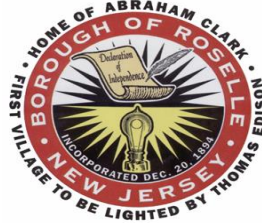


****PLEASE NOTE****

In person drop-off hours are Monday- Friday between the hours of 10:00AM - 4:00PM.
All submissions must be handed directly to the Purchasing Agent or an employee of the Municipality along with
delivery confirmation.

We are **NOT RESPONSIBLE** for deliveries.



BOROUGH OF ROSELLE

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES - CANNABIS

Borough of Roselle

Contract Term

March 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

**10:00 am
MARCH 12, 2024**

ADDRESS ALL PROPOSALS TO:

**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
PURCHASING DIVISION
BOROUGH HALL ANNEX,
108 WEST THIRD AVE
ROSELLE, NEW JERSEY 07203**

ATTN: ERIC M. WALKER II, PURCHASING AGENT

GENERAL INFORMATION & SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION REQUESTING QUALIFICATION

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE
108 WEST THIRD AVE
ROSELLE, NJ 07203

CONTACT

ERIC M. WALKER II
PURCHASING AGENT
PURCHASING DIVISION
(908) 259-3001 (P)
(862)233-0287 (C)

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The Borough of Roselle is requesting qualifications from qualified individuals and firms (hereinafter also referred to as the “contractor(s)”, “consultant(s)” or “proposer(s)”) to provide SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES – CANNABIS to the Borough. Qualifications will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFQ. One or more individuals/firms may be selected to provide services.

PERIOD OF CONTRACT

March 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

CONTRACT FORM

The successful proposer shall be required to execute the Borough’s form of contract, which shall include indemnification, insurance, termination and licensing provisions.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment by Contractor shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the Borough arising out of, or by reason of, the work performed and materials furnished under this Contract.

**DETAILED REQUIREMENTS OF THE
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR
SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES - CANNABIS**

1. BOROUGH OF ROSELLE FACTS AND FIGURES – The Borough of Roselle is a municipal governmental entity. The Borough was incorporated in 1894. The Borough is governed by the Borough Council which is made up of six members, and the Mayor. The mayor and council representative-at-large are elected by the entire borough. The remaining five council members are elected from five wards, one from each ward in which the member resides. The Borough’s population is approximately 21,415 and it consists of approximately 2.2 square miles of area. The Borough employs approximately 230 people in about 16 departments and agencies. It owns various buildings, and parks and recreation facilities throughout the Borough. The Borough government provides significant and diverse services to its residents and community members and neighbors.

2. NATURE/ SCOPE OF SERVICES – The Borough of Roselle is requesting qualifications for Special Counsel Services - Cannabis.

a. General Policy Review

Provide review and advice regarding the Borough’s cannabis zone regarding compliance with and interpretation of applicable federal, state and local statutes, rules, regulations and related operating parameters in the areas of cultivation, manufacturing, retail, wholesale, distribution, and delivery.

b. Third Party Representation

If applicable, provide assistance and advise regarding case presentation and representation of the Borough before third party review and appeal boards for cannabis zone.

c. Related Work

As requested, prepare and present staff training seminars on specific legal cannabis topics, especially in areas of statutory and regulatory issues etc.

d. Miscellaneous

All other cannabis related work, as required. All work commissioned and performed will be on a permanent basis; the contract maximum will only dictate the maximum amount of payment, and will not establish any guaranteed levels of work.

