , Indiana, this September 9, 2024
Lisa Bruder
Boone County Superior Court
Attorney for personal representative:
Doris Brauman Moore
Brauman Moore Law Offices
128 East Main Street
Brownsburg, Indiana 46112
Telephone: 317-858-5000
Fax: 317-858-5009
Attorney Number: 21958-32
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Noblesville, Indiana
As required by Indiana Code 5-23-5-9, notice is hereby given that the City of Noblesville, Indiana, Board of Public Works and Safety (the "Board") will hold a public hearing at its meeting on October 29, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. concerning the recommendation to award a public-private agreement (the "BOT Agreement") for the design, construction, renovation and equipping of the City's wastewater treatment plant, North Sludge Building, Sludge Storage Barn and the Headworks all located at 197 Washington Street in the City (the "Project") in accordance with Indiana Code 5-23, as amended. The hearing will be held in person at the Noblesville City Hall, City Hall Council Chambers, 16 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060 (the "City Hall").
Pursuant to Indiana Code 5-23, as amended, the Board issued a request for proposals and qualifications for the design, construction, renovation and equipping of the Project and related improvements to be located in the City of Noblesville, Indiana. After review and analysis of proposals received, a recommendation has been made to the Board to award the BOT Agreement to Thieneman Construction, Inc. Copies of the proposals and a written explanation of the basis upon which the recommendation is being made are with the Board, and are available for public inspection and copying at the City Hall, by appointment made during regular business hours by calling Jonathan Mirgeaux, PE, Director, Utilities Department, at 317-776-6353, extension 3001. The public is invited to comment on any of the matters herein noted, and all taxpayers, residents, or interested parties who appear (in person or via zoom) will be given a reasonable opportunity to express their views on the recommendation.
Dated this 10th day of October, 2024.
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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS REGARDING DETERMINATION TO ISSUE BONDS OF THE CITY OF FISHERS, INDIANA

The taxpayers of the City of Fishers, Indiana (the "City") are hereby given notice that the Common Council of the City determined, at its meeting held October 7, 2024, to issue the City of Fishers, Indiana General Obligation Bonds, Series 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$14,300,000 (the "Bonds"). The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance (i) the construction of improvements to and repair of roads and neighborhood streets, (ii) the construction of certain trail improvements, and (iii) the acquisition of certain public safety and other equipment, including vehicles, for the use of the City (collectively, the "Projects"). The proceeds of the Bonds will also be used to pay preliminary expenses related to such Projects and all related and incidental expenses incurred in connection therewith, and to pay the costs of selling and issuing the Bonds.
The proposed Bonds will have a final maturity no later than January 1, 2026, and will bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 6.00% per annum, the exact rate or rates to be determined by bidding or by negotiation. The Bonds will be payable from ad valorem property taxes levied and collected on all taxable property within the City.
Dated this 16th day of October, 2024.
CITY OF FISHERS, INDIANA
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Public Notices Deadline: 11:00 a.m. 2 Business Days Prior to Publication: legals@thetimes24-7.com

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**CITY OF WESTFIELD, INDIANA
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Page 4**

APPENDIX D
John Rogers
Director Enterprise Development
City of Westfield
2728 East 171st Street
Westfield, Indiana 46074
Dear Mr. Rogers:
We have read the Request for Proposals and fully understand its intent and contents. We certify that we have adequate personnel, insurance, equipment, and facilities to fulfill the specified requirements. We understand that our ability to meet the criteria and provide the required services shall be judged solely by the selection personnel.
We have attached the following:
1. Audited ACFR reports for two (2) clients as outlined in Section IV, B.
2. Proposal as outlined in Section VI
3. Appendix A: Proposal for Auditing Services (separate envelope).
4. Appendix B: Proposer Guarantees and Warranties Insurance
5. Appendix C: Insurance Statement.
It is further understood and agreed that all information included in, attached to, or required by the Request for Proposals shall be public record upon delivery to the City of Westfield.
Submitted by: _____
(Firm) _____
(Authorized Signature) (Title) _____
(Telephone) (Date) _____

