



JEFFERSON COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
 729 MAPLE ST / PO BOX 100
 HILLSBORO MO 63050
 WWW.JEFFCOMO.ORG

Invitation for Bid: **GENERAL VETERINARIAN SERVICES** **Date Issued:** **5-4-12**

BIDS SHALL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL: **TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2012**, AT 2:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME.

Specification Contact: **JAMES "J.T." TAYLOR**
 Department of the Animal Control
 636-797-5023

Contract Contact: **VICKIE PRATT**
 Department of Administrative Services
 636-797-5382

Mail (3) Three Complete Copies With Vendor And Bid Information As Shown In Sample:

SAMPLE ENVELOPE

<i>VENDOR NAME</i>	
<i>VENDOR ADDRESS</i>	
<i>CONTACT NUMBER</i>	DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY CLERK
	JEFFERSON COUNTY MISSOURI
	729 MAPLE ST / PO BOX 100
	HILLSBORO MO 63050-0100
<i>SEALED BID: (BID NAME)</i>	

Contract Term:
6-25-12 to 6-24-13
 UPON APPROVAL OF THE
 COUNTY COUCIL AND
 COUNTY EXECUTIVE

The undersigned certifies that he/she has the authority to bind this company in an agreement/contract to supply the commodity or service in accordance with all terms, conditions, and pricing specified. Prices are firm during this agreement term, unless agreed upon in writing by the County. The County has the option to renew this agreement at the same terms and conditions as the original agreement for one additional one-year term with the written consent of the successful bidder. Price increases for renewals are not authorized unless approved in writing by the County.

Vendor Information:

Company Name	Authorized Agent (Print)	
Address	Signature	
City/State/Zip Code	Title	
Telephone #	Date	Tax ID #
E-mail	Fax #	

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1.0 BID REQUIREMENTS

Bidder shall initial all pages and return where the Bid Document denotes “BIDDER”S INITIALS:_____”

1.1 BID SUBMISSION:

Submit bid form in triplicate (three copies) with specification pages, if applicable. No facsimile or electronic bids shall be accepted and shall be rejected. The Vendor prior to the submission dead line as stated on page 1 must submit all bids. Late bids will not be accepted and returned to the vendor unopened. The County reserves the right to request additional written or oral information from Respondents in order to obtain clarification. A fully executed Affidavit is required by Section 285.530 RSMo and shall be submitted with the bid form. A copy of the Affidavit is attached hereto. Failure to execute the Affidavit shall result in the bid being rejected.

1.2 BASIS OF BID AWARD:

Award may be made on an item-by-item basis to the lowest and best bidder(s) or award may be made to the lowest and best bid total, whichever provides the greatest value to the County from the standpoint of suitability to purpose, quality, service, previous experience, price, ability to deliver, or any other reason deemed to be in the best interest of the County. Quantities stated herein represent an estimate for the period stated. Orders shall be placed for actual requirements as needed. The County may reject any or all bids for any reason and may waive any informality. Bids submitted from a Missouri State Contract shall include a copy of the State Contract with the bid. Bid award does not constitute an order or obligation to order by the County. The issuance of a Purchase Order Number shall be construed as acceptance of a Contract with all terms, conditions, and prices firm during the length of the agreement terms.

1.3 BID AWARD:

It is further agreed that the Contract shall not be valid and binding upon the County until approved by the County Counselor, as to legal form and is subject to the Ordinances, Resolutions and Orders of Jefferson County, Missouri, and State and Federal Law. If no Bid or Bids have been awarded by the County Council within thirty (30) days following the opening of the bids then all bids will be deemed Rejected.

1.4 BID PREPARATION:

1. Bidders are responsible for examination of drawings, specifications, schedules and instructions. Failure to do so will be at the bidder’s risk.
2. Each bidder shall furnish the information required by the invitation. The bidder shall sign all required documents. All deletions and erasures shall be initialed
3. Alternate bids for supplies or services other than specified shall not be considered unless authorized by invitation.
4. Bidder shall state a definite time for delivery of goods or for performance of services unless otherwise specified in the invitation for bid.
5. When specified, samples must be timely submitted and at no expense to the County.
6. Failure to adhere to all requirements may result in the response being disqualified as non-responsive.

