

RESOLUTION 26-51

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SPRING HILL, TENNESSEE TO
ENTER INTO A MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH
SMITH SECKMAN REID, INC.**

WHEREAS, the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee (the "City") periodically requires professional engineering services to support the planning, design, permitting, and construction administration of water system infrastructure and related facilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 26-26, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen authorized City staff to negotiate contracts with selected engineering firms to provide Spring Hill Water engineering services to the City; and

WHEREAS, City staff has negotiated a Master Services Agreement with Smith Seckman Reid, Inc., attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, establishing the general terms and conditions under which Spring Hill Water engineering services may be provided on an as-needed basis; and

WHEREAS, the Master Services Agreement provides for an initial term not to exceed three (3) years, with the option for two (2) additional one-year renewal terms upon mutual agreement of the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Master Services Agreement does not authorize specific project work or expenditures, which shall be approved separately through task orders and in accordance with the City's purchasing policies and applicable budget appropriations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee, that the Master Services Agreement between the City of Spring Hill and Smith Seckman Reid, Inc. for Spring Hill Water engineering services, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved, and the Mayor is authorized to execute said Agreement and any documents necessary to effectuate its intent.

Passed and Adopted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee on the 17th day of February, 2026.



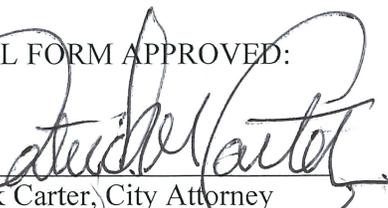
Matt Fitterer, Mayor

ATTEST:



April Goad, City Recorder

LEGAL FORM APPROVED:



Patrick Carter, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference is the Master Services Agreement between the City of Spring Hill, Tennessee and Smith Seckman Reid, Inc., consisting of the following pages.

STAFF MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

FROM: Dan Allen, PE, Assistant City Administrator

DATE: February 17, 2026

SUBJECT: Resolution 26-51 | A Resolution authorizing the City of Spring Hill, TN to enter into a Master Services Agreement with Smith Seckman Reid, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of a resolution authorizing the City to enter into a Master Services Agreement with Smith Seckman Reid, Inc. for Spring Hill Water engineering services.

BACKGROUND:

The City of Spring Hill periodically requires professional engineering services to support the planning, design, permitting, and construction administration of water system infrastructure and related facilities for Spring Hill Water.

Pursuant to Resolution 26-26, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen authorized staff to negotiate contracts with selected engineering firms to provide Spring Hill Water engineering services on an as-needed basis. Staff has negotiated a Master Services Agreement with Smith Seckman Reid, Inc. that establishes the general terms and conditions under which engineering services may be provided.

The agreement provides for an initial term not to exceed three (3) years, with two (2) additional one-year renewal options subject to Board approval. Specific project work and associated costs will be authorized separately through approved task orders in accordance with the City's purchasing policies and applicable budget appropriations.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of the Master Services Agreement does not obligate the City to any specific expenditure. Funding for services performed under this agreement will be approved on a project-by-project basis through individual task orders and will be subject to available budget appropriations within the Spring Hill Water Fund.



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**AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER
FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES—
TASK ORDER EDITION**

PART 1 OF 4: MAIN AGREEMENT

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MAIN AGREEMENT

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES—TASK ORDER EDITION

MAIN AGREEMENT

This Main Agreement is a part of the Agreement between City of Spring Hill (Owner) and Smith Seckman Reid, Inc. (Engineer). Other terms used in the Agreement are defined in Article 7.

From time to time Owner may request that Engineer provide professional services for Specific Projects. Each engagement will be documented by a Task Order. This Main Agreement sets forth the general terms and conditions that apply to all duly executed Task Orders.

Owner and Engineer further agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1—SERVICES OF ENGINEER

1.01 General

- A. Engineer's services will be detailed in a duly executed Task Order for each Specific Project, or for a portion of a Specific Project.
- B. The Main Agreement is not a commitment by Owner to issue any Task Orders.
- C. Engineer will not be obligated to perform any prospective Task Order unless and until (1) Owner and Engineer agree to the particulars of the assignment, including the scope of Engineer's services, time for performance, Engineer's compensation, and all other appropriate matters, and include such particulars in the Task Order, and (2) Owner and Engineer both sign the Task Order.
- D. Each duly executed Task Order will be subject to the terms and conditions of (a) this Main Agreement; (b) the Main Agreement's exhibits; (c) any executed written amendments of the Main Agreement (see Exhibit C); (d) the specific Task Order itself; (e) the specific Task Order's exhibits; and (f) any amendments or modifications of the specific Task Order.

