

whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under the previous paragraph shall not be limited in any way as to the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the vendor or any sub-contractor under worker's compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

## 20. Protests

Any prospective Vendor who disputes the reasonableness or appropriateness of the notice of award, or notice of rejection, for any or all term contracts may submit a notice of protest in writing within 72 hours (excluding HCSO holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays) of the notice of award to the HCSO Purchasing Section by registered mail or hand delivered for which a receipt must be provided.

The Purchasing Section will have five (5) business days upon receipt of this notice to meet and consider the protest as written. The Buyer will coordinate the review process with the parties involved and may request additional information from the Vendor or request a meeting to gain further clarification of the issues. Upon completion of this review process, the Buyer will make a recommendation to the CFO.

The CFO may concur with the recommendation or arrive at a separate decision. The decision of the CFO will be communicated to the Vendor in writing. This decision and the basis upon which it was made will be communicated to the Vendor within five (5) business days following the receipt of the recommendation from the Purchasing Section.


## 21. Public Records

Any material submitted in response to this RFQ will become a public document pursuant to §119.07, Fla. Stat. This includes material which the respondent might consider to be confidential or a trade secret. Any claim of confidentiality is waived upon submission, effective after opening pursuant to §119.07, Fla. Stat. The Vendor agrees to comply with §119.0701, Fla. Stat. regarding maintenance and provision of access to all public records generated by this Contract with the HCSO.

**If the Vendor has questions regarding the application of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, to the Vendor's duty to provide public records relating to this Contract, contact the custodian of public records at: HCSO Records Section, 1900 East 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605, Phone 813-247-8210 or email at [HCSORecords@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US](mailto:HCSORecords@HCSO.Tampa.FL.US)**

## 22. Specifications: Attached.

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