1.5 MODIFICATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS:

Bids may be modified or withdrawn prior to the exact hour and date specified for receipt of bids, provided the modification or withdrawal is in writing and is delivered in the same manner as a bid submission.

1.6 LATE BIDS:

It is the responsibility of the bidder to deliver his bid or bid modification on or before the date and time of the bid closing to the Department of the County Clerk. Bids received late will be rejected and returned unopened to the bidder.

1.7 BID DEPOSITS:

Bid Deposits are not required unless specified in the specifications.

1.8 MATERIAL AVAILABILITY:

Bidders must accept responsibility for verification of material availability, product schedules and other pertinent data prior to submission of bid and delivery time. It is the responsibility of the bidder to notify the County immediately if the materials specified are discontinued, replaced, or not available for an extended period of time. All materials ordered by the County, shall be as needed. A sample of materials may be requested.

1.9 ALTERNATE BIDS:

Alternate Bids for items will be accepted except when stated “**NO SUBSTITUTIONS**”. Bidders must submit complete specifications on all alternate bids with the bid form. Alternate bids without complete specifications may be rejected. Alternate bids and exceptions to bid clauses must be clearly noted on the bid form. The County may accept or reject alternate bids; whatever is most advantageous to the County.

1.10 INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS:

The terms of the Bid Invitation, Bid Specifications, Bid Form are incorporated into the contract as if fully setout therein.

1.11 ADDENDA:

Addenda to bid specifications are incorporated by reference as if fully setout herein. It is the responsibility of the vendor to insure and verify that they are in receipt of and completed all attached addenda’s prior to submission of bid forms. Verification is made by contacting the Office of Contracts and Grants at (636) 797-5382, or by reviewing the County Web Site. (www.jeffcomo.org).

1.12 INSURANCE:

The Vendor/Contractor shall purchase and maintain insurance with an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of Missouri or in the state where the vendor is incorporated or otherwise licensed to do business and which shall remain, at all times during the term of any contract with the County, in full force and effect. Preference will be given to a Vendor/Contractor who provides insurance with an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of Missouri, but in any event said Vendor/Contractor shall provide said insurance at it’s own expense. Such insurance shall be provided as will protect the Vendor/Contractor from claims which may arise out of or result from the Vendor/Contractor’s execution of the work, whether such execution be by himself, his employees, agents, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable. If any such work covered by the Contract is to be performed on County owned or leased premises, the Vendor agrees to carry liability and workman’s compensation insurance, satisfactory to the County, and to indemnify the County against all liability, loss, and damage arising out of any injuries to persons and property caused by the Vendor, his sub-contractors, employees or agents. The insurance coverage shall be such as to fully protect the County and the general public from any and all claims for injury and damage resulting by any actions on the part of the Vendor/Contractor or its’ forces as enumerated above. All policies must name the County as an additional insured and provide for thirty (30) days written prior to any material changes or cancellation. Any disputes regarding a breach, insurance amounts, liability, coverage, lapse or otherwise shall be litigated in the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Missouri and the same shall be incorporated into any Contract agreed to by the parties.

THE COUNTY REQUIRES ORIGINAL CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE BEFORE THE CONTRACT IS AWARDED. ANY LAPSE IN INSURANCE COVERAGE OR CANCELLATION THEREOF BY THE CONTRACTOR OR SUB-CONTRACTORS DURING THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT SHALL IMMEDIATELY BE DEEMED A MATERIAL BREACH UNDER THE TERMS OF ANY CONTRACT.

A. Required Not Required **Comprehensive General Liability Insurance**

The Vendor/Contractor shall maintain and keep in full force and effect during the terms of this Contract such comprehensive general liability insurance as shall protect them from claims which may arise from operations under this Contract, whether such operations be by themselves or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by them. The amounts of insurance shall be not less than \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit for any one occurrence covering both bodily injury and property damage, including accidental death.

B. Required Not Required **Professional Liability Insurance**

The Vendor/Contractor shall provide the County with proof of Professional Liability Insurance, which shall protect the County against any and all claims, which might arise as a result of the operation of the Vendor/Contractor in fulfilling the terms of this Contract during the life of the Contract. The minimum amounts of such insurance will be \$1,000,000.00. Should any work be subcontracted, these limits will also apply.