1.02 Task Order Procedure

- A. The general recommended format of a Task Order is presented in the accompanying Task Order Form. Commonly-used Task Order exhibits are presented in the accompanying Exhibits to Task Order document.
- B. Each specific Task Order will indicate:
 - 1. Project Background Data;
 - 2. Specific services to be performed by Engineer ("Scope"), including key deliverables;
 - 3. Additions or Modifications to Owner's Responsibilities;
 - 4. Task Order Schedule;

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5. Engineer's Compensation for Task Order; and
 6. Primary Subconsultants, if any.
- C. With respect to the Engineer's scope of services under a specific Task Order, each specific Task Order will either (1) be accompanied by and incorporate an Exhibit A, "Engineer's Services Under Task Order," and Exhibit B, "Deliverables Schedule," prepared for the specific Task Order, or (2) state a customized scope of services and deliverables schedule in the Task Order document itself or in an attachment.
- D. Upon signature of the Task Order by both parties (but no earlier than the Effective Date of the specific Task Order), Engineer will commence performance and furnish, or cause to be furnished, the services authorized by the Task Order.
- E. Task Orders may be amended as set forth in Paragraph 8.05.B of this Main Agreement.

1.03 Management of Engineering Services

- A. All phases of Engineer's services under each Task Order will include management of Engineer's Specific Project responsibilities, including but not limited to the following management tasks, whether separately tracked and itemized or included as being incidental to other phase and scope task items.
1. Develop and submit an Engineering Services Schedule. The Engineering Services Schedule will:
 - a. be consistent with and serve as a supplement to the Schedule of Deliverables set forth in Exhibit B to Task Order.
 - b. be updated on a regular basis, and as required to reflect any programmatic decisions by Owner.
 - c. include, but not be limited to, an anticipated sequence of tasks; estimates of task duration; interrelationships among tasks; milestone meetings and submittals; anticipated schedule of construction; and other pertinent Project events.
 2. Develop and submit detailed work plans from Exhibit A to Task Order tasks.
 3. Coordinate services within Engineer's internal team, and with Subconsultants and Engineer's Subcontractors.
 4. Prepare for and participate in meetings with consultants and contractors working on other parts of the Specific Project that may affect, or be affected by, Engineer's services or resulting construction.
 5. Prepare and submit monthly engineering services progress reports to the Owner. Include a summary of services performed in period, expected progress in next period, percent completion of current tasks, and a description of major issues or concerns.
 6. Special Invoicing: In addition to, or as a substitute for, Engineer's standard invoicing, for each invoice provide the specified additional information or documentation, following the invoicing procedures indicated: services invoiced directly to the master services agreement project number, and not to a separate task order project number, shall be itemized with time invoiced and a brief description of the services performed.
 7. Conduct ongoing management tasks, including:

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- a. Maintaining communications records and files pertaining to or arising from Engineer's services;
 - b. With respect to Engineer's services and other directly relevant parts of the Specific Project, prepare for and participate in periodic progress meetings with Owner to discuss progress, schedule, budget, issues, potential problems and their resolution; and
 - c. Preparing agendas prior to and minutes following all Engineer-led meetings.
- B. Unless a different standard is expressly set forth in a specific Task Order, in all phases of Engineer's services, Engineer shall prepare draft and final Drawings in accordance with Engineer's CAD standards, using _____-version _____ software.
- C. The source documents for the draft and final Specifications in all phases of Engineer's services will be Engineer's standard specifications, unless a different source document is expressly identified in the specific Task Order.
- 1.04 Sequencing and Coordination
- A. For each Task Order, the Work to be designed or specified by Engineer, upon which the Engineer's scope has been established, will be performed or furnished under one prime Construction Contract, unless specified otherwise in the Task Order.
- B. If the Work designed or specified by Engineer under a specific Task Order is to be performed or furnished under more than one prime Construction Contract, or if Engineer's services are to be separately sequenced with the work of one or more of Owner's consultants or contractors (such as in the case of fast-tracking), then:
- 1. the Task Order's Deliverables Schedule will account for the need to sequence and properly coordinate Engineer's services as applicable to the Work under the Construction Contracts; or
 - 2. If the Task Order does not address such sequencing and coordination, then Owner and Engineer will jointly develop a schedule for sequencing and coordination of services prior to commencement of final design services; this schedule is to be prepared and included in or become an amendment to the authorizing Task Order, whether the work under such contracts is to proceed concurrently or sequentially.

ARTICLE 2—OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

2.01 Application of Owner's Responsibilities

- A. The responsibilities of Owner set forth in Article 2 apply to each Specific Project and each specific Task Order. Supplemental responsibilities of Owner applicable only to a specific Task Order may be stated in the specific Task Order.

2.02 Project Information

- A. To the extent Owner has not already provided the following, or has new, additional, or revised information from that previously provided, Owner shall provide Engineer with information and data needed by Engineer in the performance of the Specific Project, including Owner's:

