CITY OF NEWTON
PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

CONTRACT FOR NEWTON FREE LIBRARY

PROJECT MANUAL:
LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE
INVITATION FOR BID #15-50

Bid Opening Date: December 11, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER 2014
Setti D. Warren, Mayor
The City of Newton (City) invites sealed bids from Contractors for:

LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE

Bids will be received until: **11:30 a.m., Thursday, December 11, 2014** at the Purchasing Department, Room 201, Newton City Hall, 1000 Commonwealth Ave., Newton, MA 02459. Immediately following the deadline for bids all bids received within the time specified will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Contract Documents will be available on line at [www.newtonma.gov/bids](http://www.newtonma.gov/bids) or for pickup at Newton City Hall, Room 204, Purchasing Department, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459 after **10:00 a.m., November 20, 2014**.

There will be no charge for contract documents.

Bid surety is not required with this bid.

Award will be made to the lowest, responsible, and responsive bidder for services based on a Service Percentage. **Provision of services is required to start upon the execution of this contract, to meet the renewal dates listed in our subscription list without gaps or overlaps in coverage.** The dollar value of the contract may be increased in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30B, §13 but in any event shall not be increased by an amount more than twenty five percent (25%) of the contract total.

The term of the awarded contract shall extend from the time of execution for approximately 12 months through December 31, 2015 and may be renewed by the City for two (2) terms of 12-months each.

If for any part thereof during the term of this Agreement, funds for the discharge of the City’s obligations under this Agreement are not appropriated and authorized, or funds so appropriated and authorized are reduced or withdrawn, then this Agreement shall terminate.

All bids are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. c.30B. F.O.B. Destination inside designated department, Newton, MA.

All bids shall be submitted as **one (1) ORIGINAL and two (2) COPIES.**

All City bids are available on the City’s web site at [www.newtonma.gov/bids](http://www.newtonma.gov/bids). It is the sole responsibility of the contractor downloading these bids to ensure they have received any and all addenda prior to the bid opening.

Addenda will be available online within the original bid document as well as a separate file. If you download bids from the internet site and would like to make it known that your company has done so, you may fax the Purchasing Department (617) 796-1227 or email to purchasing@newtonma.gov with your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE, FAX AND INVITATION FOR BID NUMBER.

The City will reject any and all bids in accordance with the above referenced General Laws. In addition, the City reserves the right to waive minor informalities in any or all bids, or to reject any or all bids (in whole or in part) if it be in the public interest to do so.

CITY OF NEWTON

Nicholas Read
Chief Procurement Officer
November 20, 2014
ARTICLE 1 - BIDDER'S REPRESENTATION

1.1 Each General Bidder (hereinafter called the "Bidder") by making a bid (hereinafter called "bid") represents that:

1. The Bidder has read and understands the Bidding Documents, Contract Forms, General Conditions, Conditions of the Contract, General Requirements and Project Specifications (collectively, referred to as the “Contract Documents”) and the bid is made in accordance therewith.

2. The Bidder is familiar with the local conditions under which the work has to be performed.

1.2 Failure to so examine the Contract Documents will not relieve any Bidder from any obligation under the bid as submitted.

ARTICLE 2 - REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION

2.1 Bidders shall promptly notify the City of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or error which they may discover upon examination of the Contract Documents, the site, and local conditions.

2.2 Bidders requiring clarification or interpretation of the Contract Documents shall make a written request to the Chief Procurement Officer, at purchasing@newtonma.gov or via facsimile (617) 796-1227. The City will only answer such requests if received by Friday, December 5, 2014 at 12:00 noon.

2.3 Interpretation, correction, or change in the Contract Documents will be made by addendum which will become part of the Contract Documents. The City will not be held accountable for any oral communication.

2.4 Addenda will be emailed to every individual or firm on record as having taken a set of Contract Documents.

2.5 Copies of addenda will be made available for inspection at the location listed in the Invitation for Bids where Contract Documents are on file, in addition to being available online at www.newtonma.gov/bids.

2.6 Bidders or proposers contacting ANY CITY EMPLOYEE regarding an Invitation for Bid (IFB) or a Request for Proposal (RFP), outside of the Purchasing Department, once an IFB or RFP has been released, may be disqualified from the procurement process.

2.7 Bidders downloading information off the internet web site are solely responsible for obtaining any addenda prior to the bid opening. If the bidder makes itself known to the Purchasing Department, at purchasing@newtonma.gov or via facsimile (617) 796-1227, it shall be placed on the bidder’s list. Bidders must provide the Purchasing Department with their company’s name, street address, city, state, zip, phone, fax, email address and INVITATION FOR BID #15-50.

ARTICLE 3 - MBE PARTICIPATION

3.1 Notice is hereby given that the Mayor’s Affirmative Action Plan for the City of Newton in effect at the time of this solicitation is applicable to all construction contracts in excess of $10,000.00.

3.2 Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority/Women Business Enterprise Plan and the Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program in effect at the time of this solicitation are applicable to all City contracts for goods and services in excess of $50,000.00.