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Sealed proposals for 161st Street and Spring Mill Roundabout and Trail Extension and Pedestrian Bridge over John Edwards Drain will be received by the City of Westfield, Indiana, at the Westfield Public Works Building, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, Indiana, 46074 until 11:00 a.m., local time, on Wednesday, October 30th, 2024. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received later than the above time and date will be returned unopened. No conditional bids will be considered.
Project generally includes roadway re-construction with curb and gutter, curbed medians, storm sewers, multi-use path, sidewalk, curb ramps, pavement markings, signing, lighting, and pedestrian bridge construction.
Bids shall be properly and completely executed on the Proposal Form obtainable at the office of the Owner. Each bid shall be accompanied by Form 96 Contractor's Bid for Public Works, including Non-Collusion Affidavit as prescribed by the State Board of Accounts, completely filled out, signed, and notarized as required by the statutes of the State of Indiana, Section III of Part II of Form 96 titled "Contractor's Financial Statement," and acceptable bid security. The bid security shall be a certified check made payable to the Owner or satisfactory bond by an incorporated surety company in good standing and qualified to do business in the State of Indiana in an amount equal to 5% of the bid, said deposit being for the purpose of ensuring the execution of the contract for which bid is made. Any bid not accompanied by the above required items shall be deemed to be a non-responsive bid by the Owner.
No consideration for escalation on prices can be considered; therefore, contractors are advised to not include any such escalation clauses in their proposal for this project.
The Contractors to whom work is awarded shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price, and they shall be acceptable to the City of Westfield, Indiana.
No bidder may withdraw their proposal within a period of 60 days following the date set for receiving bids. The City of Westfield, Indiana reserves the right to retain the three lowest bid proposals for a period of not more than 90 days and said proposal shall remain in full force and effect during said time. The City of Westfield, Indiana further reserves the right to waive informalities and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder or bidders, all to the advantage of the City of Westfield, Indiana, or to reject all Proposals.
The Contract Documents and drawings will be available to all interested parties from: Repro Graphix, 437 North Illinois Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or at eplanroom.reprographix.com.
Please direct all questions regarding this project to Michael Pearce, City of Westfield, Department of Public Works, 2706 E. 171st Street, Westfield, IN 46074, (317) 473-2917, mpearce@westfield.in.gov
By: Michael Pearce, City of Westfield
TL21917 10/16 10/23 2t hspaxlp

NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC HEARING BY THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES OF CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
The citizens of Carmel Clay Schools, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "School Corporation"), are hereby notified that the Board of School Trustees (the "Board") of the School Corporation, proposes to undertake (i) the replacement of the kitchen hood in the Main Cafeteria at Carmel High School; (ii) the installation of an early childhood playground at Woodbrook Elementary School; (iii) technology improvements throughout the School Corporation including but not limited to improvements consisting of districtwide devices (laptops) for students and staff, network equipment and various classroom technology equipment (projectors, sound enhancement, etc.); and (iv) other miscellaneous facility improvements, equipping and land improvements and/or acquisition projects throughout the geographical boundaries of the School Corporation; (clauses (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) collectively, the "2024 General Obligation Bond Project");
Furthermore, the citizens of the School Corporation are hereby notified that the Board proposes to issue general obligation bonds of the School Corporation in one or more series or issues, in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed Six Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,250,000), to be designated as the "Carmel Clay Schools, Hamilton County, Indiana, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2024" (the "Bonds"), for the purpose of procuring funds to pay for all or a portion of the costs of the 2024 General Obligation Bond Project and to pay for all or a portion of the costs associated therewith, including, but not limited to, the expenses in connection with or on account of the issuance of the Bonds therefor. The Bonds shall have a final maturity date of no later than January 15, 2029, and bear interest at a maximum rate or rates not to exceed five percent (5.00%) per annum, the exact rate or rates to be determined by bidding.
Notice is hereby given that the Board will, on October 28, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. (local time), at the School Corporation's Educational Services Center, located at 5201 East Main Street, Carmel, Indiana, conduct a public hearing (1) to explain the potential value of the 2024 General Obligation Bond Project to the School Corporation and the community, and (2) regarding the matter of appropriating the proceeds of the Bonds and investment earnings thereon.
All interested parties are entitled and encouraged to attend to present their testimony and ask any questions relative to the 2024 General Obligation Bond Project or the Bonds.
Subsequent to the public hearing, the Board expects to consider adoption of a resolution regarding the nature of the 2024 General Obligation Bond Project and to consider adoption of a resolution regarding the appropriating of the proceeds of the Bonds and the investment earnings thereon for the purposes described herein.
Dated this 17th day of October, 2024.
CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
By: Secretary, Board of School Trustees
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The following will be sold for charges:
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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS REGARDING DECISION TO ISSUE BONDS OF THE CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
The taxpayers of the Carmel Clay Schools, Hamilton County, Indiana (the "School Corporation"), are hereby notified that on October 15, 2024, the Board of School Trustees of the School Corporation (the "Board"), adopted a resolution which determined that the School Corporation will issue general obligation bonds of the School Corporation, payable out of ad valorem property taxes collected by the School Corporation on all taxable property within the geographical boundaries of the School Corporation, to be designated "Carmel Clay Schools, Indiana, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2014" in an original aggregate principal amount not to exceed Six Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,250,000), with a final maturity ending no later than January 15, 2029, and bearing interest at a rate or rates not exceeding five percent (5.00%), the exact rate or rates to be determined by bidding (the "Bonds"). The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to pay for all or a portion of the cost to undertake (i) the replacement of the kitchen hood in the Main Cafeteria at Carmel High School; (ii) the installation of an early childhood playground at Woodbrook Elementary School; (iii) technology improvements throughout the School Corporation including but not limited to improvements consisting of districtwide devices (laptops) for students and staff, network equipment and various classroom technology equipment (projectors, sound enhancement, etc.); and (iv) other miscellaneous facility improvements, equipping and land improvements and/or acquisition projects throughout the geographical boundaries of the School Corporation.
Dated this 17th day of October, 2024.
CARMEL CLAY SCHOOLS, HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA
By: Secretary, Board of School Trustees
TL21921 10/16 10/23 2t hspaxlp