3. STANDARD REQUIREMENTS OF TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION - Proposers should submit a technical qualification which contains the following:

A. The name of the proposer, the principal place of business and, if different, the place where the services will be provided;

B. Proposer must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience providing Special Counsel- Cannabis services and a minimum of five (5) years experience providing such services to New Jersey governmental entities;

C. The name, licenses held, education, qualifications, experience, and training of all persons who would be assigned to provide services along with their names and titles;

- D. A listing of all other engagements where services of the types being proposed were provided in the past. This should include other municipalities and other levels of government. Contact information for the recipients of the similar services must be provided. The Borough may obtain references from any of the parties listed;
- E. A description of all other areas of work of the proposer, with emphasis on a description of those services of interest to a municipal government client;
- F. A description of any particular area(s) of expertise you or your firm may possess that have not been included in the response provided above;
- G. A statement that neither the firm nor any individuals assigned to this engagement are disbarred, suspended, or otherwise prohibited from professional practice by any federal, state, or local agency;
- H. A statement that the Respondent is in compliance with all applicable affirmative action (or similar) requirements with respect to its business activities, together with evidence of such compliance. Exhibit A contains mandatory Affirmative Action Language which shall be attached to any contract with the Borough by reference. The page titled "MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY NOTICE" lists the acceptable documents that may be submitted to evidence compliance e.g. a photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report;
- I. A completed Non-Collusion Affidavit (copy of form attached);
- J. A statement that the proposer will comply with the General Terms and Conditions required by the Borough and enter into the Borough's standard Professional Services Contract;
- K. A copy of the proposer's Business Registration Certificate.
- L. A completed Disclosure of Ownership Form.

4. SPECIALIZED REQUIREMENTS OF TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION - Proposer must demonstrate experience representing governmental entities in Special Counsel- Cannabis matters at the trial and appellate level in Federal and State Courts and administrative agencies.

5. COST QUALIFICATION – The Borough of Roselle anticipates an hourly rate of \$150-\$215 for such services, depending upon the nature of the matter(s) handled, to be determined by the Borough Council.

6. QUALIFICATION EVALUATION – The Borough will select the most advantageous qualifications based on all of the evaluation factors set forth at the end of this RFQ. The Borough will make the award(s) that is in the best interest of the Borough.

Each qualification must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFQ. The successful proposer shall be determined by an evaluation of the total content of the qualification submitted. The Borough reserves the right to:

- a. Not select any of the qualifications;
- b. Select only portions of a particular proposer's qualification for further consideration;
- c. Award a contract for the requested services at any time within the calendar year after review of the Qualifications and approval of same by the Borough Council; every qualification should be valid through this time period.

The Borough shall not be obligated to explain the results of the evaluation process to any proposer.

7. QUALIFICATION LIMITATIONS - This RFQ is not intended to be an offer, order or contract and should not be regarded as such, nor shall any obligation or liability be imposed on the Borough by issuance of this RFQ. The Borough reserves the right at the Borough's sole discretion to refuse any qualification submitted.

8. USE OF INFORMATION - Any specifications, drawings, sketches, models, samples, data, computer programs, documentation, technical or business information and the like ("Information") furnished or disclosed by the Borough to the proposer in connection with this RFQ shall remain the property of the Borough. When in tangible form, all copies of such information shall be returned to the Borough upon request. Unless such information was previously known to the proposer, free of any obligation to keep it confidential, or has been or is subsequently made public by the Borough or a third party, it shall be held in confidence by the proposer, shall be used only for the purposes of this RFQ, and may not be used for other purposes except upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon in writing.

9. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. The Borough reserves the right to reject any or all qualifications, if necessary, or to waive any informalities in the qualifications, and, unless otherwise specified by the proposer, to accept any item, items or services in the qualifications should it be deemed in the best interest of the Borough to do so.
- B. In case of failure by the successful proposer, the Borough of Roselle may procure the articles or services from other sources, deduct the cost of the replacement from money due to the proposer under the contract and hold the proposer responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.
- C. The proposer shall maintain sufficient insurance to protect against all claims under Workmen's Compensation, General, Professional and Automobile Liability.
- D. Each qualification must be signed by the person authorized to do so.
- E. The contract shall be in effect through December 31, 2024 unless otherwise stated.
- F. Qualifications may be hand delivered or mailed consistent with the provisions of the legal notice to proposers. In the case of mailed qualifications, the Borough assumes no responsibility for qualifications received after the designated date and time and will return late qualifications unopened. Qualifications **will not** be accepted by facsimile or

e-mail.

