

Audit RFQ Notes

Donald L. Allman, CPA –

- Cost is affordable at \$18,000-20,000 but that is with a 5-year commitment to the firm.
- Firm meets insurance requirements that were recommended.
- Many years of experience in public accounting
- Timeline given will meet TWDB deadline that was mentioned in prior year audit findings.

Abip –

- No fee included in bid. City of Boerne recommended this firm and they budgeted \$80,000 for audit fees for FY26 but paid \$55,200 in FY25. I believe this is because they will need a single audit for FY26 due to federal monies received.
- Firm meets insurance requirements that were recommended.
- Many years of experience in public accounting
- No timeline given.

AVA-

- No fee included in bid. I looked at several cities they represent and found the one most like Bandera (population size, utility and general fund revenue and expenses) I contacted City of Runge because they have no website and found them to be most comparable, The City Secretary told me they paid \$33,500 in FY25.
- Firm meets insurance requirements that were recommended.
- Many years of experience in public accounting
- Timeline given will meet TWDB deadline that was mentioned in prior year audit findings.

Green Growth-

- No fee included in bid. No list of other clients given, so I could not look at their budgets to compare.
- Firm meets insurance requirements that were recommended.
- Many years of experience in accounting.
- No timeline given.

Carr, Riggs, & Ingram-

- Proposed fees- FY25 \$37,000, FY26 \$37,000, FY27 \$39,500. Ranked in top 25 public auditing firm out of 46,000 in the US.
- No insurance information given.
- Many years of experience in public accounting
- Timeline given will meet TWDB deadline that was mentioned in prior year audit findings.

EDE-

- Proposed fees- \$27,500. Recommended by BISD, also represents Bandera County River Authority
- No mention of insurance requirements in bid
- Many years of experience in public accounting
- Timeline given could pose problems with TWDB deadlines.

Please keep in mind: In accordance with Texas Government Code Sec. 2254.003.

SELECTION OF PROVIDER; FEES. (a) A governmental entity may not select a provider of professional services or a group or association of providers or award a contract for the services on the basis of competitive bids submitted for the contract or for the services, but shall make the selection and award:

(1) on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications to perform the services; and

(2) for a fair and reasonable price.