C. Required Not Required **Worker’s Compensation Insurance:**
per Missouri Revised Statutes Chapter 287

The Vendor/Contractor or his sub-contractor or contractors, shall maintain and keep in force of this Contract such worker’s compensation insurance limits as required by the statues of the State of Missouri and Employer’s Liability with limits no less than \$500,000.00.

1.13 BID SUBMISSIONS

Bids submitted on separate forms are NOT acceptable unless specified in the Bid Document. Failure to complete bid forms to the satisfaction of the County may result in rejection of your bid. It is the responsibility of each bidder before submitting a bid to examine ALL documents thoroughly, and request written or oral interpretation of clarifications soon after discovering any conflicts, ambiguities, errors, or omissions in the bidding documents. Request for clarification must be received prior to bid openings.

1.14 BID OPENINGS

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at the time indicated on page 1. The bidders and the public are invited but not required to attend the formal opening of the bids. No decisions relating to the award of a contract or agreement will be made at the opening.

1.15 BID TABULATIONS

Bid Tabulations are not available for 5 to 7 business days following the Bid Opening. Bid submissions are open for public review at the time of the Bid Opening. Bid tabulations are posted on the County's web-site address, www.jeffcomo.org. **NO COPIES** of bid tabulations are sent to vendors.

2.0 BID RESPONSE AND CONTRACT

2.1 BIDDER REPRESENTATIONS:

The Bidder, by executing the Bid form certifies that:

- A. The bid complies with Invitation for Bid form and Bid Specifications.
- B. Bidder is not debarred or suspended from participation in Federal Assistance programs.

2.2 TAXES:

No bid or proposal shall be awarded by Jefferson County unless the prospective bidder provides proof that the bidder does not owe delinquent real or personal property taxes to Jefferson County. The prospective bidder may be required to provide proof in the form of an original paid tax receipt issued by the Jefferson County Collector or a statement obtained from the Jefferson County Assessor that the applicant does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County.

Section 135.040 of the Jefferson County Code of Ordinances (Ord. No. 10-0411) requires that no bid or proposal shall be awarded by Jefferson County unless the prospective bidder provides proof that the bidder does not owe delinquent real or personal property, or that the bidder does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County. All delinquent real or personal property taxes shall be paid, in-full, prior to the award of any bid, or proof shall be provided that the bidder does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County prior to the award of any bid. Jefferson County considers that the failure to pay any and all real or personal property taxes due Jefferson County, Missouri, the failure to report all real or personal property owned, held or used in Jefferson County, the failure to provide proof thereof, and/or the failure to keep said tax bills current shall be deemed a material breach of the contract and will subject the contract to immediate cancellation. All taxes, due and owing, must be paid in full at the time the bid is awarded by Jefferson County and remain paid during the entire term of the contract unless the prospective bidder provides proof that the bidder does not own real or personal property in Jefferson County. This requirement shall not apply to the award of bids for projects which are funded in whole or in part by Federal funds.

2.3 CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION:

- A. The prices in the bid shall be independently determined, without consultation, communication, or agreement for the purpose of restricting competition as to any matter relating to price with any bidder or other person.
- B. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices shall not have been knowingly disclosed by the bidder prior to opening.
- C. No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a bid.

2.4 PRICE:

The price(s) specified in this bid shall be firm and not subject to contingency or reservation. If the Vendor fails to honor stated prices as submitted in the Bid Form or Contract, the County reserves the right to obtain the same items from the next lower vendor who submitted a bid price for the item. The original vendor shall be responsible for the difference in price and required to make restitution to the County for the difference in price. The bidder represents prices specified in the bid do not exceed current selling price for the same or substantially similar good or service, and are the same as or lower than other prices charged to the

bidder's most favored customer. In the event the stated prices are determined to be higher than the prices for which Supplier has sold the items, or services, to others, this contract price shall be reduced accordingly. **Bid prices are ALL INCLUSIVE: (Shipping, Handling, Delivery, and Assembly to locations specified by the County). Prices shall be firm for ALL County departments and locations for term of the agreement.**

2.5 MISSOURI DOMESTIC PRODUCT PROCUREMENT ACT:

Bidder represents that the goods provided comply with Sections 34.350 to 34.359, RSMo, known as the Domestic Product Procurement Act. The Act encourages the purchase of products manufactured or produced in the United States, State of Missouri, and Jefferson County, Missouri. Bidder shall include proof of compliance with the Act with the bid when requested.

