



**Office of Management and Budget
Division of Purchasing
Non-Competitive Contract Request Form**

Department	LMPHW	Department Contact	T Gonzales
Contact Email	t.gonzales@louisvilleky.gov	Contact Phone	502-574-6682

Contract Type: check one	New	Amendment		
		Additional Funds	Time Extension	Scope
Professional Service				
Sole Source (goods/services)	✓			
	Start	End		
Requested Contract Dates (MM/DD/YYYY)	07/01/2021	06/30/2022		

VENDOR INFORMATION

Vendor Legal Name	Aja Barber				
DBA					
Point of Contact	Aja Barber	Email	ajaholston@gmail.com		
Street	228 E Burnett Avenue				
Suite/Floor/Apt		Phone	817-480-5098		
City	Louisville	State	KY	Zip Code	40208
Federal Tax ID#		SSN# (If sole proprietor)			
Louisville Revenue Commission Account #					
Human Relations Commission Certified Vendors	Certified Minority Owned Business	Certified Woman Owned business	Disabled Owned business		
Select if applicable					

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Not to Exceed Contract Amount	\$38,000	(including reimbursement expenses, if applicable)			
Fund Source: General Fund	✓				
Federal Grant		Federal Granting Agency			
Other		Describe:			
Account Code String #	1101	605	4126	411590	521350
Payment Rate		per hour		per day	per service
		per month		Other	Not to exceed \$5000/month
Payment Frequency	✓	Monthly		Upon Completion / Delivery	
		Quarterly		Other	



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CONTRACT SCOPE and PURPOSE (Attach additional documentation if necessary)

Amendments: Describe the circumstances under which a time extension or scope change is needed.

New: Be specific about the work to be performed / product to be purchased including but not limited to: scope of work; description of service; work product created; why the service / product is necessary; and benefit to Louisville Metro Government.

Goals:

Support post-HER 2021 organizational change strategy discussions for CHE

Support the updating and creation of foundational organizational documents prioritize equity onboarding and skill development for staff

Milestones: Monthly check ins

Deliverables: HER 2021 final draft, Comprehensive policy session, HER 2021 communication package (what is included, to be defined), Group strategy facilitation plan

JUSTIFICATION FOR NON-COMPETITIVE GOOD/SERVICE (Attach additional documentation if necessary)

Provide justification including but not limited to: a description of the unique features that prohibit competition; research conducted to verify the vendor as the only known source (sole source); why the service (PSC) is not feasible to be provided by LMG staff or expertise does not exist; known compatibility, proprietary and/or timing issues.

Aja Barber was previously a full-time employee in the Center for Health Equity whose role was to, among other responsibilities, provide direction over the development of the Community Advisory Board and the 2021 Health Equity Report. Aja is knowledgeable of the vision and direction of this major department project and has expertise in community engagement and facilitation which will be used extensively across the project timeline to achieve deliverables. Given the staffing resources within LMPHW due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is advantageous to the department to contract with Aja for the effective and efficient completion of this significant department project.

AUTHORIZATIONS: Per KRS 45A.380, I have determined that competition is not feasible for the above described good / service and there is a single source within a reasonable geographical area of the good / service to be procured; or the resulting contract is for the services of a licensed professional, technician, artist, or other non-licensed professional service.

Department Director: Connie S Mendel, Date: August 26, 2021

Purchasing Director: Joel Neaveill, Date: 9/1/2021

Joel Neaveill

Aja Holston-Barber
ajaholston@gmail.com

EDUCATION:

Texas A&M University, College Station

Master of Science, Recreation, Parks and Tourism Sciences – Youth Development

May 2016

- Thesis: *An autoethnography of one woman's navigation through racialized trauma*
- Relevant coursework: Race, ethnicity & health, Management & leadership of non-profit organizations, Youth development & services, Social welfare & public policy

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

May 2014

Minor in Africana Studies

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Kentucky Civic Engagement Table/Commonwealth Alliance Voter Engagement

January 2021 - Present

Narrative Strategist Consultant

- Develop racial justice-centered communications support for coalition partners
- Provide racial justice trainings to Board of Directors
- Collaborative to plan for longterm justice-centered organizational strategy

Kentuckians for the Commonwealth

October 2020 - Present

Organizational Change Consultant

- Develop racial justice trainings and implement learnings into program of work
- Support racial justice outcomes for organizational change initiative
- Develop strategies that support advanced racial justice analysis and related conflict transformation

Louisville Metro Public Health and Wellness, Center for Health Equity – Louisville, KY

October 2018 - October

2020

Administrative Coordinator

- Acted as COVID-19 Equity Officer
- Deepened relationships across Louisville Metro Government and community to advance health equity goals
- Designed, managed, and implemented an advanced racial equity vision

Louisville Metro Public Health and Wellness, Center for Health Equity – Louisville, KY

May 2017 - October 2018

Manager

- Supervised and supported a staff of 3 project managers
- Identified opportunities to institutionalize racial and health equity into practices and policies
- Trained and presented to community partners on ongoing work

Louisville Metro Public Health and Wellness, Center for Health Equity – Louisville, KY

April 2016 – May 2017

Administrative Coordinator

- Supported the Director through calendar management and attending meetings as the proxy
- Developed health equity training and presentation content
- Project managed new initiatives

INTERNSHIPS:

Voices for Children – Bryan, Texas

July 2013 – November 2015

Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)

- Assigned to an open Child Protective Services (CPS) case
- Attended all court hearings concerning placement and custody
- Made recommendations for final placement of child(ren) at the conclusion of CPS investigation

Volunteer

January 2011 – August 2011

- Filed court documents for CASAs
- Assisted in organizing citywide fundraising events

FELLOWSHIPS:

Human Impact Partners, Health Equity Awakened Fellowship

May 2017 – May 2018

AGREEMENT

THIS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT, made and entered into by and between the **LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT**, by and through its **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLNESS** herein referred to as “**METRO GOVERNMENT**”, and **AJA BARBER**, with offices located at 228 East Burnett Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky 40208,

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the Metro Government desires professional services with respect to support of post-Health Equity Report 2021 organizational change strategy discussions for the Center for Health Equity, support the updating and creation of foundational organizational documents, and prioritizing equity onboarding and skill development for staff; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Government has determined that Consultant has the requisite experience and expertise to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to K.R.S. 45A.380, the Metro Government has determined that competition is not feasible and that this Agreement is for the services of a professional

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

I. SCOPE OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

A. Consultant shall, at the request of the Metro Government, provide services under the terms of this professional Agreement. The Consultant’s work product may be reviewed from time to time by the Metro Government for purposes of determining that the services provided are within the scope of this Agreement.

B. If from time to time Consultant needs to utilize the records or personnel of the Metro Government relative to performing the services required of this Agreement, then Consultant shall notify the proper agent of the Metro Government of this need and arrangements may be made for that contingency. However, at no time shall the Metro

Government make available its resources without the full consent and understanding of both parties.

C. Consultant, while performing the services rendered pursuant to this Agreement, may incidental thereto utilize agents or employees of such Consultant. However, such use must be documented in the monthly invoice submitted for those services rendered.

D. The services of Consultant shall include but not be limited to the following:

1. Support of post-Health Equity Report 2021 organizational change strategy discussions for the Center for Health Equity, support the updating and creation of foundational organizational documents, and prioritizing equity onboarding and skill development for staff.

II. FEES AND COMPENSATION

A. The Metro Government shall pay Consultant for appropriately documented services rendered in accordance with Paragraph One (I) of this Agreement. The Metro Government shall reimburse Consultant as follows:

July-August	\$3000	complete policy sessions, complete first HER draft, facilitate Community Advisory Board meetings
September-December	\$5000	complete Community Advisory Board facilitation, complete HER document, complete HER communications package, support internal facilitation for strategic planning
January-March	\$4000	support internal facilitation for strategic planning and foundational document drafting

The total compensation paid pursuant to this Agreement shall not exceed **THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$38,000.00)**.

B. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Metro Government, services shall be rendered and payment therefore shall be made at monthly intervals throughout the duration of this Agreement. Payment shall only be made pursuant to a detailed invoice presented monthly, which invoice shall indicate a descriptive daily accounting of the hours expended in service under the contract, the particular nature of such service and out-of-pocket expenses. Copies of invoices or receipts for out-of-pocket expenses and other third party charges must be included with the Consultant's invoice when payment is requested. In the event payment is made in lump sum at the end of the service period, Consultant's final invoice shall indicate a descriptive daily accounting of hours expended as described heretofore.

C. Consultant shall only be reimbursed out-of-pocket expenses if they are reasonable in amount and necessary to accomplish the scope of services of this contract. The Metro Government will not reimburse first class air fare, personal phone calls, short term parking expenses, or other premium type expenses. The Metro Government reserves the right to reduce or disallow expenses considered excessive or unnecessary under this contract.

D. Consultant, to the extent that it provides the same or related services to other parties agrees to pro-rate its billings and out-of-pocket expenses to the Metro Government which are of benefit to the other parties and to provide documentation to all parties to verify the pro-ration of such billings and expenses. In no

event will the Metro Government pay bills or expenses which are considered to be double billing (i.e. billing two different parties for the same work or expense).

E. Consultant agrees that all outstanding invoices at the end of the fiscal year (June 30) must reach the Metro Government no later than July 15 of the following fiscal year. Consultant agrees that original invoices that are not in Metro Government possession by this time will not be paid and Consultant agrees to waive its right to compensation for services billed under such invoices.

III. DURATION

A. This Agreement shall begin July 1, 2021 and shall continue through and including June 30, 2022.

B. This Agreement may be terminated by submitting thirty (30) days' written notice to the non-terminating party of such intent to terminate. This Agreement may also be terminated by any party, without notice to the non-terminating party, because of fraud, misappropriation, embezzlement or malfeasance or a party's failure to perform the duties required under this Agreement. A waiver by either party of a breach of this Agreement shall not operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach.

C. In the event of termination, payment for services complete up to and including date of termination shall be based upon work completed at the rates identified in this Agreement. In the event that, during the term of this Agreement, the Metro Council fails to appropriate funds for the payment of the Metro Government's obligations under this Agreement, the Metro Government's rights and obligations herein shall terminate on the last day for which an appropriation has been made. The Metro Government shall deliver notice to Consultant of any such non-appropriation not later

than 30 days after the Metro Government has knowledge that the appropriation has not been made.

IV. EMPLOYER/EMPLOYEE RELATIONSHIP

It is expressly understood that no employer/employee relationship is created by this Agreement nor does it cause Consultant to be an officer or official of the Metro Government. By executing this Agreement, the parties hereto certify that its performance will not constitute or establish a violation of any statutory or common law principle pertaining to conflict of interest, nor will it cause unlawful benefit or gain to be derived by either party.

V. RECORDS-AUDIT

Consultant shall maintain during the course of the work, and retain not less than five years from the date of final payment on the contract, complete and accurate records of all of Consultant's costs which are chargeable to the Metro Government under this Agreement; and the Metro Government shall have the right, at any reasonable time, to inspect and audit those records by authorized representatives of its own or of any public accounting firm selected by it. The records to be thus maintained and retained by Consultant shall include (without limitation): (a) payroll records accounting for total time distribution of Consultant's employees working full or part time on the work (to permit tracing to payrolls and related tax returns), as well as canceled payroll checks, or signed receipts for payroll payments in cash; (b) invoices for purchases receiving and issuing documents, and all the other unit inventory records for Consultant's stores stock or capital items; and (c) paid invoices and canceled checks for materials purchased and for subcontractors' and any other third parties' charges.

VI. HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION CLAUSE

The Consultant shall indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government, its elected and appointed officials, employees, agents and successors in interest from all claims, damages, losses and expenses including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting, directly or indirectly, from the Consultant's (or Consultant's Subcontractors, if any) performance or breach of the contract provided that such claim, damage, loss, or expense is: (1) attributable to personal injury, bodily injury, sickness, death, or to injury to or destruction of property, including the loss of use resulting therefrom, or breach of contract, and (2) not caused by the negligent act or omission or willful misconduct of the Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government or its elected and appointed officials and employees acting within the scope of their employment. This Hold Harmless and Indemnification Clause shall in no way be limited by any financial responsibility or insurance requirements and shall survive the termination of this Contract.

VII. REPORTING OF INCOME

The compensation payable under this Agreement may be subject to federal, state and local taxation. Regulations of the Internal Revenue Service require the Metro Government to report all amounts in excess of \$600.00 paid to non-corporate contractors. Consultant agrees to furnish the Metro Government with its taxpayer identification number (TIN) prior to the effective date of this Agreement. Consultant further agrees to provide such other information to the Metro Government as may be required by the IRS or the State Department of Revenue.

VIII. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Kentucky. In the event of any proceedings regarding this Agreement, the Parties agree that the venue shall be the state courts of Kentucky or the

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky, Louisville Division. All parties expressly consent to personal jurisdiction and venue in such Court for the limited and sole purpose of proceedings relating to this Agreement or any rights or obligations arising thereunder. Service of process may be accomplished by following the procedures prescribed by law.

IX. AUTHORITY

The Consultant, by execution of this Agreement, does hereby warrant and represent that it is qualified to do business in the State of Kentucky, has full right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement.

X. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to KRS 45A.455:

(1) It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any employee with procurement authority to participate directly in any proceeding or application; request for ruling or other determination; claim or controversy; or other particular matter pertaining to any contract, or subcontract, and any solicitation or proposal therefor, in which to his knowledge:

(a) He, or any member of his immediate family has a financial interest therein; or

(b) A business or organization in which he or any member of his immediate family has a financial interest as an officer, director, trustee, partner, or employee, is a party; or

(c) Any other person, business, or organization with whom he or any member of his immediate family is negotiating or has an arrangement concerning prospective employment is a party. Direct or indirect participation shall include but not be limited to

involvement through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or purchase standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity.

(2) It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any person to offer, give, or agree to give any employee or former employee, or for any employee or former employee to solicit, demand, accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment, in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or purchase standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing, or in any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, request for ruling or other determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any contract or subcontract and any solicitation or proposal therefor.