3.3 Copies of the Plans and Program referred to in Sections 3.1 and 3.2 are available at: www.newtonma.gov/bids.
ARTICLE 4 - PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

4.1 Bids shall be submitted on the "Bid Form" as appropriate, furnished by the City.

4.2 All entries on the Bid Form shall be made by typewriter or in ink.

4.3 Where so indicated on the Bid Form, sums shall be expressed in both words and figures. Where there is a discrepancy between the bid sum expressed in words and the bid sum expressed in figures, the words shall control.

4.4 The Bid, including the bid deposit shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the following plainly marked on the outside:

   * GENERAL BID FOR:  #15-50
   * NAME OF PROJECT:  Library Periodical Subscription Management Service
   * BIDDER'S NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER

4.5 Date and time for receipt of bids is set forth in the Invitation for Bids.

4.6 Timely delivery of a bid at the location designated shall be the full responsibility of the Bidder. In the event that Newton City Hall is closed on the date or at the time that bids are due, the date and time for receipt of bids shall be on the next business day following that the Newton City Hall and the Purchasing Department are open.

4.7 Bids shall be submitted with one original and two copies.

4.8 Be advised that a new Massachusetts law has been enacted that required all employees who work on Massachusetts Public works construction sites must have no less than 10 hours of OSHA-approved safety and health training. See Chapter 306 of the Acts of 2004, which became effective July 1, 2006.

   1. This requirement will apply to any general bid or sub bid submitted.
   2. This law directs the Massachusetts Attorney General to restrain the award of construction contracts to any contractor who is in violation to this requirement and to restrain the performance of these contracts by non-complying contractors.
   3. The contractor and all subcontractors on this project will be required to provide certification of compliance with this requirement. Non-compliance with this law will disqualify you from bidding on public contracts.

ARTICLE 5 - ALTERNATES

5.1 Each Bidder shall acknowledge alternates (if any) in Section C on the Bid Form.

5.2 In the event an alternate does not involve a change in the amount of the base bid, the Bidder shall so indicated by writing "No Change", or "N/C" or "0" in the space provided for that alternate.

5.3 Bidders shall enter on the Bid Form a single amount for each alternate which shall consist of the amount for work performed by the Contractor.

5.4 The low Bidder will be determined on the basis of the sum of the base bid and the accepted alternates.

ARTICLE 6 - WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

6.1 Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the time designated for receipt of bids on written or electronic request. Electronic withdrawal of bids must be confirmed over the Bidder's signature by written notice postmarked on or before the date and time set for receipt of bids.

6.2 Withdrawn bids may be resubmitted up to the time designated for the receipt of bids.
6.3 No bids may be withdrawn within sixty (60) days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

ARTICLE 7 - CONTRACT AWARD

7.1 The City will award one (1) contract to the responsible and responsive Bidder offering the Service Percentage most advantageous to the City as set forth in Section C of Bid Form 15-150. A contract will be awarded within sixty (60) days, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of bids.

7.2 The City reserves the right to waive minor informalities in or to reject any or all Bids if it be in the public interest to do so.

7.3 The City reserves the right to reject any bidder who has failed to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments, or any other municipal charge, unless the bidder has a pending abatement application or has entered into a payment agreement with the collector-treasurer.

7.4 As used herein, the term "lowest responsive and responsible Bidder" shall mean the Bidder (1) whose bid is the lowest of those bidders possessing the skill, ability and integrity necessary for the faithful performance of the work; (2) who has met all the requirements of the invitation for bids; (3) who shall certify that he is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed in the work; (4) who, where the provisions of section eight B of chapter twenty-nine apply, shall have been determined to be qualified thereunder.

7.5 Subsequent to the award and within five (5) days, Saturday, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the prescribed forms are presented for signature, the successful Bidder shall execute and deliver to the City a contract in the form included in the Contract Documents in such number of counterparts as the City may require.

7.6 In the event that the City receives low bids in identical amount from two or more responsive and responsible Bidders, the City shall select the successful Bidder by a blind selection process chosen by the City such as flipping a coin or drawing names from a hat. The low Bidders who are under consideration will be invited to attend and observe the selection process.

ARTICLE 8 - TAXES

8.1 The Bidder shall not include in this bid any tax imposed upon the sale or rental of tangible personal property in this Commonwealth, such as any and all building materials, supplies, services and equipment required to complete the work.

8.2 The City is exempt from payment of the Massachusetts Sales Tax, and the Bidder shall not include any sales tax on its bid. The City’s exemption Number is E-046-001-404.

ARTICLE 9 – PROPRIETARY SPECIFICATIONS

9.1 The City has used a proprietary specification to describe the supply for which it is soliciting bids. Such specifications are permitted under M.G.L. c. 30B, §14, provided that the Chief Procurement Officer has prepared a written statement that no other manner of description suffices and the justification therefor.