1. design objectives and constraints;
 2. space, capacity, and performance requirements;
 3. flexibility and expandability needs;
 4. design and construction standards;
 5. budgetary limitations; and
 6. any other available information pertinent to the Specific Project including reports and data relative to previous designs, construction, or investigation at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. Following Engineer's assessment of initially-available information and data and upon Engineer's request, Owner shall obtain, furnish, or otherwise make available (if necessary through retention of specialists or consultants) such additional information and data as is reasonably required to enable Engineer to complete its Basic and Additional Services under the Task Order; or, with consent of Engineer, Owner may authorize the Engineer to obtain or provide all or part of such additional information as Additional Services. Such additional information or data may include the following:
1. Property descriptions.
 2. Zoning, deed, and other land use restrictions.
 3. Surveys, Mapping, and Utility Documentation.
 4. Property, boundary, easement, right-of-way, and other special surveys or data, including establishing relevant reference points.
 5. Explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site; geotechnical reports and investigations; drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site; hydrographic surveys, laboratory tests and inspections of samples, materials, and equipment; with appropriate professional interpretation of such information or data.
 6. Environmental assessments, audits, investigations, and impact statements, and other relevant environmental, historical, or cultural studies relevant to the Specific Project, the Site, and adjacent areas.
 7. Data or consultations as required for the specific Task Order but not otherwise identified in this Agreement.
- C. Owner shall examine all alternative solutions, studies, reports, sketches, Drawings, Specifications, proposals, and other documents presented by Engineer (including obtaining advice of an attorney, risk manager, insurance counselor, financial/municipal advisor, and other advisors or consultants as Owner deems appropriate with respect to such examination) and render in writing timely decisions pertaining thereto.
- D. If a specific Task Order requires Engineer to assist Owner in collating the various cost categories that comprise Total Project Costs, Owner shall furnish to Engineer data as to Owner's anticipated costs for services to be provided to Owner by others (including, but not limited to, accounting, bond and financial, independent cost estimating, insurance counseling, and legal advice).

- E. Owner shall advise Engineer if any invention, design, process, product, or device that Owner has requested, required, or recommended for inclusion in the Drawings or Specifications prepared or furnished under a Task Order will be subject to payment (whether by Owner or Contractor) of any license fee or royalty to others, as required by patent rights or copyrights.
- F. Owner shall inform Engineer as to whether Engineer's assistance is requested with respect to Owner's evaluation of the possible use of Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques, as defined in Exhibit A to Task Order.
- G. Owner shall inform Engineer as to whether Engineer's assistance is requested in identifying opportunities for enhancing the sustainability of the Specific Project.

2.03 Owner's Instructions Regarding Bidding and Construction Contract Documents

- A. Owner shall give instructions to Engineer regarding Owner's procurement of construction services (including instructions regarding advertisements for bids, instructions to bidders, and requests for proposals, as applicable) and Owner's construction contract practices and requirements, and furnish to Engineer (or give specific directions requesting Engineer to use copies already in Engineer's possession) the following:
 - 1. Owner's standard contract forms, general conditions (if other than the current edition of EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract), supplementary conditions, text, and related documents and content for Engineer to include in the draft bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and in draft Construction Contract Documents;
 - 2. insurance and bonding requirements;
 - 3. protocols for electronic transmittals during bidding and construction;
 - 4. Owner's safety and security programs applicable to Contractor and other Constructors;
 - 5. diversity and other social responsibility requirements;
 - 6. bidding and contract requirements of funding, financing, or regulatory entities;
 - 7. other specific conditions applicable to the procurement of construction or contract documents;
 - 8. any other information necessary for Engineer to assist Owner in preparing, for each Specific Project, bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents) and Construction Contract Documents.
- B. Owner shall have responsibility for the final content of (1) such bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and (2) those portions of any Construction Contract other than the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise) and other engineering or technical matters.
 - 1. Owner shall seek the advice of Owner's legal counsel, risk managers, and insurance advisors with respect to the drafting and content of such documents.
- C. Owner shall place and pay for advertisements for Bids in appropriate publications.

2.04 Owner-Furnished Services

- A. Recognizing and acknowledging that Engineer's services and expertise do not include the following services, Owner shall obtain, as required for each Specific Project:
 - 1. Accounting, bond and financial advisory services (including, if applicable, "municipal advisor" services as described in Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) and the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission), independent cost estimating, and insurance counseling services.
 - 2. Legal services, including attorney review of proposed Construction Contract Documents, legal services required by Owner, legal services needed as a result of issues raised by Contractor, and Project-related legal services reasonably requested by Engineer.
 - 3. Auditing services, including those needed by Owner to ascertain how or for what purpose Contractor has used money paid to it.
- B. Owner shall provide the services of an independent testing laboratory to perform all inspections, tests, and approvals of samples, materials, and equipment required by the Construction Contract Documents (other than those required to be furnished or arranged by Contractor), or to evaluate the performance of materials, equipment, and facilities of Owner, prior to their incorporation into the Work with appropriate professional interpretation thereof. Owner shall provide Engineer with the findings and reports generated by testing laboratories, including findings and reports obtained from or through Contractor.
- C. Owner shall acquire or arrange for acquisition of the Site(s) and any temporary or permanent rights of access, easements, or property rights needed for each Specific Project.
- D. With respect to the portions or phases of each Specific Project designed or specified by Engineer, Owner shall provide, obtain, or arrange for:
 - 1. all required reviews, approvals, consents, and permits from governmental authorities having jurisdiction, and
 - 2. such reviews, approvals, and consents from others as may be necessary for completion of each portion or phase of the Specific Project.
- E. Owner may delegate to a Contractor or others the responsibilities set forth in Paragraphs 2.04.C and D.