**CARMEL UTILITIES
30 West Main St., Suite 220
Carmel, Indiana 46032
ADVERTISEMENT / NOTICE TO BIDDERS
CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA
West Ground Storage Tank Booster Pump Station**
Sealed Bids for the City of Carmel, Indiana's "West Ground Storage Tank Booster Pump Station" project, will be received by the City of Carmel, Indiana, ("Owner") at the following address:
Office of the Clerk of the City
Carmel City Hall (third floor) 1 Civic Square Carmel, IN 46032
Bids will be received until Wednesday November 20, 2024, at 9:45 AM, local time.
Any Bid received after this time will be returned to the Bidder unopened. The Bids will be publicly opened and read during the Board of Public Works meeting which will start at 10:00 AM November 20, 2024. Bid envelopes should be clearly marked "Bid Enclosed - West Ground Storage Tank Booster Pump Station" on the outside of the envelope and as otherwise specified in the "Instructions to Bidders". Please order the Bid such that the "Bid Summary" is the first page when opened.
In general, the work consists of constructing an approximately 3,000 square foot masonry block wall building housing three vertical turbine pumps along with associated piping, site work, and appurtenances.
Copies of the Bidding Documents may be examined without charge at the office of the Utility Director or by contacting the Engineer. Bidders are encouraged to retrieve Bidding Documents online from the Eastern Engineering Plan Room so that Bidders may promptly receive applicable addenda and notifications.
Any questions prior to the bid should be directed to the Engineer:
Philip Teague, PE
pteague@jheng.com (preferred)
419-277-6039
Bids must be submitted on the forms found in the Bid package and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein, and shall be accompanied by:
(1) Revised Form No. 96 as prescribed by the Indiana Board of Account and

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION
Notice is hereby given to the taxpayers of the City of Noblesville, Indiana ("City") that the Common Council of the City will meet in the Noblesville City Hall Council Chambers, 16 S. 10th Street, Noblesville, Indiana, at the hour of 7:00 p.m. (Local Time) on October 29, 2024, to conduct a public hearing and consider an appropriation of the proceeds of the Capital Projects Short-Term General Obligation Bonds of 2024, Series B in the estimated amount of \$3,419,402, but not to exceed the amount of \$13,000,000 for the purpose of providing funds for the costs of funding capital improvements to Pleasant Street, a significant east-west thoroughfare in the City and other road and street capital projects within the City limits, together with all necessary appurtenances, related improvements, equipment and incidental expenses in connection therewith, and the incidental expenses in connection therewith and on account of the issuance of certain general obligation bonds therefor. The funds to meet such additional appropriation are to be provided by the issuance and sale of such bonds by the City.
The foregoing appropriations are in addition to all appropriations provided for in the existing budget and tax levy.
Taxpayers of the City appearing at said meeting shall have the right to be heard in respect to said additional appropriations.
Dated October 16, 2024.
/s/Jeff Spalding, Controller
City of Noblesville, Indiana
TL21923 10/16 1t hspaxlp

