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Contract

Provision of British Sign Language Interpretation.

STAR Procurement

F20: Modification notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of British Sign Language Interpretation.

Reference number

UID:3346

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79540000 - Interpretation services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

The Council is reviewing its communication support to customers and clients and requires translation and interpretation providers to provide ad-hoc non-spoken language support in the provision of:

(i) Face to Face interpreting for interviews, meetings, consultation and social service requirements; and

(ii) Video interpretation;

The intention is to achieve a consistent approach and make sure the Council receives excellent quality and value for money services.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

48

Section IV. Procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

Notice number: [2016/S 171-307376](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

UID:3346

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

6 December 2016

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract/concession has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £275,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Trafford Council

Trafford

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 79540000 - Interpretation services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UKD - North West (England)

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

Trafford Council are looking to establish a Framework Agreement for the provision of British Sign Language Interpretation for Trafford Council and AGMA partners.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

54

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Initial framework term is 3 years plus 12 month extension, ending 31st March 2021.

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Emergency modification applied to the framework to extend for a further period of 6 months, under regulation 72(1)(c) giving new expiry date of 30th

September 2021.

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£275,000

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

Initial framework term is 3 years plus 12 month extension, ending 31st March 2021.

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Emergency modification applied to the framework to extend for a further period of 6 months, under regulation 72(1)(c) giving new expiry date of 30th September 2021.

Regulation 72(1) sets out the following:

Contracts ... may be modified without a new procurement procedure ... in any of the following cases:

(c) where all of the following conditions are fulfilled:

(i) the need for modification has been brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority could not have foreseen;

(ii) the modification does not alter the overall nature of the contract;

(iii) any increase in price does not exceed 50% of the value of the original contract or framework agreement.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

Coronavirus (Covid-19) Emergency modification applied to the framework to extend for a further period of 6 months, under regulation 72(1)(c) giving new expiry date of 30th September 2021.

Once this framework has expired after this short extension, the intention is to join a compliant contract which is currently being tendered. This new arrangement is due to be available from August 2021.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £275,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £275,000