9.2 The required determination and justification have been duly prepared, and a copy may be requested in accordance with the Massachusetts Public Records Law, M.G.L. c. 66, §10.

END OF SECTION
CITY OF NEWTON

DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING

BID FORM #15-50

A. The undersigned proposes to furnish all labor, materials, tools, equipment, transportation and supervision required to perform all work in accordance with the Project Manual prepared by the City entitled:

LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE

B. This bid includes addenda number(s) _____: _____. _____. _____.

For

LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE

The undersigned shall charge to the City for each subscription an amount equal to the list price for that subscription plus a percentage service fee equal to

______________________________________________ per cent and _______________________

(Written word) (Numerical)

of such list price.

Service Percentage (From execution of the contract through December 31, 2015)

IMPORTANT: Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder based on the Service Percentage.

COMPANY NAME _________________________________________________

D. Prompt Payment Discounts. Bidders are encouraged to offer discounts in exchange for an expedited payment. Payments may be issued earlier than the general goal of within 30 days of receipt of the invoice only when in exchange for discounted prices. Discounts will not be considered in determining the lowest responsible bidder.

Prompt Payment Discount _______ %__________ Days
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E. The undersigned has completed and submits herewith the following documents:

- Signed Bid Form, 2 pages
- Completed Attachment A: Periodical Listing, Separate Excel File
- Bidder’s Qualifications and References Form, 2 pages
- Certificate of Non-Collusion, 1 page
- Certification of Tax Compliance, 1 page
- Item Sheets, 7 pages
- Debarment Letter, 1 page
- IRS Form W-9
F. The undersigned agrees that, if selected as general contractor, s/he will within five days (Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded) after presentation thereof by the City, execute a contract in accordance with the terms of this bid.

The undersigned hereby certifies that it will comply fully with all laws and regulations applicable to awards made subject to M.G.L. c.30B.

The undersigned further certifies under the penalties of perjury that this bid has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this section the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club or other organization, entity, or group of individuals. The undersigned further certifies under penalty of perjury that the said undersigned is not presently debarred from public contracting or subcontracting in the Commonwealth under the provisions of M.G.L. c.29, §29F or any other applicable debarment provisions of any other chapter of the General Laws or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder.

Date _____________________
(Name of General Bidder)

BY: __________________________________________
(Printed Name and Title of Signatory)

(Business Address)

(City, State Zip)

(Telephone) ______________________ (FAX) ______________

(E-mail Address)

NOTE: If the bidder is a corporation, indicate state of incorporation under signature, and affix corporate seal; if a partnership, give full names and residential addresses of all partners; if an individual, give residential address if different from business address; and, if operating as a d/b/a give full legal identity. Attach additional pages as necessary.

END OF SECTION
CITY OF NEWTON

BIDDER’S QUALIFICATIONS AND REFERENCES FORM

All questions must be answered, and the data given must be clear and comprehensive. Please type or print legibly. If necessary, add additional sheet for starred items. This information will be utilized by the City for purposes of determining bidder responsiveness and responsibility with regard to the requirements and specifications of the Contract.

1. FIRM NAME: _________________________________________________________

2. WHEN ORGANIZED: _________________________________

3. INCORPORATED? _____ YES _____ NO DATE AND STATE OF INCORPORATION: __________

4. IS YOUR BUSINESS A MBE? _____YES _____NO WBE? _____YES _____NO or MWBE? _____YES _____NO

* 5. LIST ALL CONTRACTS CURRENTLY ON HAND, SHOWING CONTRACT AMOUNT AND ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION:

_____________________________________________________________________________________

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* 6. HAVE YOU EVER FAILED TO COMPLETE A CONTRACT AWARDED TO YOU?

_____ YES _____ NO

IF YES, WHERE AND WHY?

_____________________________________________________________________________________

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* 7. HAVE YOU EVER DEFAULTED ON A CONTRACT? _____ YES _____ NO

IF YES, PROVIDE DETAILS.

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* 8. LIST YOUR VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR THIS CONTRACT:

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* 9. IN THE SPACES FOLLOWING, PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING CONTRACTS COMPLETED BY YOUR FIRM SIMILAR IN NATURE TO THE PROJECT BEING BID. A MINIMUM OF FOUR (4) CONTRACTS SHALL BE LISTED. PUBLICLY BID CONTRACTS ARE PREFERRED, BUT NOT MANDATORY.

PROJECT NAME: _____________________________________________________________________

OWNER:   _________________________________________________________________________

CITY/STATE: ______________________________________________________________________
DOLLAR AMOUNT: $ ___________________________    DATE COMPLETED: ___________________________
PUBLICLY BID? _____YES   _____NO
TYPE OF WORK?: ________________________________________________________________
CONTACT PERSON: ___________________________________ TELEPHONE #: (____)_______________
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: ____________________________________________
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

PROJECT NAME: _____________________________________________________________________
OWNER:   ____________________________________________________________________________
CITY/STATE: ________________ __________________________________________________________
DOLLAR AMOUNT: $ ___________________________ DATE COMPLETED: ___________________________
PUBLICLY BID? _____YES   _____NO
TYPE OF WORK?: ________________________________________________________________
CONTACT PERSON: ___________________________________ TELEPHONE #: (____)_______________
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: ____________________________________________
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

PROJECT NAME: _____________________________________________________________________
OWNER:   ____________________________________________________________________________
CITY/STATE: ________________ __________________________________________________________
DOLLAR AMOUNT: $ ___________________________ DATE COMPLETED: ___________________________
PUBLICLY BID? _____YES   _____NO
TYPE OF WORK?: ________________________________________________________________
CONTACT PERSON: ___________________________________ TELEPHONE #: (____)_______________
CONTACT PERSON'S RELATION TO PROJECT?: ____________________________________________
(i.e., contract manager, purchasing agent, etc.)

10. The undersigned certifies that the information contained herein is complete and accurate and hereby authorizes and requests any person, firm, or corporation to furnish any information requested by the City in verification of the recitals comprising this statement of Bidder's qualifications and experience.

DATE: ____________    BIDDER: _______________________________________________________
SIGNATURE: ____________________________________________________________
PRINTED NAME: ___________________________________ TITLE: __________________________

END OF SECTION
CERTIFICATE OF NON-COLLUSION

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid or proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word “person” shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee club, or other organization, entity, or group or individuals.

____________________________________
(Signature of individual)

____________________________________
Name of Business
Dear:

As the awarded vendor on the above contract, the City requires that you provide a debarment/suspension certification indicating that you are in compliance with the below Federal Executive Order. Certification can be done by completing and signing this form.

**Debarment:**

Federal Executive Order (E.O.) 12549 “Debarment and Suspension“ requires that all contractors receiving individual awards, using federal funds, and all sub-recipients certify that the organization and its principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency from doing business with the Federal Government.

Your signature certifies that neither you nor your principal(s) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

_______________________________________  (Name)

_______________________________________  (Company)

_______________________________________  (Address)

_______________________________________  (Address)

PHONE ______________  --  FAX ______________

EMAIL _________________________________________

_______________________________________  Signature  ______________  Date

If you have questions, please contact me at (617) 796-1220.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Read

Chief Procurement Officer
Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Part I  Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see **How to get a TIN** on page 3.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II  Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

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Employer Identification number

Sign Here

Signature of U.S. person

Date

Name

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends. You must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
1. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids, to waive minor informalities, and to make award as may be determined to be in the best interest of the City of Newton.

2. Prices quoted must include delivery to the City, as specified on the Work Order.

3. No charges will be allowed for packing, crating, freight, Express or cartage unless specifically stated and included in the bid.

4. The award to the successful bidder may be canceled if successful bidder shall fail to prosecute the work with promptness and diligence.

5. Time in connection with discount offered will be computed from the date of delivery to the City, as specified on Work Order, or from date correct invoice is received by the City, if the latter date is later than the date of delivery.

6. The successful bidder shall replace, repair or make good, without cost to the City, any defects or faults arising within one (1) year after date of acceptance of articles furnished hereunder (acceptance not to be unreasonably delayed) resulting from imperfect or defective work done or materials furnished by the Seller.

7. The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the City and all persons acting for or on behalf of it from all suits and claims against them, or any of them, arising from or occasioned by the use of any material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, which infringes or is alleged to infringe on any patent rights. In case such material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, in any such suit is held to constitute infringement, the Contractor, within a reasonable time, will at its expense, and as the City may elect, replace such material, equipment or apparatus with non-infringing material, equipment or apparatus, or remove the material, equipment or apparatus, and refund the sums paid therefor.

8. The successful bidder shall comply with all applicable Federal State and Local laws and regulations.

9. Purchases made by the City are exempt from Federal excise taxes and bid prices must exclude any such taxes. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.

10. If so stated in the Invitation For Bid the successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and/or a labor and material payment bond, in an amount, in a form and with a surety satisfactory to the City. The bidder shall be responsible for the cost of the bond(s).

11. If the Invitation for Bids requires bid surety, this surety shall be in the form of a cash, bid bond, cashier’s check, treasurer’s check, or certified check on a responsible bank, payable to the City of Newton, and must be filed with the original bid in the Office of the Purchasing Agent. Failure to do so will lead to rejection of bid. The bid surety will be returned to the successful bidder within seven (7) days execution of awarded, and approval by the City of performance and/or payment bond(s). The bid surety covers the City of damages when a bidder withdraws its bid after the bid submission date. Be advised that to the extent permitted by the law, the City will retain all bid deposits for withdrawn bids.

12. Verbal orders are not binding on the City and deliveries made or work done without formal Work Order or Contract are at the risk of the Contractor and may result in an unenforceable claim.

13. The Contractor shall agree to indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless from any and all claims arising out of the performance of this contract.

14. "Equal" - An item equal to that named or described in the specifications of the contract may be furnished by the Contractor and the naming of any commercial name, trademark or other identification shall not be construed to exclude any item or manufacturer not mentioned by name or as limiting competition but shall establish a standard of equality only. An item shall be considered equal to the item so named or described if (1) it is at least equal in quality, durability, appearance, strength and design; (2) it will perform at least equally the function imposed by the general design for the work being contracted for or the
material being purchased; and (3) it conforms substantially, even with deviations, to the detailed requirements for the item in the specifications. The name and identification of all materials other than the one specifically named shall be submitted to the City in writing for approval, prior to purchase, use or fabrication of such items. Subject to the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 30, Sec. 39J, approval shall be at the sole discretion of the City, shall be in writing to be effective, and the decision of the City shall be final. The City may require tests of all materials so submitted to establish quality standards at the Contractor's expense. All directions, specifications and recommendations by manufacturers for installation, handling, storing, adjustment and operation of their equipment shall be complied with; responsibility for proper performance shall continue to rest with the Contractor.

For the use of material other than the one specified, the Contractor shall assume the cost of and responsibility for satisfactorily accomplishing all changes in the work as shown. If no manufacturer is named, the Contractor shall submit the product he intends to use for approval of the City.

Except as otherwise provided for by the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 30, Sec. 39J, the Contractor shall not have any right of appeal from the decision of the City condemning any materials furnished if the Contractor fails to obtain the approval for substitution under this clause. If any substitution is more costly, the Contractor shall pay for such costs.

15. Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority/Women Business Enterprise Plan dated December 1999 is applicable to all City of Newton contracts for materials and supplies. A copy of this plan may be obtained from the Purchasing Department.

16. Right To Know:

Any Contractor who receives an order or orders resulting from this invitation agrees to submit a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for each toxic or hazardous substance or mixture containing such substance, pursuant to M.G.L., Ch. 111F, SS8, 9 and 10 and the regulations contained in 441 CMR SS 21.06 when deliveries are made. The Contractor agrees to deliver all containers properly labeled pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 111F, SS 7 and the regulations contained in 441 CMR SS 21.05. Failure to submit an MSDS and/or label on each container will place the Contractor in noncompliance with the work order. Failure to furnish MSDSs and/or labels on each container may result in civil or criminal penalties, including bid debarment and action to prevent the Contractor from selling said substances or mixtures containing said substances within the Commonwealth. All Contractors furnishing substances or mixtures subject to Chapter 111F of the M.G.L. are cautioned to obtain and read the law and rules and regulations referred to above. Copies can be obtained from the State House Book Store, Secretary of State, State House, Room 117, Boston, MA 02133, (617-727-2834) for $2.00 plus $.65 postage.

17. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS
The Contractor shall provide insurance coverage as listed below. This insurance shall be provided at the Contractor's expense and shall be in full force and effect during the full term of this Contract.

**WORKER'S COMPENSATION**
Worker's Compensation: Per M.G.L. c.149, §34 and c. 152 as amended.

**COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY**
- Personal Injury: $500,000 each occurrence, $1,000,000 aggregate
- Property Damage: $500,000 each occurrence, $1,000,000 aggregate

**VEHICLE LIABILITY**
- Personal Injury: $500,000 each person, $1,000,000 aggregate
- Property Damage: $300,000 each occurrence, $500,000 aggregate

The City shall be named as additional insureds on the Contractor's Liability Policies.

The Contractor shall not commence the work until proof of compliance with this has been furnished to the City by submitting one copy of a properly endorsed insurance certificate issued by a company authorized to write insurance in the Commonwealth. This certificate shall indicate that the contractual liability coverage is in force. The Contractor shall file the original and one certified copy of all policies with the City within ten (10) days after contract award. If the City is damaged by the Contractor's failure to maintain such insurance and to so notify the City, then the Contractor shall be responsible for all reasonable costs attributable thereto.
Cancellation of any insurance required by this contract, whether by the insurer or the insured, shall not be valid unless written notice thereof is given by the party proposing cancellation to the other party and City at least thirty days prior to the effective date thereof, which shall be expressed in said notice.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS COULD RESULT IN THE CANCELLATION OF YOUR CONTRACT.
CONTRACT FORMS

The awarded bidder will be required to complete and submit documents substantially similar in form to the following.

These forms may need to be modified on account of changed circumstances, and are provided for informational purposes only.
CITY - CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

CONTRACT NO. C-

THIS AGREEMENT made this __ day of __ in the year Two Thousand and Fourteen by and between the CITY OF NEWTON, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, hereinafter referred to as the CITY, acting through its Chief Procurement Officer, but without personal liability to him, and hereinafter referred to as the CONTRACTOR.

The parties hereto for the considerations hereinafter set forth agree as follows:

I. SCOPE OF WORK. The Contractor agrees to furnish and to deliver to the City at such times, at such place or places, in such manner, and in such quantities as the City may direct, and at the unit prices quoted in the Contractor's bid for the following item or items:

   LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE

II. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The Contract Documents consist of the following documents which are either attached to this Agreement or are incorporated herein by reference:

   a. This CITY-CONTRACTOR Agreement;

   b. The City's Invitation For Bid #15-50 issued by the Purchasing Department;

   c. The Project Manual for Library Periodical Subscription Management Service and if included or referenced therein, any Standard Terms and Conditions, Special Conditions, Wage Rate Requirements, Wage Rate Schedule(s);

   d. Addenda Number(s) ____________;

   e. The Bid Response of the CONTRACTOR submitted for this Project and accompanying documents and certifications;

   f. Certificate(s) of Insurance and surety bond(s), if any, submitted by the CONTRACTOR in connection with this Project;

   g. Duly authorized and executed Amendments, Change Orders or Work Orders issued by the CITY after execution of this CITY-CONTRACTOR Agreement.

   This CITY-CONTRACTOR Agreement, together with the other documents enumerated in this Article, constitute the entire Agreement between the CITY and the CONTRACTOR.

III. PRIORITY OF DOCUMENTS. In the event of inconsistency between the terms of this CITY-CONTRACTOR Agreement and the Project Manual, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail.

IV. APPLICABLE STATUTES. All applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations are incorporated herein by reference and the Contractor agrees to comply with same.
V. CONTRACT TERM. The term of the awarded contract shall extend from the day of execution of this contract through December 31st, 2015, and may be renewed by the City for two additional 12-month periods. Delivery of the above described services will begin approximately January 1, 2015. Prices submitted in this bid shall remain firm for the duration of the contract period. The City reserves the right to terminate this contract prior to the expiration date in the event total expenditures reach the above stated contract total. If for any part thereof during the term of this Agreement, funds for the discharge of the City’s obligations under this Agreement are not appropriated and authorized, or funds so appropriated and authorized are reduced or withdrawn, then this Agreement shall terminate.

VI. QUANTITIES. Any quantities specified in the Project Manual are approximate and are based on previous consumption. It is specifically understood the City does not agree to purchase any specific quantity, and purchases will be made to cover actual requirements only. The City may increase or decrease the quantity of any item specified without change in price per unit of quantity as stated in the Contractor’s Bid Response.

VII. MATERIALS. The Contractor agrees, unless otherwise specified, that all equipment, materials and supplies furnished under this contract are to be first quality, new and unused.

VIII. AUTHORIZATION OF AND PAYMENT FOR WORK PERFORMED. The execution of this contract does not constitute a notice to proceed or authorization to perform work or make deliveries. No work shall be commenced or deliveries made unless authorized by a written Work Order issued by the City specifying the equipment, materials or supplies to be delivered. The Contractor will be paid following completed delivery and acceptance of the equipment, materials or supplies ordered in accordance with the Contract. The City will use best efforts to pay within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice for the delivered equipment, materials or supplies or acceptance of same whichever date is later.

IX. CLAIMS FOR MATERIALS OR LABOR. In the event any claims have been filed with the City for material or labor delivered or performed pursuant to this contract, the City shall be under no obligation to make any payment until such claims are adjusted to the satisfaction of the City. Any and all liens for supplies may be paid off by the City within twenty (20) days after the filing for record as provided by law of a notice of such liens, except where the claim on which the lien is filed is being litigated by the Contractor, and in such case the City may pay the amount of any final judgment or decree on any such claim. All money paid by the City in settlement of liens and claims as aforesaid, with the costs and expenses incurred by the City in connection therewith shall be charged to the Contractor, bearing interest at the rate of six percent (6%) per annum, and be deducted from the next payment falling due the Contractor under the terms of this contract.

X. UNIT PRICES. It is agreed that the unit prices listed are maximum prices and that the City shall be entitled to take advantage of any decrease due to market conditions other than Contractor’s asked prices, which decreases shall be governed by the manufacturers’ price listing as might be generally adopted in the trade, or by the same percentage that the Contractor may reduce prices to others who purchase in similar quantities and under similar conditions.

XI. RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE WORK/INDEMNIFICATION. In the performance of any work, including the delivery of equipment, materials or supplies, pursuant to this Contract, the Contractor shall take all responsibility for the work, and shall take all precautions for preventing injuries to persons and property in or about the work and shall defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless from all loss, cost, damage or expense arising from injuries to persons or property in or about the work. The Contractor shall be responsible for any damage which may be caused by the failure or insufficiency of any temporary works. He shall effectively protect his work and shall be liable for all damage and loss by delay or otherwise caused by his neglect or failure so to do.

XII. WARRANTY. Except as may be otherwise provided in the Project Manual, the Contractor shall replace, repair or make good, without cost to the City, any defects or faults arising within one (1) year after date of acceptance of equipment, materials or supplies furnished hereunder (acceptance not to be unreasonably delayed) resulting from imperfect or defective work done or materials furnished by the Contractor.

XIII. PATENT INDEMNIFICATION. The Contractor agrees to assume the defense of and shall indemnify and save harmless the City and all persons acting for or on behalf of it from all suits and claims against them, or any of them, arising from or occasioned by the use of any material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof which infringes or is alleged to infringe on any patent rights. In case such material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, in any such suit is held to constitute infringement, the Contractor, within a reasonable time, shall at its own expense, and as the City may elect, replace such material, equipment or apparatus with non-infringing material, equipment or apparatus, or remove the material, equipment, or apparatus and refund the sums paid therefor.
XIV. **INSPECTION.** For the purposes of inspection of the equipment, materials and supplies covered by this contract, the Contractor shall give the City free access to his works and furnish every facility for properly inspecting such equipment, materials and supplies, and shall furnish full information, whenever requested, relating thereto. Approval by any inspector of the City shall not relieve the Contractor from his obligation to comply in all respects with the contract.

XV. **ASSIGNMENT/SUB-CONTRACTING.** The Contractor agrees that he will not sell, assign or transfer this Contract or any part thereof or interest therein without the prior written consent of the City.

XVI. **INSTALLATION.** If any of the equipment, materials and supplies covered by this contract is to be installed by either the Contractor or the City, the Contractor shall, upon request of the City, furnish a competent employee to supervise the installation without expense to the City, unless otherwise provided herein. Such supervisor, or other employees furnished by the Contractor, shall be the agents of the Contractor and not of the City, and the Contractor hereby agrees to indemnify the City and hold it harmless from and against any and all loss, costs, damage, and expense sustained as the result of negligence or other conduct on the part of such supervisor or employee.

XVII. **TERMINATION.** The City of Newton may, by written notice of default to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract or any Shipping of Work Order issued pursuant thereto in any one of the following circumstances:

a. If the Contractor fails to make delivery of the equipment, goods or supplies or to perform the services within the time specified herein or any extension thereof;

b. If the Contractor fails to perform any of the other provisions of this contract or, if in the opinion of the City, Contractor so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this contract in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances does not correct such failure within thirty (30) days (or such longer period as the City may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from the City specifying such failure.

XVIII. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

XIX. **SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this Contract are severable. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Contract shall be finally adjudicated by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remainder of this Contract shall be unaffected by such adjudication and all of the remaining provisions of this Contract shall remain in full force and effect as though such section, paragraph, clause or provision, or any part thereof so adjudicated to be invalid, had not been included herein, unless such remaining provisions, standing alone, are incomplete and incapable of being executed in accordance with the intent of the parties to this Contract.

XX. **AMENDMENTS TO THIS CONTRACT.** This Contract may not be amended except in writing executed in the same manner as this CITY-CONTRACTOR Agreement.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this instrument to be executed under seal the day and year first above written.

**CONTRACTOR**

By__________________________
Title__________________________
Print _________________________
Date__________________________

*Affix Corporate Seal Here*

City funds in the amount of ______ are available in account number

0160103-5592 - ______________________

I further certify that the Mayor, or his designee, is authorized to execute contracts and approve change orders.

By__________________________
*Comptroller of Accounts*

Date__________________________

**CITY OF NEWTON**

By__________________________
*Chief Procurement Officer*

Date__________________________

By__________________________
*Library*

Date__________________________

Approved as to Legal Form and Character

By__________________________
*Associate City Solicitor*

Date__________________________

CONTRACT AND BONDS APPROVED

By__________________________
*Mayor or his designee*

Date__________________________
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY - CORPORATE

1. I hereby certify that I am the Clerk/Secretary of _________________________________
   (insert full name of Corporation)

2. corporation, and that ________________________________
   (insert the name of officer who signed the contract and bonds)

3. is the duly elected ________________________________
   (insert the title of the officer in line 2)

4. of said corporation, and that on ________________________
   (insert a date that is ON OR BEFORE the date the officer signed the contract and bonds)

   at a duly authorized meeting of the Board of Directors of said corporation, at which all the directors were present or waived notice, it was voted that

5. ___________________________ the ___________________________
   (insert name from line 2)  (insert title from line 3)

   of this corporation be and hereby is authorized to execute contracts and bonds in the name and on behalf of said corporation, and affix its Corporate Seal thereto, and such execution of any contract of obligation in this corporation’s name and on its behalf, with or without the Corporate Seal, shall be valid and binding upon this corporation; and that the above vote has not been amended or rescinded and remains in full force and effect as of the date set forth below.

6. ATTEST: ___________________________
   (Signature of Clerk or Secretary)*

   AFFIX CORPORATE

   SEAL HERE

7. Name: ___________________________
   (Please print or type name in line 6)*

8. Date: ___________________________
   (insert a date that is ON OR AFTER the date the officer signed the contract and bonds)

* The name and signature inserted in lines 6 & 7 must be that of the Clerk or Secretary of the corporation.
CERTIFICATION OF TAX COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to M.G.L. c.62C, §49A and requirements of the City of Newton, the undersigned acting on behalf of the Contractor certifies under the penalties of perjury that the Contractor is in compliance with all laws of the Commonwealth relating to taxes including payment of all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments and any other local or municipal charges (unless the Contractor has a pending abatement application or has entered into a payment agreement with the entity to which such charges were owed), reporting of employees and contractors, and withholding and remitting child support.*

**Signature of Individual or Corporate Contractor (Mandatory)**

Print Name:___________________________

By: ________________________________

Corporate Officer (Mandatory, if applicable)

Date: _______________________________

*** Contractor's Social Security Number (Voluntary) or Federal Identification Number

Print Name:___________________________

* The provision in this Certification relating to child support applies only when the Contractor is an individual.