2.05 Owner's General Responsibilities

- A. Owner shall inform Engineer of the policies, procedures, and requirements of Owner that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement and under each Task Order.
- B. Owner will provide Engineer with Owner's budget for each Specific Project, including type and source of funding to be used and will promptly inform Engineer if the budget or funding sources change.

- C. Owner shall inform Engineer in writing of any safety or security programs that are applicable to the personnel of Engineer, its Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors, as they visit the Site or otherwise perform services under this Agreement and under each Task Order.
- D. Owner shall arrange for safe access to and make all provisions for Engineer to enter upon public and private property as required for Engineer to perform services under this Agreement and under each Task Order.
- E. Owner shall provide necessary direction and make decisions, including prompt review of Engineer's submittals, and carry out its other responsibilities in a timely manner so as not to delay Engineer's performance of its services.
- F. Owner shall be responsible for all requirements and instructions that it furnishes to Engineer pursuant to this Agreement, and for the accuracy and completeness of all programs, reports, data, and other information furnished by Owner to Engineer pursuant to this Agreement or any Task Order. Engineer may use and rely upon such requirements, programs, instructions, reports, data, and information in performing or furnishing services under this Agreement or any Task Order, subject to any express limitations or reservations applicable to the furnished items.
- G. Owner shall give prompt written notice to Engineer whenever Owner observes or otherwise becomes aware of:
 - 1. any development that affects the scope or time of performance of Engineer's services;
 - 2. the presence at the Site of any Constituent of Concern; or
 - 3. any relevant, material defect or nonconformance in: (a) Engineer's services, (b) the Work, (c) the performance of any Constructor, or (d) Owner's performance of its responsibilities under this Agreement.
- H. Owner shall advise Engineer of the identity and scope of services of any independent consultants employed by Owner to perform or furnish services in regard to a Specific Project, including, but not limited to, cost estimating, project peer review, value engineering, and constructability review.
- I. If Owner designates a construction manager, site representative, or any individual or entity other than, or in addition to, Engineer to represent Owner at the Site, then Owner shall define and set forth, in an exhibit to the governing Task Order, the duties, responsibilities, and limitations of authority of such other party and the relation thereof to the duties, responsibilities, and authority of Engineer.
- J. Owner shall:
 - 1. Attend and participate in the pre-bid conference, bid opening, pre-construction conferences, construction progress and other job-related meetings, and Site visits to determine Substantial Completion and readiness of the completed Work for final payment.
 - 2. Primarily communicate with Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants through the Engineer.
 - a. Promptly inform Engineer of the substance of any communications between Owner and Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants.

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- b. Refrain from directing the services of Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants.
- 3. Authorize Engineer to provide Additional Services as set forth in Part 2 of Exhibit A of each Task Order, as required.
- 4. Perform or provide the following:
 - a. All other Owner responsibilities expressly identified in any Task Order, not otherwise set forth in this Agreement.
 - b. Unless expressly indicated otherwise in a Task Order, Owner shall be responsible for compliance, reporting, and coordination with state and federal funding sources and agencies.

2.06 Payment

- A. Owner shall pay Engineer as set forth in each Task Order, pursuant to the applicable terms of Article 4.

ARTICLE 3—TERM AND TIMES FOR RENDERING SERVICES

3.01 Term

- A. This Agreement will be effective and applicable to Task Orders issued hereunder for an initial three (3) year term with the option for the City to extend the Agreement for up to two (2) additional one-year terms from the Effective Date of the Agreement.
- B. The parties may extend or renew this Agreement, with or without changes, by written instrument establishing a new term.

3.02 Commencement

- A. Engineer is authorized to begin rendering services under a Task Order as of the Effective Date of the Task Order.

3.03 Time for Completion

- A. The Effective Date of the Task Order and the times for completing services or providing deliverables will be stated in each Task Order.
- B. If, through no fault of Engineer, such periods of time or dates are changed, or the orderly and continuous progress of Engineer's services is impaired, or Engineer's services are delayed or suspended, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, will be adjusted equitably.
- C. If Owner authorizes changes in the scope, extent, or character of a Specific Project, or of Engineer's services, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, will be adjusted equitably.
- D. If the Contract Times to complete the Work under a Construction Contract are extended beyond the period stated in the governing Task Order, Owner will pay Engineer for the additional services during the extension based on the Standard Hourly Rates Method of Payment.
- E. If Engineer fails, for reasons within the control of Engineer, to complete the performance required in a Task Order within the time set forth, as duly adjusted, then Owner shall be

entitled, as its sole remedy, to the recovery of direct damages to the extent, if any, resulting from such failure by Engineer.

ARTICLE 4—INVOICES AND PAYMENTS

4.01 Invoices

- A. Preparation and Submittal of Invoices: Engineer shall prepare invoices in accordance with its standard invoicing practices; the terms of any progress reporting and special invoicing requirements in Paragraph 1.03, or as otherwise required in Exhibit A to the Task Order; and with the applicable terms of Appendix 1 to Main Agreement, Reimbursable Expenses Schedule, and Appendix 2 to Main Agreement, Standard Hourly Rates Schedule. Engineer shall submit its invoices to Owner on a monthly basis. Invoices are due and payable within 30 days of receipt.