2.6 NON-EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT:

The contractor shall understand and agree that the contract shall not be construed as an exclusive agreement and further agrees that the County may secure identical and/or similar services or products from other sources at anytime in conjunction with or in replacement of the contractor's services.

2.7 DEFINITIONS:

- A. The term "County" means the Jefferson County, Missouri and its designated representatives.
- B. The term "Vendor" means Supplier, Contractor, and Seller and includes designated representatives.
- C. The term "IFB" means Invitation for Bid.
- D. The term "Agreement/Contract" means Binding Agreement, Contract, Request for Purchase, Order.

2.8 INSPECTION, ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVALS:

Goods shall at all times and places, including the period of manufacture, are subject to inspection and test by County. County will accept or give notice of rejection of goods delivered within a reasonable time after receipt. Acceptance shall not waive any warranty. All goods supplied are subject to final inspection and acceptance by County notwithstanding payment, prior inspections or approvals. County may require prompt replacement or correction of rejected goods at Supplier's expense, including a reduction in price for rejected goods. Supplier shall not resubmit rejected goods to County without prior written approval and instructions from County. In addition, Supplier shall identify resubmitted goods as previously rejected. Supplier shall provide and maintain a quality assurance and control system acceptable to County.

2.9 WARRANTY:

Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties, Supplier warrants that items ordered to specifications will conform thereto and to any drawings, samples or other descriptions furnished or adopted by County, or, if not ordered to specifications will be fit and sufficient for the purpose intended, and that all items will be new, merchantable, of good material and workmanship, and free from defect. Such warranties, together with Supplier's service warranties and guarantees, if any, shall survive inspection, test, acceptance of, and payment for the items and shall run to County and its assigns. Except for latent defects, the County shall give notice of any nonconformity to the Supplier within one (1) year after acceptance. County may return for credit or require prompt correction or replacement of the defective or non-conforming goods or have the defective good corrected or replaced at Supplier's expense. Return to Supplier of any defective or non-conforming goods and delivery to County of any corrected or replaced goods shall be at Supplier's expense. Defective or non-conforming items shall not be corrected or replaced without written authorization by County. Goods required to be corrected or replaced shall be subject to the provisions of this clause and the clause hereof entitled "Inspection, Acceptance and Approvals" in the same manner and to the same extent as goods originally delivered under this contract.

2.10 PAYMENT:

County will pay Supplier for goods upon delivery to, submission of certified invoices with attached tipping fee receipts and acceptance. The County will not be responsible for articles or services furnished without a purchase order. Price is tax-exempt.

2.11 CHANGE ORDER:

County may make changes within the general scope of this contract. If any such changes cause an increase or decrease in the cost of or the time required for the performance of any part of the work, whether changed or not changed by any such order, an equitable adjustment shall be made in the price or delivery schedule or both, and any change order shall be in writing. Any claim by a Supplier for adjustment under this clause shall be asserted within fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of this written order directing the change, provided, however, County, if it decides that the facts justify such action, may receive and act upon such claim asserted at any time prior to final payment.

2.12 DELIVERIES:

Deliveries shall be made in strict accordance with any delivery schedule contained in the bid specification or contract and in the exact quantity ordered. Failure to adhere to delivery schedule is reason for termination in accordance with the "termination" clause. Deliveries are to be made at locations specified by the County at time of Order.

2.13 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPLIES:

Pursuant to Section 290.560 RSMo, Supplier/Contractor shall employ only Missouri laborers and laborers from nonrestrictive states except that other laborers may be used when Missouri laborers or laborers from nonrestrictive states are not available, or are incapable of performing the particular type of work involved, if so certified by the contractor and approved by the County. Except as otherwise provided, Supplier shall be responsible and bear all risks for loss and damage to goods until delivery at County's facilities, regardless of F.O.B. point, point of inspection or acceptance; and if the goods are rejected.

2.14 SUBCONTRACTS:

Supplier shall not enter into any subcontract(s) in excess of \$25,000 or 20% of this contract price; whichever is less, for any goods without County's prior written approval.

