EXHIBIT B - SCOPE OF WORK & TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

IFB 2026-039 TREE CUTTING & VEGETATION CLEARANCE

The Contractor shall perform tree trimming, vegetation removal, and line-of-sight clearing services for the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) along the designated streetcar routes. All work must be performed in accordance with applicable safety standards, arborist best practices, and any requirements established by the City of New Orleans Parks and Parkways Department.

MANDATORY SITE VISIT

The Regional Transit Authority of New Orleans (RTA) will conduct a **mandatory site visit** on **Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. CST**.

Only bids submitted by firms that attend the mandatory site visit will be deemed eligible for consideration for award.

Participants shall convene at 2817 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70119, before departing with the Project Manager via shuttle to multiple project locations.

Tree Trimming Requirements

The Contractor shall:

- Provide a 4–5-foot clearance by cutting back all tree branches hanging over powerlines and branches growing into or through RTA catenary (overhead contact) lines.
- Trim, remove, or cut back all vegetation and brush that obstructs visibility along the designated streetcar line.

Project Location – Rampart & Loyola

Tree trimming and vegetation clearance shall be performed along the Rampart Line and Loyola Line, specifically:

- UPT Station to Rampart Street & Elysian Fields Avenue (outbound & inbound)
    - Trim all trees to provide a 4–5-foot clearance from catenary/power lines.

All transmission lines and overhead wires along this alignment shall be cleared of tree branches and vegetation.

Contractor Responsibilities

The awarded Contractor shall:

- Furnish all labor, materials, tools, supplies, equipment, transportation, and services necessary to complete all required trimming and clearing.
- Ensure proper traffic control, safety procedures, and protection of RTA infrastructure during all operations.
- Obtain and maintain all required permits from the City of New Orleans Parks and Parkways before performing any work.
- Properly remove and dispose of all trimmed vegetation and debris from the work area.

Additional Information

- Small Business Enterprise (SBE) certification through the Louisiana Economic Development (LED) Hudson Initiative satisfies the requirements for this IFB.
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) certification is not specifically required for this IFB.
- RTA is unable to provide an estimate. Bids shall be based on the vendor's evaluation following the mandatory site visit.
- RTA does not maintain a fixed or recurring tree maintenance plan, schedule, or service frequency for this solicitation. The selected vendor shall complete all requested services within sixty (60) calendar days of contract execution or issuance of a Notice to Proceed, as applicable.