

Sunbridge Stewardship District

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The following is the proposed agenda for the upcoming Auditor Selection Committee for the Sunbridge Stewardship District which will be held Thursday, March 4, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. (immediately following the adjournment of the Board of Supervisors' meeting) The proposed agenda for this meeting is found below.

Please use the following information to join the telephonic conferencing:

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AUDITOR SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

- Roll Call to Confirm a Quorum
- Review and Approval of Audit Documents
 - Audit RFP Notice
 - Instructions to Proposers
 - Evaluation Criteria – with and without price
- Adjournment



**SUNBRIDGE STEWARDSHIP DISTRICT
NOTICE OF AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING AND
REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING**

The Board of Supervisors (“**Board**”) of the Sunbridge Stewardship District (“**District**”) will hold an Audit Committee meeting and regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors on **March 4, 2021 at 3:30 p.m.** at Narcoossee Community Center, 5354 Rambling Road, St. Cloud, FL 34771. The Audit Committee will review, discuss and establish the minimum qualifications and evaluation criteria that the District will use to solicit audit services. The regular Board meeting will take place prior to the Audit Committee meeting where the Board may consider any other business that may properly come before it. A copy of the agendas may be obtained at the offices of the District Manager, PFM Group Consulting LLC, located at 12051 Corporate Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32817, (407) 723-5935 (“**District Manager’s Office**”), during normal business hours.

The meetings are open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with the provisions of Florida law. The meetings may be continued to a date, time, and place to be specified on the record at the meeting. There may be occasions when Board Supervisors or District Staff may participate by speaker telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at the meetings because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Manager’s Office at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by dialing 7-1-1, or 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) / 1-800-955-8770 (Voice), for aid in contacting the District Manager’s Office.

Any person who decides to appeal any decision made by the Board or the Committee with respect to any matter considered at the meetings is advised that person will need a record of proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Lynne Mullins
District Manager

**SUNBRIDGE STEWARDSHIP DISTRICT
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL AUDIT SERVICES**

The Sunbridge Stewardship District hereby requests proposals for annual financial auditing services. The proposal must provide for the auditing of the District's financial records for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021, with an option for four (4) additional annual renewals. The District is a local unit of special-purpose government created and existing under Chapter 2017-220, Laws of Florida, for the purpose of financing, constructing, and maintaining public infrastructure. The District is located in Osceola County and has an operating budget of approximately \$_____. The final contract will require that, among other things, the audit for the period ending September 30, 2021 must be completed no later than **June 1, 2022**.

Each auditing entity submitting a proposal must be authorized to do business in Florida; hold all applicable state and federal professional licenses in good standing, including but not limited to a license under Chapter 473, Florida Statutes; and be qualified to conduct audits in accordance with "Government Auditing Standards," as adopted by the Florida Board of Accountancy. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with Florida law and particularly Section 218.39, Florida Statutes, and the rules of the Florida Auditor General.

Proposal packages, which include evaluation criteria and instructions to proposers, are available from the District Manager at the address and telephone number listed below.

Proposers must provide three (3) hard copies of their proposal and one (1) electronic copy (CD or flash drive) to Lynne Mullins, District Manager, located at 12051 Corporate Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32817, in an envelope marked on the outside "Auditing Services – Sunbridge Stewardship District." Proposals must be received by _____, **2021**, at _____ **m.**, at the office of the District Manager. Please direct all questions regarding this Request for Proposals to the District Manager, who can be reached at (407) 723-5935.

Any protest regarding the terms of this Notice, or the proposal packages on file with the District Manager, must be filed in writing at the offices of the District Manager within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding weekends and state holidays) after publication of this Notice. 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 weekends 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 Notice or proposal package documents.

Sunbridge Stewardship District
Lynne Mullins, District Manager

RUN DATE: _____

**SUNBRIDGE STEWARDSHIP DISTRICT
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

District Auditing Services
Osceola County, Florida

INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS

SECTION 1. DUE DATE. Sealed proposals must be received no later than _____, **2021**, at _____
____.m., at the offices of the District Manager, PFM Group Consulting LLC, located at 12051 Corporate
Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32817. Proposals will be publicly opened at the meeting of the Board of Supervisors
on _____, _____, 2021, at _____ .m. at
_____.

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. Each Proposer shall submit three (3) hard copies and one (1) electronic copy of the Proposal Documents (defined below), 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 – Sunbridge Stewardship 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 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 or 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.** Provide three (3) 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. Identify any work previously conducted for other independent special districts.
- D.** The lump sum cost of the provision of the services under the proposal, plus the cost of four (4) annual renewals.

SECTION 13. PROTESTS. In accordance with the District's Rules of Procedure, any protest regarding the Proposal Documents, must be filed in writing, at the offices of the District Manager, within seventy-two (72) calendar hours (excluding Saturday, Sunday and state holidays) after the receipt of the Proposal 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 Saturday, Sunday 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 Proposal Documents.

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

**AUDITOR SELECTION
EVALUATION CRITERIA (WITH PRICE)**

1. Ability of Personnel. (20 Points)

This includes the 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 workload; proposed staffing levels, etc.

2. Proposer's Experience. (20 Points)

This includes 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 respondent, etc.

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.

5. Price. (20 Points)

Points will be awarded based upon the lowest total bid for rendering the services and the reasonableness of the proposal.

**AUDITOR SELECTION
EVALUATION CRITERIA (WITHOUT PRICE)**

1. Ability of Personnel. (25 Points)

This includes the 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 workload; proposed staffing levels, etc.

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