G. By submission of the qualification, the proposer certifies that the service to be furnished will not infringe upon any valid patent, trademark or copyright and the successful proposer shall, at its expense, defend any and all actions or suits charging such infringement, and will save the Borough harmless in any case of any such infringement.

H. No proposer shall influence, or attempt to influence, or cause to be influenced, any Borough officer or employee to use his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.

I. No proposer shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any Borough officer or employee to use his/her official capacity to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the proposer or any other person.

J. Should any difference arise between the contracting parties as to the meaning or intent of these instructions or specifications, the Borough Attorney's decision shall be final and conclusive.

K. The Borough of Roselle shall not be responsible for any expenditure of monies or other expenses incurred by the proposer in making its qualification.

L. The checklist, affidavits, notices and the like presented at the end of this Request for Qualifications are a part of this Request for Qualifications and shall be completed and submitted as part of this qualification.

END OF GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

BASIS OF AWARD

EVALUATION FACTORS

- A. Relevance and Extent of Qualifications, Experience, Reputation and Training of Personnel to be assigned**
- B. Knowledge of the Borough of Roselle and the subject matter to be addressed under this engagement**
- C. Relevance and Extent of Similar Engagements performed**
- D. Technical Qualification contains all required information**
- E. The cost of providing services. It should be noted that cost of services is important to the governing body of the Borough of Roselle, but it is not necessarily the most critical factor in evaluating the individual or firm's suitability to provide consultant services for the Borough of Roselle**

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION CHECKLIST

THIS CHECKLIST MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED WITH YOUR PROPOSAL:

**Please initial below, indicating that your proposal includes the itemized document.
A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED WITHOUT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS IS CAUSE FOR REFUSAL.**

INITIAL BELOW

- A. An original and **two (2)** signed copies of your complete proposal. _____
- B. Non-Collusion Affidavit properly notarized. _____
- C. Authorized signatures on all forms. _____
- D. Business Registration Certificate(s). _____
- E. Affirmative Action Statement. _____

Note: N.J.S.A 52:32-44 provides that the Borough shall not enter into a contract for goods or services unless the other party to the contract provides a copy of its business registration certificate and the business registration certificate of any subcontractors at the time that it submits its proposal. The contracting party must also collect the state use tax where applicable.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THE ABOVE LISTED REQUIREMENTS.

NAME OF PROPOSER:

Person, Firm or Corporation

BY: _____

(NAME)

(TITLE)

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE

NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
COUNTY OF UNION

ss:

I AM

OF THE FIRM OF

UPON MY OATH, I DEPOSE AND SAY:

1. THAT I EXECUTED THE SAID PROPOSAL WITH FULL AUTHORITY SO TO DO;
2. THAT THIS PROPOSER HAS NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ENTERED INTO ANY AGREEMENT, PARTICIPATED IN ANY COLLUSION, OR OTHERWISE TAKEN ANY ACTION IN RESTRAINT OF FAIR AND OPEN COMPETITION IN CONNECTION WITH THIS ENGAGEMENT;
3. THAT ALL STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN SAID PROPOSAL AND IN THIS AFFIDAVIT ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, AND MADE WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE THAT THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE RELIES UPON THE TRUTH OF THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN SAID PROPOSAL AND IN THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS AFFIDAVIT IN AWARDEDING THE CONTRACT FOR THE SAID ENGAGEMENT; AND
4. THAT NO PERSON OR SELLING AGENCY HAS BEEN EMPLOYED TO SOLICIT OR SECURE THIS ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT OR UNDERSTANDING FOR A COMMISSION, PERCENTAGE, BROKERAGE OR CONTINGENT FEE, EXCEPT BONA FIDE EMPLOYEES OR BONA FIDE ESTABLISHED COMMERCIAL SELLING AGENCIES OF THE PROPOSER. (N.J.S.A.52: 34-25)

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO

BEFORE ME THIS DAY

OF _____ 20_____.