4.02 Payments

- A. Application to Interest and Principal: Payment will be credited first to any interest owed to Engineer and then to principal.
- B. Disputed Invoices: If Owner disputes an invoice, either as to amount or entitlement, then Owner shall promptly advise Engineer in writing of the specific basis for doing so, may withhold only that portion so disputed, and must pay the undisputed portion, subject to the terms of Article 4. After a disputed item has been resolved, Engineer shall include the agreed-upon amount on a new invoice.
- C. Failure to Pay: If Owner fails to make any undisputed payment due Engineer within 30 days after receipt of Engineer's invoice, then:
 - 1. amounts due Engineer will be increased at the rate of 1.0% per month (or the maximum rate of interest permitted by law, if less) from said thirtieth day, and
 - 2. Engineer may, after giving 7 days' written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement until Owner has paid in full amounts due. Owner waives any and all claims against Engineer for any such suspension.
- D. Sales or Use Taxes: If after the Effective Date of a Task Order any governmental entity takes an action that imposes additional sales or use taxes on Engineer's services or compensation under the Task Order, then Engineer may invoice such additional sales or use taxes for reimbursement by Owner. Owner shall reimburse Engineer for the cost of such invoiced additional sales or use taxes; such reimbursement will be in addition to the compensation to which Engineer is entitled under the terms of this Main Agreement and the specific Task Order.

4.03 Basis of Compensation

- A. The bases of compensation (compensation methods) for Basic Services (including if applicable the bases of compensation for individual phases of Basic Services) and for Additional Services must be identified in each specific Task Order (Task Order Form, Paragraph 6). Owner shall pay Engineer for services in accordance with the applicable basis of compensation.

- B. The ~~three~~ two following bases of compensation are used for services under Task Orders, as identified in each specific Task Order:
1. Lump Sum (plus any expenses expressly eligible for reimbursement)
 2. Standard Hourly Rates (plus any expenses expressly eligible for reimbursement)
 3. ~~Direct Labor Costs Times a Factor (plus any expenses expressly eligible for reimbursement)~~
- C. The terms and conditions applicable to each of the ~~three~~ two compensation methods are set forth in Paragraph 4.04.

4.04 Explanation of Compensation Methods

A. Lump Sum

1. Owner shall pay Engineer a Lump Sum amount for the specified category of services.
2. The Lump Sum will include compensation for Engineer's services and services of Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants, if any. The Lump Sum constitutes full and complete compensation for Engineer's services in the specified category, including labor costs, overhead, profit, expenses (other than those expenses expressly eligible for reimbursement, if any), and Engineer's Subcontractor and Subconsultant charges.
3. In addition to the Lump Sum, Engineer is also entitled to reimbursement from Owner for the following expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred by Engineer in connection with the performing or furnishing of the services in the specified category (see Appendix 1 for rates or charges):
 - a. Expenses shall be identified in the Task Order.
4. The portion of the Lump Sum amount billed for Engineer's services will be based upon Engineer's estimate of the proportion of the total services completed during the billing period to the Lump Sum.

B. Standard Hourly Rates

1. For the specified category of services, the Owner shall pay Engineer an amount equal to the cumulative hours charged to the Specific Project by each class of Engineer's employees times Standard Hourly Rates for each applicable billing class. Under this method, Engineer shall also be entitled to reimbursement from Owner for the expenses identified in Paragraph 4.05 below, and Appendix 1.
2. Standard Hourly Rates include salaries and wages paid to personnel in each billing class plus the cost of customary and statutory benefits, general and administrative overhead, non-project operating costs, and operating margin or profit.
3. Engineer's Reimbursable Expenses Schedule and Standard Hourly Rates are attached to this Agreement as Appendices 1 and 2.
4. The total estimated compensation for the specified category of services will be stated in the Task Order. This total estimated compensation will incorporate all labor at Standard Hourly Rates, and reimbursable expenses (including Engineer's Subcontractor and Subconsultant charges, if any).

5. The amounts billed will be based on the cumulative hours charged to the specified category of services on the Specific Project during the billing period by each class of Engineer's employees times Standard Hourly Rates for each applicable billing class, plus reimbursable expenses (including Engineer's Subcontractor and Subconsultant charges, if any).
6. The Standard Hourly Rates and Reimbursable Expenses Schedule will be adjusted annually (as of July 1) to reflect equitable changes in the compensation payable to Engineer.

C. ~~Direct Labor Costs Times a Factor~~

1. ~~For the specified category of services, the Owner shall pay Engineer an amount equal to Engineer's Direct Labor Costs times a factor of **[Factor]** for the services of Engineer's employees engaged on the Specific Project. Direct Labor Costs means salaries and wages paid to employees but does not include payroll related costs or benefits. Under this method, Engineer shall also be entitled to reimbursement from Owner for the expenses identified in Paragraph 4.05 below, and Appendix 1.~~
2. ~~Engineer's Reimbursable Expenses Schedule is attached to this Exhibit as Appendix 1.~~
3. ~~The total estimated compensation for the specified category of services must be stated in the Task Order. This total estimated compensation incorporates all labor, overhead, profit, and reimbursable expenses (including Consultant's charges, if any).~~
4. ~~The amounts billed will be based on the applicable Direct Labor Costs for the cumulative hours charged to the specified category of services on the Specific Project during the billing period times the above designated Factor, plus reimbursable expenses (including Engineer's Subcontractor and Subconsultant charges, if any).~~
5. ~~The Reimbursable Expenses Schedule, Direct Labor Costs, and the factor applied to Direct Labor Costs will be adjusted annually (as of **[Date]**) to reflect equitable changes in the compensation payable to Engineer.~~

4.05 Reimbursable Expenses

- A. Under the Lump Sum method basis of compensation to Engineer, unless expressly indicated otherwise the Lump Sum amount includes the following categories of expenses: transportation (including mileage), lodging, and subsistence incidental thereto; providing and maintaining field office facilities including furnishings and utilities; toll telephone calls, mobile phone services, and courier charges; reproduction of reports, Drawings, Specifications, bidding-related or other procurement documents, Construction Contract Documents, and similar Specific Project-related items; and Engineer's Subcontractor and Subconsultant charges. These expenses are not reimbursable under the Lump Sum method, unless expressly indicated otherwise in Paragraph 4.04.A.3 above.
- B. Expenses eligible for reimbursement under the ~~Direct Labor Costs Times a Factor~~ and Standard Hourly Rate methods of compensation include the following expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred by Engineer in connection with the performing or furnishing of Basic and Additional Services for the Task Order:
 1. Transportation (including mileage), lodging, and subsistence incidental thereto;

2. Providing and maintaining field office facilities including furnishings and utilities;
 3. Toll telephone calls, mobile phone services, and courier services; reproduction of reports, Drawings, Specifications, bidding-related or other procurement documents, Construction Contract Documents, and similar Specific Project-related items;
 4. Consultant charges; and
 5. Other expenses identified in Appendix 1.
- C. Reimbursable expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred in connection with services provided under the ~~Direct Labor Costs Times a Factor~~ and Standard Hourly Rate methods must be paid at the rates set forth in Appendix 1, Reimbursable Expenses Schedule, subject to the factors set forth below.
- D. The amounts payable to Engineer for reimbursable expenses will be the Project-specific internal expenses actually incurred or allocated by Engineer, plus all invoiced external reimbursable expenses allocable to the Specific Project, the latter multiplied by a factor of 1.0.
- E. Whenever Engineer is entitled to compensation for the charges of its Consultants, those charges will be the amount billed by such Consultants to Engineer times a factor of 1.1.
- F. The external reimbursable expenses and Consultants' factors include Engineer's overhead and profit associated with Engineer's responsibility for the administration of such services and costs.

4.06 Other Provisions Concerning Payment

- A. Estimated Compensation Amounts
1. Engineer's estimate of the amounts that will become payable for services are only estimates for planning purposes, are not binding on the parties, and are not the minimum or maximum amounts payable to Engineer under the Agreement.
 2. When estimated compensation amounts have been stated in a Task Order and it subsequently becomes apparent to Engineer that a compensation amount thus estimated will be exceeded, Engineer shall give Owner written notice thereof, allowing Owner to consider its options, including suspension or termination for Owner's convenience of Engineer's services under the Task Order. Upon notice, Owner and Engineer will promptly review the matter of services remaining to be performed and compensation for such services. Owner shall either exercise its right to suspend or terminate Engineer's services under the Task Order for Owner's convenience, agree to such compensation exceeding said estimated amount, or agree to a reduction in the remaining services to be rendered by Engineer, so that total compensation for such services will not exceed said estimated amount when such services are completed. If Owner decides not to suspend the Engineer's services during the negotiations and Engineer exceeds the estimated amount before Owner and Engineer have agreed to an increase in the compensation due Engineer or a reduction in the remaining services, then Engineer will be paid for all services rendered.

ARTICLE 5—OPINIONS OF COST

5.01 Opinions of Probable Construction Cost

- A. Engineer's opinions of probable Construction Cost (if any) are to be made on the basis of Engineer's experience, qualifications, and general familiarity with the construction industry. However, because Engineer has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment, or services furnished by others, or over contractors' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Engineer cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or actual Construction Cost will not vary from opinions of probable Construction Cost prepared by Engineer. If Owner requires greater assurance as to probable Construction Cost, then Owner agrees to obtain an independent cost estimate.

5.02 Opinions of Total Project Costs

- A. The services, if any, of Engineer with respect to Total Project Costs will be limited to assisting the Owner in tabulating the various categories that comprise Total Project Costs. Engineer assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of any opinions of Total Project Costs.