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30 West Main St., Suite 220
Carmel, Indiana 46032
ADVERTISEMENT / NOTICE TO BIDDERS
CITY OF CARMEL, INDIANA
West Ground Storage Tank**
Sealed Bids for the City of Carmel, Indiana's "West Ground Storage Tank" project, will be received by the City of Carmel, Indiana, ("Owner") at the following address:
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In general, the work consists of constructing a 2-million-gallon potable water storage reservoir, related site work, and appurtenances. This shall be a circular wire-wound prestressed concrete tank constructed in accordance with AWWA D-110 and other applicable standards.
Copies of the Bidding Documents may be examined without charge at the office of the Utility Director or by contacting the Engineer. Bidders are encouraged to retrieve Bidding Documents online from the Eastern Engineering Plan Room so that Bidders may promptly receive applicable addenda and notifications.
Due to the specialized nature of this work, Bids will only be accepted from prequalified Contractors. Currently the prequalified Contractors are "DN Tanks" and "Preload LLC". Others seeking to be prequalified should contact the Engineer at the address below. Minimum qualifications are provided in the "Instructions to Bidders" section.
Any questions prior to the bid should be directed to the Engineer:
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West Ground Storage Tank City of Carmel, Indiana
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Bids must be submitted on the forms found in the Bid package and must contain the names of every person or company interested therein, and shall be accompanied by:
(1) Revised Form No. 96 as prescribed by the Indiana Board of Account and as required in the Instruction to Bidders, including a financial statement, a statement of experience, a proposed plan or plans for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work.
(2) Bid Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total Bid amount, including alternates with a satisfactory corporate surety or by a certified check on a solvent bank in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the Bid. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be evidence of good faith that the successful Bidder will execute within fifteen (15) calendar days from the acceptance of the Bid, the Agreement as included in the Bidding Documents. The Bid Bond or certified check shall be made payable to the Owner.
Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled deadline for receipt of Bids, but no bidder shall withdraw his Bid within sixty (60) days after the actual opening of the Bids.
All Bid Bonds and certified checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned by the Owner upon selection of the successful Bidder and execution of the Agreement, and provision of the required Performance Bond and Payment Bond.
The Contractor must conform to the antidiscrimination provisions of Ind. Code §5-16-6 et seq.
A Performance Bond with good and sufficient surety, acceptable to the Owner and Engineer, shall be required of the successful Bidder in an amount equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price, conditioned upon the faithful performance of the Agreement.
The Contractor shall execute a Payment Bond to the Owner, approved by Owner and Engineer and for the benefit of the Owner, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price. The Payment Bond is binding on the Contractor, their subcontractor, and their successors and assigns for the payment of all indebtedness to a person for labor and services performed, material furnished, or services rendered. The Payment Bond must state that it is for the benefit of the subcontractors, laborers, material suppliers, and those performing services. The surety of the Payment Bond may not be released until one (1) year after the Owner's final settlement with the Contractor.
All out-of-state corporations must have a certificate of authority to do business in the State. Application forms may be obtained by contacting the Secretary of State, State of Indiana, Statehouse, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
John Duffy
Utilities Director
City of Carmel, Indiana
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PARADE From Page A1
To encourage the holiday spirit, the Holiday in Lights Parade will include awards for the best holiday-themed entry, best use of lights, and most hometown-inspired. City departments also will compete against one another for a decoration award.
Santa Claus will be the last entry in the parade, and participants should not include him in their float.
Registration is \$25 per entry and will be accepted until Monday, Dec. 2. Parade forms can be completed online at www.cityofnoblesville.org/parade. Like other city parades, entry fees will be waived for all nonprofit and youth organizations that want to participate. Please

make checks payable to the City of Noblesville. Completed forms may be mailed with payment to Holiday in Lights Parade, Noblesville City Hall, 16 South 10th Street, Noblesville, IN 46060. Forms also may be emailed to rherrington@noblesville.in.gov.
Check-in will take place starting at 5:15 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Hamilton County – Ivy Tech Community College campus. Participants should enter the parking lot from North 17th Street or Harrison Street. Volunteers will be onsite to help stage vehicles to exit the parking lot's North Entrance. The Ivy Tech Community College parking lot will also serve as a meeting point for participants and families after the parade.

