



Rizzetta & Company

# Venetian Community Development District

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**Audit Committee Meeting  
August 10, 2020**

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9530 Marketplace Road, Suite 206  
Fort Myers, Florida 33912  
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August 4, 2020

Audit Committee  
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**AGENDA**

Dear Committee Members:

The First meeting of the Audit Committee of the Venetian Community Development District will be held on **Monday, August 10, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.** Please be advised that the Florida Governor’s Office has declared a state of emergency due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19). As a result, the meeting is being conducted by means of communications media technology pursuant to Executive Orders 20-52, 20-69, 20-112, 20-114, 20-150 and 20-179 issued by Governor DeSantis on March 9, 2020, March 20, 2020, April 29, 2020, May 8, 2020, June 23, 2020 and July 29, 2020, respectively, and any extensions thereof, and pursuant to Section 120.54(5)(b)2., *Florida Statutes*.

As reported by the Center for Disease Control and World Health Organization, COVID-19 can spread from person-to-person through small droplets from the nose or mouth, including when an individual coughs or sneezes. These droplets may land on objects and surfaces. Other people may contract COVID-19 by touching these objects or surfaces, then touching their eyes, nose or mouth. Therefore, merely cleaning facilities, while extremely important and vital in this crisis, may not be enough to stop the spread of this virus.

While it is necessary to hold a meeting of the District’s Audit Committee despite the current public health emergency, the District fully encourages public participation in a safe and efficient manner. Toward that end, anyone wishing to listen and participate in the meeting can do so telephonically by attending a scheduled Zoom meeting. The information for accessing the meeting is as follows: Dial +1 312-626-6799 or +1 929-205-6099, Meeting ID: 977 0088 3939, Password: 418958. For assistance using Zoom please contact the District Manager in advance of the meeting at [BBlandon@rizzetta.com](mailto:BBlandon@rizzetta.com) or by calling 239-936-0913. Additionally, written public comments and questions can be e-mailed to the District Manager in advance of the meeting at [BBlandon@rizzetta.com](mailto:BBlandon@rizzetta.com), or mailed to the District Manager at Venetian CDD, c/o Rizzetta & Company, Inc., 9530 Marketplace Road, Suite 206, Fort Myers, FL 33912. Comments and questions received by 2:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting will be read into the record at the meeting and become part of the permanent record of the meeting.

The following is the agenda for this meeting:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**
- 2. BUSINESS ITEMS**
  - A. Presentation of the Audit Proposal Instructions and Evaluation Criteria With Price ..... Tab 1
  - B. Presentation of the Audit Proposal Instructions and Evaluation Criteria Without Price ..... Tab 2
- 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 us at (239) 936-0913.

Very truly yours,

*Belinda Blandon*

Belinda Blandon  
District Manager

cc: Andrew Cohen, Persson, Cohen & Mooney, P.A.

# Tab 1

**VENETIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**District Auditing Services for Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020  
With Two Optional Annual Renewals  
Sarasota County, Florida**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS**

**SECTION 1. DUE DATE.** Sealed proposals must be received no later than **Friday, September 18, 2020, at 3:00 p.m.**, at the offices of District Manager, located at 9530 Marketplace Road, Suite 206, Fort Myers, Florida 33912. Proposals will be publicly opened at that time.

**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, including latest Peer Review report.

**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 one (1) electronic zip drive or CD **AND** five (5) hard copies of the Proposal Documents, and other requested attachments at the time and place indicated herein, which shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope, marked with the title "Auditing Services – Venetian 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 Districts' limited 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.** Any protest regarding the Proposal Documents, must be filed in writing, at the offices of the District Manager, within seventy-two (72) hours 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 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 of proposals are presented in the Evaluation Criteria Sheet, contained within the Proposal Documents.

## AUDITOR SELECTION EVALUATION CRITERIA

**1. Ability of Personnel. (20 Points)**

(E.g., geographic locations 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. (20 Points)**

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**3. Understanding of Scope of Work. (20 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. (20 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).

**5. Price (15 Points)**

A full fifteen (15) points will be awarded to the Proposer submitting the lowest bid. AN AVERAGE OF ALL THREE YEARS PRICING IS TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN AWARDING POINTS FOR PRICING - THE INITIAL TERM AND THE FIRST AND SECOND ANNUAL RENEWALS. All other proposers will receive a percentage of this amount based upon a formula which divides the low bid by the proposer's bid and is then multiplied by the number of points possible in this part of the Price evaluation.

*Example:*

*Proposer "A" turns in a bid of \$8,000 and is deemed to be low bid and will receive the full 15 points. Proposer "B" turns in a bid of \$10,000. Bid "A" is divided by Bid "B" then multiplied by the number of points possible (15).  $(8,000/10,000) \times 15 = 12$ , therefore, Proposer "B" will receive 12 of 15 possible points. Proposer "C" turns in a bid of \$12,000. Bid "A" is divided by Bid "C" then multiplied by the number of points possible (15).  $(8,000/12,000) \times 15 = 9.99$ , therefore, Proposer "C" will receive 9.99 of 15 possible points.*

**6. Price Reasonableness (5 Points)**

**Total (100 Points)**

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