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF
AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)

NOTARY PUBLIC OF

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: _____, 20_____.

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP
(OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATION)

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33, as amended by P.L. 2016, c.43)

**This Statement Shall Be Included with
All Bid and Proposal Submissions**

Name of Business: _____

Address of Business: _____

Name of person completing this form: _____

N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2:

"No corporation, partnership, or limited liability company shall be awarded any contract nor shall any agreement be entered into for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any materials or supplies, unless prior to the receipt of the bid or proposal, or accompanying the bid or proposal of said corporation, said partnership, or said limited liability company there is submitted a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be.

If one or more such stockholder or partner or member is itself a corporation or partnership or limited liability company, the stockholders holding 10 percent or more of that corporation's stock, or the individual partners owning 10 percent or greater interest in that partnership, or the members owning 10 percent or greater interest in that limited liability company, as the case may be, shall also be listed. The disclosure shall be continued until names and addresses of every noncorporate stockholder, and individual partner, and member, exceeding the 10 percent ownership criteria established in this act, has been listed.

To comply with this section, a bidder with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest."

The Attorney General has advised that the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, which refer to corporations and partnerships apply to limited partnerships, limited liability partnerships, and Subchapter S corporations.

This Ownership Disclosure Certification form shall be completed, signed and notarized.

Failure of the bidder/proposer to submit the required information is cause for automatic rejection of the bid or proposal

Part I

Check the box that represents the type of business organization:

- Sole Proprietorship (skip Parts II and III, sign and notarize at the end)
- Non-Profit Corporation (skip Parts II and III, sign and notarize at the end)
- Partnership Limited Partnership Limited Liability Partnership
- Limited Liability Company
- For-profit Corporation (including Subchapters C and S or Professional Corporation)
- Other (be specific): _____

Part II

- I certify that the list below contains the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or of all members in the limited liability company who own a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be.

OR

- I certify that no one stockholder in the corporation owns 10 percent or more of its stock, of any class, or no individual partner in the partnership owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, or that no member in the limited liability company owns a 10 percent or greater interest therein, as the case may be.

Sign and notarize the form below, and, if necessary, complete the list below. (Please attach additional sheets if more space is needed):

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Part III - Any Direct or Indirect Parent Entity Which is Publicly Traded:

“To comply with this section, a bidder with any direct or indirect parent entity which is publicly traded may submit the name and address of each publicly traded entity and the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest in the publicly traded entity as of the last annual filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent, and, if there is any person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest, also shall submit links to the websites containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent and the relevant page numbers of the filings that contain the information on each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest.”

Pages attached with name and address of each publicly traded entity as well _____ as the name and address of each person that holds a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest.

OR

Submit here the links to the Websites (URLs) containing the last annual filings with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission or the foreign equivalent.

AND

Submit here the relevant page numbers of the filings containing the information on each person holding a 10 percent or greater beneficial interest.

Subscribed and sworn before me this ____ day of _____, 20____.

(Notary Public)

My Commission expires:

(Affiant)

(Print name of affiant and title if applicable)

(Corporate Seal if a Corporation)

EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE

N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. (P.L. 1975, C. 127)

N.J.A.C. 17:27

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to make good faith efforts to employ minority and women workers consistent with the applicable county employment goals established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2, or a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Division, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing its appropriate recruitment agencies including, but not limited to, employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

In conforming with the applicable employment goals, the contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and layoff to ensure that all such actions are taken without

regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor shall submit to the public agency, after notification of award but prior to execution of a goods and services contract, one of the following three documents:

Letter of Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval

Certificate of Employee Information Report

Employee Information Report Form AA302

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Div. of Contract Compliance & EEO as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Div. of Contract Compliance & EEO for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to **Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 17:27.**

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY NOTICE

(N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.)