West Ground Storage Tank Booster Pump Station City of Carmel, Indiana Advertisement for Bids Page 2 of 2 as required in the Instruction to Bidders, including a financial statement, a statement of experience, a proposed plan or plans for performing the Work and the equipment the Bidder has available for the performance of the Work.
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John Duffy
Utilities Director
City of Carmel, Indiana
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Hocus Pick-Ups at Humane Society

What's a shelter pet's biggest fear? Being stuck within the same four walls day after day - it can do scary things to an animal. In an attempt to keep the pets in their care from going downright batty, the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC) has conjured up an adoption special - Hocus Pick-Ups. From now through Oct. 31, cat and dog adoptions will be \$31 (some exclusions apply).
"It's not just a bunch of hocus pocus, these animals need you to step up and

save them," said Lily Darling, Community Engagement Manager for HSHC. "If there was a spell to get these pets into loving forever homes, we would have cast it already. Please give them the chance to show you just how magical they truly are."
Things to know for the Hocus Pick-Ups Adoption Special:
• Those interested in adopting a cat or dog can fill out an application in advance at hshcadoptions.com.

- If you are interested in adopting a dog, bring your current dog(s) with you to meet.
- All humans in the household must meet with the animal.
- If you rent or lease, bring a copy of your pet policy.
- All adoptions include spay/neuter, microchip, one round of vaccinations/deworming, wellness exam, and a bag of starter food.
- Must present a government-issued ID.

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HHMS Team Advances to State

Two Hamilton Heights Middle School teams and a senior from Hamilton Heights High School recently competed in the Area 6 Soils Judging Competition held in the Shelby County area. Soils judging involves members demonstrating their understanding of soil physical properties and corresponding best use management practices for farmland use and/or home site development. Members are tested on their abilities to determine soil texture, drainage, slope and determine if the site is eligible for various uses. While at the area contest students judged four different holes. Taking home first place honors in the junior division, the HH FFA Juniors 1 team, consisting of Annie Sheller (1st Individual), Jackson Fite (3rd Individual), Hallie Sheller (4th Individual) and Kaylee Smith (11th Individual), advance to state level competition.



Hamilton Heights Middle School and High School students who participated in the recent Soils Judging contest in Shelby County included: Back row from left, Marshall Frye (HHHS), Kaylee Smith, Hallie Sheller, Annie Sheller and Jackson Fite. Front Row from left, James Fenelon, Abby Sheller, Zoe Kincaid and Davie Sheller.



Members of HH Juniors 1st team advance to state for the Soils Judging contest are, from left, Kaylee Smith, Hallie Sheller, Abby Sheller and Jackson Fite.



Hamilton Heights Middle School's Junior 2nd team members are, from left, Abby Sheller, James Fenelon, Davie Sheller and Zoe Kincaid.

"Annie's score, as a junior competitor, was the best overall score," said Emilie Carson. "Technically, she won the entire contest!" The top junior team's score would have placed second in the senior division!"

HHMS Juniors 2, consisting of Davie Sheller (6th Individual), Abby Sheller (9th Individual), James Fenelon (12th Individual) and Zoe Kincaid (13th Individual) also performed well,

placing 3rd in the junior division.

HHHS Marshall Frye was the lone senior competitor for HH FFA. Marshall finished 30th individually in the contest. "For the past few years, Heights has not been as active in Soils Judging," added Carson. "Thanks to coach Adam Sheller, our soils judging teams are ramping back up and it's exciting to see these young FFA members get involved early and be competitive."

Coach Adam Sheller

said, "With a couple of junior teams like this, our future looks bright in soils judging. Every coach and competitor dreams of that Oklahoma red dirt (National Soils Judging Competition) and with teams starting this early it makes that goal attainable."

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