** Approval of a contract or other agreement will not be granted until the City receives a signed copy of this Certification.

*** Your social security number may be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Providers who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will not have a contract or other agreement issued, renewed, or extended.
NEWTON FREE LIBRARY

SCOPE OF SERVICES

LIBRARY PERIODICAL SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT SERVICE

1.0 Scope

1.1 The Newton Free Library is accepting bids for Periodical Subscription Management Service as per the bid list attached. All bids must be submitted in the manner and form prescribed by the Specifications which control award of the contract(s). Bid items will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

1.2 The vendors must supply an annual renewal list detailing all titles and their expiration dates.

1.3 The vendor shall be deemed non-responsive unless it can supply at least 450 of the titles listed in Attachment A that do not currently have an OD (Ordered Directly) designation on our required title list. In its bid submission, the Bidder shall indicate which titles it can provide in order to meet this requirement. The Newton Free Library reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities to be ordered within the time limits set forth in the bid. In accordance with M.G.L. c.30B the total increase shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total contract price. Bids must remain in effect a minimum of ninety (90) days after the bid opening.

1.4 The vendor must provide a secure online web interface where the library can submit claim requests, review our list of subscribed titles and see information on expiration dates and claim statuses.

1.5 The vendor must provide a dedicated account representative.

1.6 Vendor Notifications: Vendor must be able to provide a clear notification when a periodical has ceased, merged or the name has changed. Provide clear notification of credits due to cessation, merger, etc.

1.7 Any discounts offered must be available in renewal years as well as the initial year of purchase.

1.8 Additions and deletions to the list must be accommodated within the period of the contract and at renewal times as long as such additions or deletions do not change the contract price by more than ten percent. Publisher cancellations will not count as deletions for these purposes and any decrease in monies owed due to publisher cancellations shall not affect the validity of the contract.

1.9 Vendor must indicate whether it offers a missing copy bank service, and how that services’ operates.

1.10 All prices shall be F.O.B. Destination.

1.11 For calculation purposes, the City has included a separate Excel file of Periodicals. - PLEASE ensure that you submit all pages and mark any items you do NOT wish to bid on with the words “NO BID”.

2.0 Description and Quality

2.1 Wherever items are specified by trade name, manufacturer, or dealer's catalog number, or by any other reference, it shall be taken to mean the items as this described or any other item equal thereto in quality, finish, durability, compatibility, safety and serviceability for the purpose for which it is intended. If an alternate item is being proposed, the bidder shall so indicate by providing a full description of the
proposed substitute as well as provide data sheets, catalog cuts, performance and test data, and any other information which will support or otherwise prove equality; such proof rests entirely with the bidder. When the bidder does not state the brand, it is understood that the offer is exactly as specified. Final decisions concerning the quality of items, other than those specifically designated, is to rest with the Newton Public Schools whose determination shall be final and conclusive. Vendors shall guarantee quality control of all goods at no additional cost to the City. Samples shall be furnished free-of-charge upon request and may be retained for future comparisons. Samples and literature must be provided within three (3) days after the request.

3.0 Submissions are to include the following cost and quantity information:

1. Number of titles that can be supplied.
2. List price of those titles supplied.
3. Discount price of titles supplied. (This will be the bid contract price.)
4. Number of titles that cannot be supplied.
5. Total cost of titles that cannot be supplied, using library provided costs.
6. Local handling cost for titles that cannot be supplied ($10 times # not supplied shown in line 4).
7. Evaluation Price = Discount Price + Cost of titles not supplied + Local handling cost (lines 3+5+6).

4.0 Delivery of Services

3.1 Services shall be provided promptly from the time an order is placed via on-line, telephone or email. An exception is only allowed with pre-approval in writing by an authorized employee.

3.2 Services shall be provided during normal business hours, Monday through Friday.

3.3 The equipment used in the transportation and delivery of supplies procured shall be maintained in a sanitary condition at all times. The equipment shall be subject to unannounced inspections by a City representative at any time. All vehicles must turn off their engines while services are being provided.

5.0 Payment

4.1 Invoices shall be billed to Newton Free Library, 330 Homer Street, Newton, MA, 02459, Attention: Reference Department.

4.2 Invoices must be in duplicate, including: a) purchase order number, b) item number, c) quantities, d) description, e) unit price and f) totals.

ATTACHMENT A

Periodical Listing, Separate Excel File