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

This form is a summary of the successful professional service entity's requirement to comply with the requirements of **N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq.** and **N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.**

The successful professional service entity shall submit to the Borough of Roselle, after notification of award but prior to execution of this contract, one of the following three documents as forms of evidence:

- (a) A photocopy of a valid letter that the vendor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program (good for one year from the date of the letter);

OR

- (b) A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.;

OR

- (c) A photocopy of an Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division of Contract Compliance and distributed to the Borough of Roselle to be completed by the vendor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

The successful professional service entity may obtain the Employee Information Report (AA302) from the Borough of Roselle during normal business hours.

The successful professional service entities must submit the white and canary copies of the AA302 (Employee Information Report) to the Division of Contract Compliance and Equal Employment Opportunity in Public Contracts (Division). The pink *Public Agency* copy is submitted to the Borough of Roselle, and the gold *Vendor* copy is retained by the professional service entity.

The undersigned professional service entity certifies that he/she is aware of the commitment to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. and agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence.

The undersigned professional service entity further understands that his/her submission shall be rejected as non-responsive if said professional service entity fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

COMPANY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ PRINT NAME: _____

TITLE: _____ DATE: _____

COPY OF CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

*PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF YOUR CERTIFICATE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION
REPORT

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITY

The CONTRACTOR and the BOROUGH OF ROSELLE (herein referred to as the Borough) do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. S12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereunto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the BOROUGH pursuant to this contract, the CONTRACTOR agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event the CONTRACTOR, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the CONTRACTOR shall defend the BOROUGH in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the BOROUGH, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The CONTRACTOR shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the BOROUGH'S grievance procedure, the CONTRACTOR agrees to abide by any decision of the BOROUGH, which is rendered pursuant to, said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the BOROUGH or if the BOROUGH incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the CONTRACTOR shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The BOROUGH shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the CONTRACTOR along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the BOROUGH or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the BOROUGH shall expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the CONTRACTOR every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the BOROUGH or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the BOROUGH of the services provided by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this contract will not relieve the CONTRACTOR of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the BOROUGH pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the BOROUGH assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the CONTRACTOR, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the CONTRACTOR expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the CONTRACTOR'S obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the CONTRACTOR from any liability, nor preclude the BOROUGH from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of this Agreement or otherwise at law.

BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
ATTENTION ALL PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ENTITIES

On June 29, 2004, Governor McGreevey signed P.L. 2004, c.57, Business Registration of Contractors with Government Agencies, into law. Effective September 1, 2004, all business organizations that do business with a local contracting agency (i.e. Borough of Roselle) are required to be registered with the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue, and provide proof of that registration to the contracting agency before the contracting agency may enter into a contract with the business.

A "Business Organization" means an individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation or other legal business entity or successor thereof.

The law provides that: A copy of the Business Registration Certificate issued by the NJ Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue, shall be provided at the time any submission is received; *failure to do so is a fatal defect that cannot be cured.* This law covers construction as well as non-construction submissions.

Further information may be obtained by visiting the following web site at the State of New Jersey: www.nj.gov/treasury/revenue/busregcert.htm

Goods & Services Contracts (including purchase orders):

N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 imposes the following requirements on contractors and all subcontractors that **knowingly** provide goods or perform services for a contractor fulfilling this contract:

- 1) The contractor shall provide written notice to its subcontractors and suppliers to submit proof of business registration to the contractor;
- 2) Prior to receipt of final payment from a contracting agency, a contractor must submit to the contracting agency an accurate list of all subcontractors or attest that none were used;
- 3) During the term of this contract, the contractor and its affiliates shall collect and remit, and shall notify all subcontractors and their affiliates, that they must collect and remit to the Director, New Jersey Division of Taxation, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act, (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into this State.

A contractor, subcontractor or supplier who fails to provide proof of business registration or provides false business registration information shall be liable to a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration not properly provided or maintained under a contract with a contracting agency.

COPY OF BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE