



OFFICE SUPPLIES, RELATED PRODUCTS AND SERVICES  
Executive Summary

**Lead Agency:** Region 4 Education Service Center

**Solicitation:** RFP 19-03

**RFP Issued:** December 5, 2018

**Pre-Proposal Date:** December 18, 2018

**Response Due Date:** January 24, 2019

**Proposals Received:** #7

**Awarded to:** Office Depot, Inc. R190303

The Region 4 ESC Procurement Office issued RFP 19-03 on December 5, 2018 to establish a national cooperative contract for Office Supplies, Related Products and Services.

The solicitation included cooperative purchasing language in Sections I – Scope of Work:

*Region 4 ESC, as the Principal Procurement Agency, defined in APPENDIX D, has partnered with OMNIA Partners to make the resultant contract (also known as the “Master Agreement” in materials distributed by OMNIA Partners) from this solicitation available to other public agencies nationally, including state and local governmental entities, public and private primary, secondary and higher education entities, non-profit entities, and agencies for the public benefit (“Public Agencies”), through OMNIA Partners’ cooperative purchasing program. The Region 4 ESC is acting as the contracting agency for any other Public Agency that elects to utilize the resulting Master Agreement. Use of the Master Agreement by any Public Agency is preceded by their registration with OMNIA Partners (a “Participating Public Agency”). APPENDIX D contains additional information about OMNIA Partners and the cooperative purchasing agreement.*

Notice of the solicitation was sent to potential offerors, as well as advertised in the following:

- Region 4 ESC website
- OMNIA Partners, Public Sector website
- USA Today, nationwide
- Arizona Business Gazette, AZ
- San Bernardino Sun, CA
- Honolulu Star-Advertiser, HI
- The Advocate – New Orleans, LA
- New Jersey Herald, NJ
- Times Union, NY
- Daily Journal of Commerce, OR
- The State, SC
- Houston Community Newspapers, Cy Creek Mirror, TX
- Deseret News, UT
- Richmond Times, VA
- Seattle Daily Journal of Commerce, WA
- Helena Independent Record, MT

On January 24, 2019 proposals were received from the following offerors:

- EPIC Business Essentials
- Gonzalez Solutions for Business
- Lamrite West, Inc.
- Office Depot, Inc.
- Quill LLC
- Rapp Productions dba FurnitureLab
- Waterlogic Americas

The proposals were evaluated by an evaluation committee. Using the evaluation criteria established in the RFP, the committee elected to recommend awards to EPIC Business Essentials, Gonzalez Solutions for Business, Office Depot, Inc. and Quill LLC. The vendors submitted comparable proposals with competitive pricing and product ranges.

On April 23, 2019 the Board of Directors of Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC) approved the multiple awards for office supplies, related product and services to EPIC Business Essentials, Gonzalez Solutions for Business, Office Depot, Inc. and Quill LLC.

The Board of Directors of Region 4 Education Service Center and OMNIA Partners, Public Sector executed the agreement with a contract effective date of July 1, 2019

Contract includes:

- Offering a wide range of products and solutions
- Customized core list capabilities, customer access to online ordering and billing solutions
- Program Incentive Rebates
- National network of retail locations

Term:

Initial five-year agreement from July 1, 2019 to through June 30, 2024 with the option to renew for five (1) additional one-year periods through June 30, 2029.

Pricing/Discount:

- Fixed Net Priced
- Web less discount pricing by category for all Non-Core in current printed Office Depot BSD and the BSD School Solutions Catalog
- Qualified Free Delivery: \$50 minimum purchase

OMNIA Partners, Public Sector Web Landing Pages:

<https://www.omniapartners.com/publicsector/contracts/supplier-contracts/office-depot>

**City of Tamarac, FL**

**Contract # 19-12R**

*for*

Office Supplies, Products and Related Services

*with*

**Office Depot, Inc.**

Effective: October 14, 2019

The following documents comprise the executed contract between the City of Tamarac, FL and Office Depot, Inc., effective October 14, 2019:

- I. Resolution No. R-2019-76
- II. Vendor Agreement Contract and Signature Form
- III. Supplier's Response to the RFP, incorporated by reference

CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION NO. R-2019- 76

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA, AWARDED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #19-12R TO OFFICE DEPOT, INC.; AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR OFFICE SUPPLY NEEDS WITH OFFICE DEPOT, INC. ON BEHALF OF THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE AND THE OMNIA PARTNERS, LLC, CONSORTIUM UTILIZING PRICING PROVIDED THROUGH REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #19-12R FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 14, 2019 THROUGH OCTOBER 13, 2023, WITH ONE (1) FOUR (4) YEAR RENEWAL OPTION; APPROVING THE EARLY TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE OF THE AGREEMENT WITH OFFICE DEPOT DATED OCTOBER 18, 2016 FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 14, 2019 THROUGH OCTOBER 17, 2019; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT RENEWAL OPTIONS AND ANY REQUIRED AGREEMENTS WITH OMNIA PARTNERS, LLC RELATING TO ADMINISTRATION OF THE OFFICE SUPPLY AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS DOCUMENT IS A TRUE  
AND CORRECT COPY OF

R-2019-76

THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS ON FILE IN CITY HALL

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL

OF THE CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA

THIS 16<sup>th</sup> DAY OF October, 2019

CITY CLERK

WHEREAS, the City of Tamarac has need to purchase office supplies to support all City operations; and

WHEREAS, the utilization of a term contract agreement provides for volume savings through quantity discounts; and



WHEREAS, the City of Tamarac served as the "lead agency" for the Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative and for the Omnia Partners, LLC, consortium for the purchase of office supply needs; and

WHEREAS, thirty-one (31) governmental agencies within the Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative and all members of the Omnia Partners, LLC Consortium across the United States are eligible to utilize this agreement for the purchase of approximately \$49 million in annual office supplies estimated to be purchased on a national basis; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tamarac formally advertised and issued Request for Proposal # 19-12R in order to obtain pricing and service capability information for vendors in the office supply marketplace, a copy of which is on file with the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS two (2) firms responded to the RFP as follows:

Office Depot, Inc., Boca Raton, Florida

The Office Cart, LLC, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation team facilitated and chaired by the City of Tamarac Purchasing and Contracts Manager, and including procurement professionals from the City of Coral Springs, Florida, the City of Margate, Florida, the City of Sunrise, Florida, and the Financial Services Purchasing and Contracts Division Procurement Coordinator, as well as a non-voting member from Omnia Partners, LLC who solely served in an advisory role, evaluated and ranked all responses to the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the proposal offering submitted by Office Depot, Inc. was ranked by the Evaluation Committee as the most advantageous, best value overall response to the solicitation in terms of service capabilities and pricing, a copy of the proposal evaluation scores are included herein as Exhibit "1"; and

WHEREAS, Office Depot, Inc. has successfully supplied the needs of the Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative and the Omnia Partners, LLC Consortium in the past; and

WHEREAS, the proposal provides for one (1) four (4) year renewal option based on satisfactory performance under the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available from all Departments' Operating funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Tamarac finds it to be in the best interest of the City of Tamarac to award RFP #19-12R to Office Depot, Inc. and to authorize the appropriate City Officials to execute an Agreement with Office Depot, Inc. for the purchase of Office Supplies by the City and members of the Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative and the Omnia Partners, LLC consortium using pricing provided by Office Depot, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA THAT:

SECTION 1: The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are HEREBY ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of

this Resolution upon adoption hereof and all exhibits referenced and attached hereto are incorporated herein and made a specific part of this resolution.

SECTION 2: The City Commission hereby awards Request for Proposal #19-12R to Office Depot, Inc., and authorizes the appropriate City Officials to execute an Agreement with Office Depot, Inc. for the purchase of Office Supplies using pricing provided by Office Depot, Inc., a copy of said Agreement is included herein as Exhibit "2", for the City and the members of the Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative, and the national members of the Omnia Partners, LLC consortium.

SECTION 3: The City Manager or designee furthermore is hereby authorized to approve and accept renewal options and other contract amendments pursuant to the requirements of the Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit "2" as well as any administrative Agreements between the City and Omnia Partners, LLC which may be required to administer the Office Supply Agreement with Office Depot, Inc.

SECTION 4: The City Commission authorizes the early termination for convenience of the current Agreement in force between the City and Office Depot, Inc., which was effective on October 18, 2016 for the period from October 14, 2019 through October 17, 2019, to provide for a more efficient transition between Agreements.

SECTION 5: All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are HEREBY repealed to the extent of such conflict.



SECTION 6: If any clause, section, other part or application of this Resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Resolution.

SECTION 7: This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019.

  
MICHELLE J. GOMEZ  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
PATRICIA TEUFEL, CMC  
CITY CLERK

RECORD OF COMMISSION VOTE:

MAYOR GOMEZ  
DIST 1: COMM. BOLTON  
DIST 2: COMM. GELIN  
DIST 3: COMM. FISHMAN  
DIST 4: V/M PLACKO

yes  
yes  
yes  
yes  
yes

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE  
APPROVED THIS RESOLUTION  
AS TO FORM

 7/10/19  
SAMUEL S. GOREN  
CITY ATTORNEY