

Procurement Division 2800 S.W. 72ND AVENUE MIAMI, FLORIDA 33155

September 11, 2024

All Responding Proposers (See Distribution List)

SUBJECT: RFP 2024-022 Group Dental Insurance

Dear Proposers:

The evaluation of the proposals submitted in response to the above cited solicitation is complete. The City Manager has recommended an award as shown in the attached document.

This notice is provided in accordance with Section 2-910 (c) of the Code of the City of Coral Gables. Our provision of this notice also serves to confirm the lifting of the Cone of Silence from this procurement action as dictated by Section 2-1027 (4)(b) of the same City Code.

Thank you for your participation in this competition. If you have any questions please contact Eduardo Hernandez, Procurement Specialist at 305-460-5108 or ehernandez2@coralgables.com

## Sincerely,

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Celeste S. Walker-Harmon Chief Procurement Officer

Attachment: Award Recommendation

Distribution List of Proposers:
Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company
Delta Dental Insurance Company
Humana Insurance Company
KNL, Inc.
Solstice Benefits, Inc.
Standard Insurance Company
United Healthcare Insurance Company

## **CITY OF CORAL GABLES**

## -MEMORANDUM-

TO: Honorable Mayor and Date: September 11, 2024

Members of the City Commission

FROM: Amos Rojas, Jr.Amos
City Manager Rojas Jr.

Digitally signed by Amos Rojas Jr.

Date: 2024.09.11
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RFP 2024-022 Group Dental Insurance

At the next available City Commission Meeting an award recommendation for RFP 2024-022 Group Dental Insurance will be included on the agenda. This memorandum serves to notify you that in accordance with Section 2-763 of the City Code entitled "Contract Award", my recommendation to the City Commission for award of the subject RFP is as follows:

- 1) Accept the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the RFP and authorize negotiations with Humana Insurance Company, the highest ranked responsive and responsible proposer.
- 2) Should negotiations fail with the top-ranked proposer, negotiations may commence with the next highest ranked responsive-responsible proposer Delta Dental Insurance Company, if determined to be in the best interest of the city, until a satisfactory agreement and contract amount that is fair, competitive, and reasonable is reached.
- 3) Reaffirm the City's right to pursue alternative courses of action.

On June 6, 2024, the Procurement Division of Finance formally advertised, issued, and distributed Group Vision Insurance, Request for Proposals (RFP) 2024-022. Twenty-one (21) prospective proposers were notified of the RFP package from INFOR, the City's wed-based e-procurement system.

On July 25, 2024, seven (7) firms submitted proposals, including one (1) no proposal, in response to the RFP: Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company, Delta Dental Insurance Company, Humana Insurance Company, KNL, Inc., Solstice Benefits, Inc., Standard Insurance Company, and United Healthcare Insurance Company.

The responses were reviewed by the Procurement Division in order to determine responsiveness to the requirements of the RFP. During the review, it was determined by Procurement, after consulting with the City Attorney's Office, that United Healthcare Insurance Company, would be deemed non-responsive based on their failure to provide the required business references prior to the closing of the solicitation.

On September 3, 2024, the Evaluation Committee convened to evaluate the five (5) responsive and responsible proposals and ranked the firms in the following order of preference: Humana Insurance Company, (top ranked), Delta Dental Insurance Company (second ranked), Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company (third ranked), Solstice Benefits, Inc., (fourth ranked), and Standard Insurance Company (fifth ranked). The Evaluation Committee determined that Humana Insurance Company, was the highest ranked responsive-responsible proposer to provide the requested services for an initial three (3) year term with two (2) one (1) year renewals.

The Evaluation Committee further recommended that should negotiations fail with Humana Insurance Company, negotiations could be conducted with the next two (2) ranked firms, Delta Dental Insurance Company, and Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company.

After successful negotiations, a Professional Services Agreement will be executed. A more detailed description of the RFP, proposal response and evaluation results will be provided to you as part of the agenda package.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

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Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk
Alberto N. Parjus, Deputy City Manager
Raquel Elejabarrieta, Human Resources, Labor Relations and Risk Management Director
Diana M. Gomez, Finance Director
Celeste S. Walker-Harmon, Chief Procurement Officer

## Proposal Evaluation Form RFP 2024-022 Group Dental Insurance Totals Composite Form Active

Selection Criteria \ Proposers	Maximum Criteria Points per Evaluator	Total Maximum Sub-Criteria Points	Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company	Delta Dental Insurance Company	Humana Insurance Company	Solstice Benefits, Inc.	Standard Insurance Company
			TOTAL:	TOTAL:	TOTAL:	TOTAL:	TOTAL:
Experience & Qualifications	30	150					
Proposer's qualifications including, but not limited to, company history and description, number of years in business, size, number of employees, office location where work is to be performed, licenses/certifications, credentials, capabilities and capacity to meet the City's needs		50	48.0	47.0	49.0	37.0	32.0
Proposer's relevant knowledge and experience in providing the services described in the "Scope of Services" to public sector agencies similar in size to the City of Coral Gables		50	44.0	47.0	49.0	34.0	30.0
Financial Strength Rating from AM Best, with a minimum of A-, XIV		25	24.0	24.0	24.0	25.0	24.0
Qualifications, copy of applicable licenses/certifications, and experience of all proposed key personnel		25	24.0	23.0	24.0	20.0	18.0
Experience & Qualifications Total			140.0	141.0	146.0	116.0	104.0
Project Understanding, Proposed Approach, Methodology	20	100					
Proposer's overall detailed understanding, approach and methodology to perform the services solicited herein.		30	28.0	28.0	29.0	23.0	19.0
Proposer's Provider Network being utilized for the City of Coral Gables. Be sure to complete the Provider Network Section in the Group Questionnaire which identifies the number of Providers by County		10	10.0	10.0	10.0	7.0	6.0
Details of the Proposer's lack of restrictions or exclusions imposed		10	8.0	8.0	9.0	7.0	6.0
Proposer's offering of an Online Benefit Enrollment system for the Open Enrollment process, along with the ability to include additional lines of coverage		10	5.0	7.0	9.0	7.0	3.0
Proposer's ability to provide covered individuals access to company professionals to discuss benefit coverage issues		10	9.0	9.0	8.0	7.0	6.0
Comprehensive description of your proposed ability to duplicate existing coverage for employees, retirees and dependents		30	20.0	24.0	29.0	24.0	20.0
Project Understanding, Proposed Approach, Methodology Total			80.0	86.0	94.0	75.0	60.0
Past Performance and References	10	50					
Proposer's three (3) references (but no more than five (5) from public sector agencies, similar in size to the City of Coral Gables, for which Proposer has provided the services described in the RFP		30	30.0	29.0	30.0	22.0	19.0
List with contact information of public sector clients, if any, that have discontinued use of Proposer's services within the past two (2) years and indicate the reasons for the same		10	6.0	7.0	9.0	5.0	5.0
Incidents within the last five (5) years where (a) a civil, criminal, administrative, other similar proceeding was filed or is pending		10	6.0	8.0	9.0	7.0	7.0
Past Performance and References Total			42.0	44.0	48.0	34.0	31.0
Agreement Exceptions	5	25					
Review exceptions made by the proposer to the conditions listed in the agreement for the services		25	21.0	20.0	23.0	19.0	16.0
Agreement Exceptions Total			21.0	20.0	23.0	19.0	16.0
<ul> <li>Provide pricing in INFOR for the premiums being charged for employees, retirees and dependents</li> </ul>	35	175	129.0	152.5	165.0	144.0	131.0
Total Points	100	500	412.0	443.5	476.0	388.0	342.0
Ranking			3	2	1	4	5