

**MAGNOLIA CREEK COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
DISTRICT OFFICE • 120 Richard Jackson Blvd., Suite 220, Panama City Beach, FL 32407**

February 5, 2014

Board of Supervisors
**Magnolia Creek Community
Development District**

Dear Board Members:

A meeting of the **Audit Review Committee** of the Magnolia Creek Community Development District will be held on **Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 2:30 p.m. (CST)** at the Walton County Coastal Branch Library, located at 437 Greenway Trail, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459. The following is the advance agenda for the meeting.

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**
- 2. BUSINESS ITEMS**
 - A. Presentation of the Audit Proposal Instruction and Evaluation Criteria (with pricing)
 - B. Presentation of the Audit Proposal Instruction and Evaluation Criteria (without pricing)
- 3. COMMENTS/ADJOURNMENT**

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 850-334-9055.

Sincerely,

Debi Anderson

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District Manager

cc: Michael Eckert, Darby Scott, Hopping Green & Sams, P.A.
Rick Moore, Moore Bass Consulting, Inc.

**Magnolia Creek Community Development District
Request for Proposals**

**District Auditing Services for Fiscal Year 2013-2014
Walton County, Florida**

INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

SECTION 1. DUE DATE. Sealed proposals must be received no later than _____ at **12:00 p.m.**, at the offices of District Manager, located at 120 Richard Jackson Blvd., Suite 220, Panama City Beach, FL 32407.

SECTION 2. FAMILIARITY WITH THE LAW. By submitting a proposal, the Proposer is assumed to be familiar with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations that in any manner affect the work. Ignorance on the part of the Proposer will in no way relieve it from responsibility to perform the work covered by the proposal in compliance with all such laws, ordinances and regulations.

SECTION 3. QUALIFICATIONS OF PROPOSER. The contract, if awarded, will only be awarded to a responsible Proposer who is qualified by experience and licensing to do the work specified herein. The Proposer shall submit with its proposal satisfactory evidence of experience in similar work and show that it is fully prepared to complete the work to the satisfaction of the District.

SECTION 4. SUBMISSION OF ONLY ONE PROPOSAL. Proposers shall be disqualified and their proposals rejected if the District has reason to believe that collusion may exist among the Proposers, the Proposer has defaulted on any previous contract or is in arrears on any previous or existing contract, or for failure to demonstrate proper licensure and business organization.

SECTION 5. SUBMISSION OF PROPOSAL. Submit eight (8) copies of the Proposal Documents, and other requested attachments at the time and place indicated herein, which shall be enclosed in an opaque sealed envelope, marked with the title "Auditing Services – Magnolia Creek Community Development District" on the face of it.

SECTION 6. MODIFICATION AND WITHDRAWAL. Proposals may be modified or withdrawn by an appropriate document duly executed and delivered to the place where proposals are to be submitted at any time prior to the time and date the proposals are due. No proposal may be withdrawn after opening for a period of ninety (90) days.

SECTION 7. PROPOSAL DOCUMENTS. The proposal documents shall consist of the notice announcing the request for proposals, these instructions, the Evaluation Criteria Sheet and a proposal with all required documentation pursuant to Section 12 of these instructions (the "Proposal Documents").

SECTION 8. PROPOSAL. In making its proposal, each Proposer represents that it has read and understands the Proposal Documents and that the proposal is made in accordance therewith.

SECTION 9. BASIS OF AWARD/RIGHT TO REJECT. The District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, make modifications to the work, and waive any informalities or irregularities in proposals as it is deemed in the best interests of the District.

SECTION 10. CONTRACT AWARD. Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the Notice of Award from the District, the Proposer shall enter into and execute a Contract (engagement letter) with the District.

SECTION 11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY. Nothing herein shall be construed as or constitute a waiver of District's limited waiver of liability contained in section 768.28, Florida Statutes, or any other statute or law.

SECTION 12. MISCELLANEOUS. All proposals shall include the following information in addition to any other requirements of the proposal documents.

- A. List position or title of all personnel to perform work on the District audit. Include resumes for each person listed; list years of experience in present position for each party listed and years of related experience.
- B. Describe proposed staffing levels, including resumes with applicable certifications.
- C. Three references from projects of similar size and scope. The Proposer should include information relating to the work it conducted for each reference as well as a name, address and phone number of a contact person.
- D. The lump sum cost of the provision of the services under the proposal

SECTION 13. PROTESTS. With respect to a protest regarding the Proposal Documents, the notice of protest shall be filed in writing, at the offices of the District Manager, within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and state holidays) after the receipt of the proposed project plans and specifications or other contract documents. The formal protest setting forth with particularity the facts and law upon which the protest is based shall be filed within seven (7) calendar days (including Saturdays, Sundays and state holidays) after the initial notice of protest was filed. Failure to timely file a notice of protest or failure to timely file a formal written protest shall constitute a waiver of any right to object or protest with respect to aforesaid plans, specifications or contract documents.

SECTION 14. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS. The criteria to be used in the evaluation are presented in the Evaluation Criteria Sheet, contained within the Proposal Documents.

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**AUDITOR SELECTION
EVALUATION CRITERIA**

1. *Ability of Personnel.*

(25 Points)

(E.g., geographic location of the firm’s headquarters or permanent office in relation to the project; capabilities and experience of key personnel; present ability to manage this project; evaluation of existing work load; proposed staffing levels, etc.)

2. *Proposer’s Experience.*

(25 Points)

(E.g. past record and experience of the Proposer in similar projects; volume of work previously performed by the firm; past performance for other Community Development Districts in other contracts; character, integrity, reputation of Proposer, etc.)

3. *Understanding of Scope of Work.*

(25 Points)

Extent to which the proposal demonstrates an understanding of the District’s needs for the services requested.

4. *Ability to Furnish the Required Services.*

(25 Points)

Extent to which the proposal demonstrates the adequacy of Proposer’s financial resources and stability as a business entity necessary to complete the services required. (E.g. the existence of any natural disaster plan for business operations).