Title VI Requirements

PART 1 – TITLE VI PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

1. **APPLICATIONS:** The following materials pertain to the regulations relative to nondiscrimination of Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, part 21, and as may be requested by the City. Nondiscrimination assumes all Vendors, subcontractors, consultants, suppliers and manufacturers who contract with the City must comply with these requirements.

2. **AFFIDAVIT:** Before being considered for a contract, all Vendors, etc. will be required to submit the Affidavit of Title VI Compliance as part of their proposal or upon request by the City’s Procurement Services Division.

3. **COMPLIANCE:** The City of Bellevue reserves the right to randomly select Vendors, subcontractors, consultants, vendors or suppliers to be audited for compliance of the requirements listed. During this audit, the Vendors, etc. will be asked for a specific demonstration of compliance with the requirements.

4. **NON-COMPLIANCE:** A finding of non-compliance may be considered a breach of contract and suspension or termination of a contract may follow.

5. **CITY CONTACT:** The City’s Compliance Officer is the Procurement Services Manager, and specific questions pertaining to this section may be directed to the Procurement Services Manager at (425) 452-7876.

PART 2 – ASSURANCES FOR CONSULTANTS, CONTRACTORS, SUBCONTRACTORS, SUPPLIERS AND MANUFACTURERS

1. **COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS:** The Vendor shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in Federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (hereinafter DOT), Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made part of this contract.

2. **NONDISCRIMINATION:** The Vendor, with regard to the work performed during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractor, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment. The Vendor shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by Section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program, set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.

3. **SOLICITATION FOR SUBCONTRACTORS, INCLUDING PROCUREMENT OF MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT:** In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiations made by the Vendor for the work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurement of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by the Vendor’s obligations under this contract and the Regulations relative to the nondiscrimination on the ground of race, color, sex, or national origin.

4. **INFORMATION AND REPORTS:** The Vendor shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts, other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by the City of Bellevue or the Washington State Department of Transportation to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of a Vendor is an exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information, the Vendor shall so certify to the City of Bellevue or the Washington State Department of Transportation as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
5. **SANCTIONS FOR NONCOMPLIANCES:** In the event of the Vendor’s noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the City of Bellevue and the Washington State Department of Transportation shall impose such contract sanctions as it, or the Federal Highway Administration may determine to be appropriate, including, but not limited to:
   a. Withholding of payments to the Vendor under the contract until Vendor complies, and/or;
   b. Cancellation, termination, or suspension of the contract, in whole or in part.

6. **INCORPORATION OF PROVISIONS:** The Vendor shall include in provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subcontract, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directives issued pursuant thereto. The Vendor shall take such action with respect to any subcontractor or procurement as the City of Bellevue or the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance. Provided, however, that in the event a Vendor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Vendor may request the City of Bellevue enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the City and, in addition, the Vendor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.