2.15 CHOICE OF LAW:

This bid and contract shall be governed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Missouri. Venue for any court action shall be in Jefferson County, Missouri.

2.16 TERMINATION:

- A. General: Performance of work may be terminated by the County in whole, or from time to time in part, whenever County shall determine that such termination is in the best interests of County with a thirty (30) day written notice. The Vendor may terminate the Agreement/Contract upon a sixty (60) day prior notice in writing. In the event of any termination of the Agreement/Contract by the Vendor, the County may purchase such supplies and/or services similar to those terminated and for the duration of the Agreement/Contract period the Vendor will be liable for all costs in excess of the established contract pricing.
- B. Bankruptcy or Insolvency: In the event bankruptcy proceedings are commenced by or against Supplier or under any provisions of the United States Bankruptcy Act or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee or a general assignment for the benefit of creditors of either party, County shall be entitled to terminate without further cost or liability. The County may cancel the Agreement/Contract or affirm the Contract and hold the Vendor responsible for damages.
- C. **Section 135.040 of the Jefferson County Code of Ordinances (Ord. No. 10-0411) requires that no bid or proposal shall be awarded by Jefferson County unless the prospective bidder provides proof that the bidder does not owe delinquent real or personal property, or that the bidder does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County. All delinquent real or personal property taxes shall be paid, in-full, prior to the award of any bid, or proof shall be provided that the bidder does not own any real or personal property in Jefferson County prior to the award of any bid. Jefferson County considers that the failure to pay any and all real or personal property taxes due Jefferson County, Missouri, the failure to report all real or personal property owned, held or used in Jefferson County, the failure to provide proof thereof, and/or the failure to keep said tax bills current shall be deemed a material breach of the contract and will subject the contract to immediate cancellation. All taxes, due and owing, must be paid in full at the time the bid is awarded by Jefferson County and remain paid during the entire term of the contract unless the prospective bidder provides proof that the bidder does not own real or personal property in Jefferson County. This requirement shall not apply to the award of bids for projects which are funded in whole or in part by Federal funds.**
- D. Default: County may terminate the whole Contract or any part in either of the following circumstances:
 - D-1. If supplier fails to deliver the items required by the contract within the time specified; or
 - D-2. If supplier fails to perform any of the other provisions of the contract, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of the contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not cure such failure within a period of ten (10) days after notice from County specifying such failure. In the event of termination under subparagraph 1, County shall have the right to procure, on such terms and in such manner as it may deem appropriate, items similar to those terminated, and to recover from Supplier the excess cost for such similar items provided, however, Supplier shall not be liable for such excess costs where the failure upon which the termination is based has arisen out of causes beyond the control of Supplier and without the fault or negligence of Supplier. Such causes shall be deemed to include fires, floods, earthquakes, strikes, and acts of the public enemy. The rights of County provided in subparagraph 1 shall be in addition to any other rights provided by law or the contract.

D-3. In the event of the Supplier's non-compliance with the provisions as set forth, this Contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the supplier may be declared ineligible for further County contracts. The rights and remedies of the County provided in this paragraph shall not be exclusive but are in addition to any remedies provided in this Contract or as provided for by law.

2.17 NOTICE AND SERVICE THEREOF:

Any notice from the County shall be in writing and considered delivered and the service thereof completed when said notice is posted, by certified or regular mail, to the Supplier, at the address stated on the bid form.

2.18 CONTRACT TERM:

Performance shall be governed solely by the terms and conditions as set forth in the Invitation for Bid, Bid Specifications, Bid Form and the Contract notwithstanding any language contained on any invoice, shipping order, bill of lading or other document furnished the Seller at any time and the acceptance by the County for any goods furnished.

2.19 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS:

Supplier warrants it has complied with all applicable laws, rules and ordinances of the United States, Missouri or any other Governmental authority or agency in the manufacture or sale of the goods, including but not limited to all provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, including provisions of the Home Rule Charter of Jefferson County, Missouri requiring all workers performing work under any contract with Jefferson County be paid a wage that is at least the prevailing hourly rate of wages for work of a similar character in Jefferson County.