(3) It is a breach of ethical standards for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith, as an inducement for the award of a subcontract or order.

(4) The prohibition against conflicts of interest and gratuities and kickbacks shall be conspicuously set forth in every local public agency written contract and solicitation therefor.

(5) It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any public employee or former employee knowingly to use confidential information for his actual or anticipated personal gain, or the actual or anticipated personal gain of any other person.

XI. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter set forth herein and this Agreement supersedes any and all prior and contemporaneous oral or written agreements or understandings between the parties relative thereto. No representation, promise, inducement, or statement of intention has been made by the parties that is not embodied in this Agreement. This Agreement cannot be amended, modified, or supplemented in any respect except by a subsequent written agreement duly executed by all of the parties hereto.

XII. OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

Consultant agrees to comply with all statutes, rules, and regulations governing safe and healthful working conditions, including the Occupational Health and Safety Act of 1970, *29 U.S.C. 650 et. seq.*, as amended, and KRS Chapter 338. Consultant also agrees to notify the Metro Government in writing immediately upon detection of any unsafe and/or unhealthful working conditions detected at any Metro-owned property where Consultant performs work under this Agreement. Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Metro Government harmless from all penalties, fines or other expenses arising out of the alleged violation of said laws.

XIII. SUCCESSORS

This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, successors and assigns.

XIV. SEVERABILITY

If any court of competent jurisdiction holds any provision of this Agreement unenforceable, such provision shall be modified to the extent required to make it enforceable, consistent with the spirit and intent of this Agreement. If such a provision

cannot be so modified, the provision shall be deemed separable from the remaining provisions of this Agreement and shall not affect any other provision hereunder.

XV. COUNTERPARTS

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, in which case each executed counterpart shall be deemed an original and all executed counterparts shall constitute one and the same instrument.

XVI. CALCULATION OF TIME Unless otherwise indicated, when the performance or doing of any act, duty, matter, or payment is required hereunder and a period of time or duration for the fulfillment of doing thereof is prescribed and is fixed herein, the time shall be computed so as to exclude the first and include the last day of the prescribed or fixed period of time. For example, if on January 1, Consultant is directed to take action within ten (10) calendar days, the action must be completed no later than midnight, January 11.

XVII. CAPTIONS The captions and headings of this Agreement are for convenience and reference purposes only and shall not affect in any way the meaning and interpretation of any provisions of this Agreement.

XVIII. MISCELLANEOUS Consultant agrees that, in the event it receives from the Metro Government any protected health information, it will not disclose any of that information to any third party and, in that regard, Consultant agrees to comply with the rules and regulations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA"), codified in 42 U.S.C. § 1320d and 45 C.F.R. 160-164. Consultant shall hold in strictest confidence all documentation, information, and observations gathered in the performance of this Agreement, and Consultant agrees to sign the Health Department Business Associate Agreement. Consultant further agrees to require any of its

subcontractors to both abide by the aforementioned HIPAA prohibitions against the unauthorized disclosure of confidential and protected health information and to sign the Metro Government's Business Associate Agreement.

The Metro Government and Consultant agree to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d *et. seq.*) and all implementing regulations and executive orders, and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. § 701) and the Kentucky Equal Employment Act of 1978 (K.R.S. § 45.550 to 45.640) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. § 12101 *et. seq.*). No person shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination in relation to activities carried out under this Agreement on the basis of race, color, age, religion, sex, disability or national origin. This includes provision of language assistance services to individuals of limited English proficiency seeking and/or eligible for services under this Agreement.

Consultant nor any of its employees or personnel shall speak on behalf of or as a representative of the Metro Government or the Department of Public Health and Wellness without the express authorization of the Director of that Department or his designee.

The Consultant shall reveal any final determination of a violation by the Consultant or subcontractor within the previous five (5) year period pursuant to KRS Chapters 136, 139, 141, 337, 338, 341 and 342 that apply to the Consultant or subcontractor. The Consultant shall be in continuous compliance with the provisions of KRS Chapters 136, 139, 141, 337, 338, 341 and 342 that apply to the Consultant or subcontractor for the duration of the contract.

WITNESS the agreement of the parties hereto by their signatures affixed hereon.

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY CONTINGENT UPON
METRO COUNCIL APPROVAL
OF THE APPROPRIATION FOR
THIS AGREEMENT:**

**LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY
METRO GOVERNMENT**

DocuSigned by:
Paul Rutherford
MICHAEL J. O'CONNELL
JEFFERSON COUNTY ATTORNEY

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Sarah Moyer
DR. SARAH S. MOYER, M.D., MPH
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC
HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Date: 9/7/2021

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Date: 9/7/2021

Taxpayer Identification No.
(TIN): _____

Louisville/Jefferson County
Revenue Commission Account
No.: _____

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