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## **ADDENDA 2**

To: All Interested Vendors

From: Araceli Hernandez, Formal Bid/Buyer

Date: February 5, 2021

Subject: RFP 21-015 Application for Depository Bank and Safekeeping for the County of El Paso

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### **This addendum has been issued to notify vendors of the following:**

1. In light of current travel restrictions (impacting both print shops and in person proposal delivery), would the County allow proposals to be submitted electronically?

**Response: The County is not accepting electronic submittals at this time. No-in-person submittals are allowed. Vendors must mail via USPS or third-party carrier (i.e. Fed-Ex/UPS).**

**The County of El Paso is not responsible for late deliveries of any kind or any reason.**

2. Due to the size of the firm's annual report and to support "green initiatives," the firm provides its annual report, call reports and other financial data on its website for download. Is this method of delivery acceptable to the County?

**Response: Provide direct links to the information requested you would like to provide through a website.**

3. Can the County describe the County's criteria for the "pre-defined ID approved by the County Auditor?"

**Response: Pre-defined is where the accounts that funds going to entities that we routinely wire fund to are setup as to the account the funds are coming out of and the account they are going to, so that funds cannot be easily diverted.**

4. Does the County originate any payments in foreign currencies? If so, do you have an estimate of the number of payments and dollar value per year?

**Response: No payments are originated in foreign currencies.**

5. How many accounts use ACH origination online? Via Transmission?

**Response: 19 accounts.**

6. Does the County accept any currencies besides U.S. dollar payments?

**Response: No.**

7. What armored courier does the County use for vault deposits?

**Response: Currently Miracle Delivery. Vendor may change depending on future RFPs for that service.**

8. Can the County provide dollar values for vault deposits?

**Response: The value for vault deposit is \$800K-\$900K per week.**

9. Can the County describe its use of branch services (nature of deposits)?

**Response: Most of the County's deposits are delivered to the bank by our armored service. On occasion some of our constables will personally make deposits at the bank branches.**

10. The County mentions in the collateral section of the RFP that a Federal Home Loan Bank Letter of Credit at the Dallas location is acceptable. J.P. Morgan uses the Federal Home Loan Bank in Cincinnati for all Federal Home Loan Bank Letters of Credit. Please advise if the County would be comfortable with a Federal Home Loan Bank letter of Credit from Cincinnati as collateral.

**Response: The County prefers the FHLB of Dallas because the El Paso County is in Texas; however, other FHLBs are acceptable.**

11. Can the County provide an account analysis with service or AFP Codes and volumes?

**Response: At this time an account analysis with AFP codes is not available. See attachment.**

12. What percentage of payments to the County are originated outside of the U.S.?

**Response: None**

13. Do you anticipate extending the bid due date?

**Response: Yes, the opening date has been extended to Thursday, February 18, 2021.**

14. What additional details is the County willing to provide, if any, beyond what is stated in bid documents concerning how you will identify the winning bid?

**Response: There are no additional details.**

15. Was this bid posted to the nationwide free bid notification website at [www.mygovwatch.com/free?](http://www.mygovwatch.com/free?) [mygovwatch.com]

**Response: This RFP was posted on the El Paso County Website and the El Paso Inc. newspaper.**

16. Other than your own website, where was this bid posted?

**Response: This RFP was posted on the El Paso County Website and the El Paso Inc. newspaper.**