2.20 ACTS OF GOD:

No party shall be liable for delays, nor defaults due to Acts of God or the public enemy, riots, strikes, fires, explosions, accidents, governmental actions of any kind or any other causes of a similar character beyond its control and without its fault or negligence.

2.21 SELLER'S INVOICES:

Invoices shall contain the following information. Contract number (if any), Purchase Order Number, Item number, contract description of goods or services, sizes, quantities, unit prices and extended totals. Invoices for and inquiries regarding payment should be addressed to the County Accounts Payable Clerk.

2.22 APPROVAL:

It is agreed the acceptance of a Bid shall not be valid and binding upon the County until approved by the County Purchasing Agent, County Council, and the County Counselor.

2.23 RENEWAL OPTION:

The County reserves the right to negotiate the contract for one (1) additional one-year term with the written consent of the awarded vendor. If the contractor/vendor request an increase in compensation for any renewal period, the vendor shall notify the Office of Contracts and Grants no less than 60 days prior to the end of the contract period. The County shall notify the Vendor of the intent to exercise the renewal option. However, failure to notify the Vendor does not waive the County's right to exercise the renewal option.

2.24 INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIPS, CORPORATIONS:

Indicate: [] Individual: [] Partnership: [] Corporation.

Incorporated in the State of _____.

2.25 LITIGATION:

This agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Missouri. Any disagreements, questions, controversies, litigation or other causes of action whatsoever arising from or under the terms of this agreement shall be resolved in the trial courts of 23rd Judicial Circuit Court of the State of Missouri-Hillsboro, Missouri.

AFFIDAVIT OF WORK AUTHORIZATION

(Continued)

CURRENT BUSINESS ENTITY STATUS

I certify that _____ (Business Entity Name) **MEETS** the definition of a business entity as defined in section 285.525, RSMo pertaining to section 285.530, RSMo as stated above.

Authorized Business Entity
Representative's Name
(Please Print)

Authorized Business Entity
Representative's Signature

Business Entity Name

Date

As a business entity, the grantee, sub grantee, contractor, or subcontractor must perform/provide the following. The grantee, sub grantee, contractor, or subcontractor shall check each to verify completion/submission:

- Enroll and participate in the E-Verify federal work authorization program (Website: http://www.dhs.gov/xprevprot/programs/gc_1185221678150.shtm; Phone: 888-464-4218; Email: e-verify@dhs.gov) with respect to the employees hired after enrollment in the program who are proposed to work in connection with the services required herein;

AND

- Provide documentation affirming said company's/individual's enrollment and participation in the E-Verify federal work authorization program. Documentation shall include a page from the E-Verify Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) listing the grantee's, subgrantee's, contractor's, or subcontractor's name and the MOU signature page completed and signed, at minimum, by the grantee, subgrantee, contractor, or subcontractor and the Department of Homeland Security – Verification Division; (if the signature page of the MOU lists the grantee's, subgrantee's, contractor's, or subcontractor's name, then no additional pages of the MOU must be submitted).

General Veterinarian Services Bid Specifications

Name of Veterinarian:	
Business address:	
Business phone and fax numbers:	
State of Missouri Veterinarian License No.	

Sterilization of Animals

Dogs over 4 months of age \$ _____ per dog
Cats over 4 months of age \$ _____ per cat

Instructions: As many veterinarians charge varying fees for sterilization based on size and weight of the animal to be treated, under this general veterinary services contract bid, veterinarians must provide a single average rate to charge per animal being sterilized, by species. This average fee must be all inclusive for sterilization service fees. When abnormal or unusual medical circumstances exist, which would result more intense levels of care or service, additional fees may be charged only with the prior approval of the Animal Control Manager.

Bidding Information: The Veterinarian shall provide spay or neuter sterilizations of dogs and cats from the County at the rate indicated above per dog and per cat sterilization performed. The County will contact the Veterinarian for a sterilization appointment and shall deliver the animal to the Veterinarian’s private practice office on the morning of the animal’s scheduled surgery. The animal’s owner will take possession of the animal from the Veterinarian’s private practice office, following the procedure.

General Health Examination

DHLPP+ CVK, if needed \$ _____ per puppy
FVRCP-C, if needed \$ _____ per kitten
Intra-Nasal Bordatella \$ _____ per dose
Rabies vaccinations, if needed \$ _____ per animal
Heartworm Test \$ _____ per animal
Fecal Examination \$ _____ per animal
Feline Leukemia Test \$ _____ per cat
Microchip, if requested by Animal Control \$ _____ per animal

Instructions: When animals are brought to the veterinarian’s office from the Animal Control Center as part of an adoption, examinations and treatments exceeding those indicated above must be approved by the animal’s adoptive owner and will be paid by the adoptive owner. Services provided to animals delivered to the veterinarian’s office by rescue groups will not be paid by the Animal Control Center.

Bidding Information:

- A. The Veterinarian shall provide General Health Examinations and Vaccinations, as needed, at the rates indicated above.
- B. The Veterinarian may provide any additional vaccinations as recommended to and/or requested by the animal’s new owner, at rates determined by the Veterinarian and billed to the new owner.
- C. The County shall, whenever possible, microchip, de-worm, and administer initial DHLPP+CVK or FVRCP+C, and rabies vaccinations, to all animals prior to delivering the animal to the Veterinarian. The County will provide all available medical records to the Veterinarian when the animal is transported for sterilization or examination.

Office Visit, Examinations, Treatments and Euthanasia Services

Office Visit at Veterinarian’s Private Practice \$ _____ per office visit
Euthanasia services \$ _____ per animal

Instructions: This “office-visit” fee will be charged once per office visit, per animal delivered for examination and treatment, and once per animal or group of animals delivered for euthanasia. Fees for examination and treatment will vary based on

the animal's condition and needs. Examinations and treatment estimated to exceed \$500.00 must be approved by the Animal Control Manager prior to beginning the treatments. The euthanasia fee should be a flat fee that will reflect the combined costs of euthanasia solution, supplies and administration of the solution per animal euthanized.

Bidding Information:

A. Sick or injured animals brought into the Veterinarian's private practice office will be examined at the "office-visit" rate indicated above. The Veterinarian shall provide emergency medical examinations and treatments not to exceed the amount of \$500.00, report the findings to the County and offer a recommended course of action. The County will make the decision on a course of action based on the recommendation of the Veterinarian and County budgetary considerations, to provide treatments in excess of \$500.00.

B. An animal or group of animals delivered to the Veterinarian's private practice for euthanasia services shall be constitute one "office-visit."

C. The Veterinarian shall provide euthanasia of animals for the County. The County shall deliver the animal(s) to the Veterinarian's Private Practice, when scheduled, and the Veterinarian shall euthanize the animal(s) at the per-animal euthanized rate indicated above. This rate shall include the cost of any man-hours, sedatives and controlled substances necessary to perform euthanasia.

Please check which euthanasia services can be provided:

- Humane euthanasia of sick or injured animals:** _____
- Humane euthanasia due to public safety threat:** _____
- Humane euthanasia of feral cats (animals):** _____
- Humane euthanasia of wild, rabies suspect animals** _____
- Humane euthanasia for shelter population control** _____

Additional Information:

Instructions: The following information will be including in the contract. These items do not require bidding, but are provided for the veterinarian's knowledge when considering their bid.

Bidding Information:

1. The Veterinarian shall apply for and obtain an Animal Care Facilities Act license from the Missouri Department of Agriculture prior to rescuing animals from the County and placing said animals up for adoption or rescue through the Veterinarian's Private Practice.
2. Veterinarian understands that this is not an exclusive contract. The County reserves the right to enter into multiple contracts for veterinary services.
3. The term of this agreement is for one year from the date of its execution. The County may extend the length of the term of this agreement for an additional one year term. Any extension must be approved by the County in writing. This agreement may be terminated by either party by providing thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.
4. Both the County and the Veterinarian agree that the Veterinarian will act as an independent contractor in the performance of its duties under this agreement. Accordingly, the Veterinarian shall be responsible for payment of all taxes including Federal, State and local taxes arising out of the Veterinarian's activities in accordance with this agreement, including by way of illustration but not limitation, Federal and State income tax, Social Security tax, Unemployment Insurance taxes, and any other taxes or business license fees as required.
5. The Veterinarian shall not assign any rights or delegate any duties under this agreement without the express written consent of the County.

Additional information: _____