ARTICLE 6—GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

6.01 Standards of Performance

- A. **Standard of Care:** The standard of care for all professional engineering and related services performed or furnished by Engineer under this Agreement will be the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the subject profession practicing under similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality. Engineer makes no warranties, express or implied, under this Agreement or otherwise, in connection with any services performed or furnished by Engineer.
- B. **Technical Accuracy:** Owner shall not be responsible for discovering deficiencies in the technical accuracy of Engineer's services. Engineer shall correct deficiencies in technical accuracy without additional compensation, unless such corrective action is directly attributable to deficiencies in Owner-furnished information.
- C. **Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants:** Engineer may retain such Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants as Engineer deems necessary to assist in the performance or furnishing of the services, subject to reasonable, timely, and substantive objections by Owner.
- D. **Reliance on Others:** Subject to the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 6.01.A, Engineer may use or rely upon design elements and information ordinarily or customarily furnished by others, including, but not limited to, specialty contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and the publishers of technical standards.
- E. **Compliance with Laws and Regulations, and Policies and Procedures**
 1. Engineer and Owner shall comply with applicable Laws and Regulations.
 2. Engineer shall comply with the policies, procedures, and instructions of Owner that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement and that Owner provides to Engineer in writing, subject to the standard of care set forth in

Paragraph 6.01.A, and to the extent compliance is not inconsistent with professional practice requirements.

3. This Agreement is based on Laws and Regulations and Owner-provided written policies and procedures as of the Effective Date. The following may be the basis for modifications to Owner's responsibilities or to Engineer's scope of services, times of performance, or compensation:
 - a. changes after the Effective Date of the Task Order to Laws and Regulations,
 - b. the receipt by Engineer after the Effective Date of the Task Order of Owner-provided written policies and procedures, and
 - c. changes after the Effective Date of the Task Order to Owner-provided written policies or procedures.
- F. General Conditions of Construction Contract: The general conditions for any construction contract documents prepared hereunder are to be the current edition of EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract, prepared by the Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee, unless expressly indicated otherwise in this Agreement.
- G. Copies of Drawings and Specifications: If Engineer is required to prepare or furnish Drawings or Specifications under a specific Task Order, Engineer shall deliver to Owner at least one complete electronic copy of such Drawings and Specifications, signed and sealed according to applicable Laws and Regulations, ~~and one complete printed copy, duly signed and sealed.~~
- H. Engineer shall not be required to sign any document, no matter by whom requested, that would result in Engineer having to certify, guarantee, or warrant conditions whose existence the Engineer cannot ascertain within the authorized scope of Engineer's services. Owner agrees not to make resolution of any dispute with Engineer or payment of any amount due to Engineer in any way contingent upon Engineer signing any such document.
- I. Engineer shall not at any time supervise, direct, control, or have authority over any Constructor's work, nor will Engineer have authority over or be responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, for security or safety at the Site, nor for any failure of a Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to that Constructor's furnishing and performing of its work. Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Constructor.
- J. Engineer neither guarantees the performance of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's failure to furnish and perform the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.
- K. Engineer shall not be responsible for any decision made regarding the Construction Contract Documents, or any application, interpretation, clarification, or modification of the Construction Contract Documents, other than those made by Engineer.
- L. Engineer is not required to provide and does not have any responsibility for surety bonding or insurance-related advice, recommendations, counseling, or research, or enforcement of construction insurance or surety bonding requirements.
- M. Engineer's services do not include providing legal advice or representation.

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- N. Engineer's services do not include (1) serving as a "municipal advisor" for purposes of the registration requirements of Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) or the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or (2) advising Owner, or any municipal entity or other person or entity, regarding municipal financial products or the issuance of municipal securities, including advice with respect to the structure, timing, terms, or other similar matters concerning such products or issuances.
- O. While at the Site, Engineer, its Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors, and their employees and representatives will comply with the applicable requirements of Contractor's and Owner's safety programs of which Engineer has been informed in writing.

6.02 Ownership and Use of Documents

- A. All Documents are instruments of service, and Engineer owns the Documents, including all associated copyrights and the right of reuse at the discretion of the Engineer, subject to the following provisions:
 - 1. Upon receipt by Engineer of full payment due and owing for all services relating to preparation of the Documents for a Specific Project and subject to the explicit exclusions in this Paragraph 6.02.A, Engineer and any Subconsultants will grant to Owner the ownership of the Documents for that Specific Project, including all associated copyrights and the right of reuse.
 - 2. When requested by Owner, Engineer will perform any clerical or administrative acts reasonably necessary to confirm or record the transfer of Engineer's interests in the Documents to the Owner, and Owner will reimburse the Engineer for its costs to comply with the transfer request.
 - 3. Engineer shall have and retain the ownership, title, and property rights, including copyright, patent, intellectual property, and common law rights, in any design elements (including but not limited to standard details, drawings, plans, specifications, methodologies, and engineering computations) used in the Documents, but developed by Engineer or its Subconsultants previous to or independent of this Agreement ("Previously/Independently Created Works"). Engineer shall provide appropriate verification of such previous or independent development upon Owner's request.
 - 4. Upon receipt by Engineer of full payment due and owing for all services relating to preparation of the Documents for a Specific Project, Engineer will issue to Owner a royalty-free, nonexclusive and irrevocable license to use such Previously/Independently Created Works on that Specific Project or on any extension of that Specific Project.
 - 5. Owner acknowledges that the Documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for use on the Specific Project unless completed by Engineer, or for use or reuse by Owner or others on extensions of the Specific Project, on any other project or Specific Project, or for any other use or purpose, without written verification or adaptation by Engineer.
 - 6. Any such use or reuse, or any modification of the Documents for a Specific Project, without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer, as appropriate for the specific purpose intended, will be at Owner's sole risk and without liability or legal

exposure to Engineer or to its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Consultants.

7. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Subconsultants from all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from any use, reuse, or modification of the Documents for a Specific Project without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer.
 8. Such limited license to Owner shall not create any rights in third parties.
 9. Nothing herein limits the Engineer's right of use or reuse of Previously/Independently Created Works or any of Engineer's non-Document work product.
- B. If Engineer, at Owner's request, verifies the suitability of the Documents, completes them, or adapts them for extensions of the Project or for any other purpose, then Owner shall compensate Engineer at rates or in an amount to be agreed upon by Owner and Engineer.
- C. Engineer shall inform Owner if Engineer is aware of any invention, design, process, product, or device specified in the Drawings, Specifications, or other Documents that is subject to payment (whether by Owner or Contractor) of any license fee or royalty to others, as required by patent rights or copyrights. If Engineer's good-faith inclusion in the Drawings, Specifications, or other Documents of new, innovative, or non-standard technologies, for the benefit of Owner and the Project, results in third-party claims of infringement or violation of intellectual property rights, then Owner and Engineer shall share equally the costs of defending against, settling, or paying such claims.
- D. Engineer will obtain Owner's consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld, prior to releasing any publicity, including news and press releases, promotional publications, award and prize competition submittals, and other advertising regarding the subject matter of this Agreement. Nothing herein will limit the Engineer's right to include information in statements of qualifications and proposals to others accurately describing its participation and participation of employees in the Project.

6.03 Electronic Transmittals

- A. To the fullest extent practical, Owner and Engineer agree to transmit, and accept, all correspondence, Documents, text, data, drawings, information, and graphics related to each Specific Project, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website, in accordance with Exhibit F, Electronic Documents Protocol (EDP).
1. Compliance with the EDP by Engineer shall be considered a Basic Service and no direct or separate compensation will be paid to Engineer for such compliance, unless provisions for separate compensation are expressly set forth in the EDP or in a specific Task Order.
 2. Engineer's costs directly attributable to changes in Engineer's Electronic Documents obligations, after the effective date of this Agreement, necessitated by revisions to Exhibit F, delayed adoption of Exhibit F, or implementation of other Electronic Documents protocols, will be compensated as Additional Services.

- B. If this Agreement does not include Exhibit F, or a specific Task Order expressly excludes the application of Exhibit F or otherwise does not establish or include protocols for transmittal of Electronic Documents by Electronic Means, then Owner and Engineer may operate without specific protocols or may jointly develop such protocols at a later date.
- C. Except as stated otherwise in Exhibit F (if included in this Agreement), when transmitting Electronic Documents by Electronic Means, the transmitting party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the Electronic Documents resulting from the recipient's use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used in the drafting or transmittal of the Electronic Documents, or from those established in applicable protocols.
- D. This Agreement (including the EDP) is not intended to create obligations for Owner or Engineer with respect to transmittals to or from third parties, except as expressly stated in the EDP.

6.04 Insurance

- A. Engineer shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit G.
- B. Additional Insureds: The Engineer's commercial general liability, automobile liability, and umbrella or excess liability policies, must:
 - 1. include and list as additional insureds Owner, and any individuals or entities identified as additional insureds in Exhibit G;
 - 2. include coverage for the respective officers, directors, members, partners, and employees of all such additional insureds;
 - 3. afford primary coverage to these additional insureds for all claims covered thereby (including as applicable those arising from both ongoing and completed operations); and
 - 4. not seek contribution from insurance maintained by the additional insured.
- C. Owner shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit G.
- D. Owner shall require Contractor to purchase and maintain policies of insurance covering workers' compensation, general liability, motor vehicle damage and injuries, and other insurance necessary to protect Owner's and Engineer's interests in the Project. Owner shall require Contractor to cause Engineer, its Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors to be listed as additional insureds with respect to such liability insurance purchased and maintained by Contractor for the Project. Owner shall give Engineer access to any certificates of insurance and copies of endorsements and policies obtained by Owner from Contractor.
- E. Owner and Engineer shall each deliver to the other certificates of insurance evidencing the coverages indicated in Exhibit G. Such certificates must be furnished prior to commencement of Engineer's services and at renewals thereafter during the life of the Agreement.
 - 1. Upon request by Owner or any other insured, Engineer shall also furnish other evidence of such required insurance, including but not limited to copies of policies, documentation of applicable self-insured retentions (if allowed) and deductibles, full disclosure of all relevant exclusions, and evidence of insurance required to be purchased and maintained by Subconsultants and Engineer's Subcontractors. In any

documentation made available for review under this provision, Engineer may redact (a) any confidential premium or pricing information and (b) any wording specific to projects or jurisdictions other than those applicable to this Agreement.

- F. All construction contracts entered into by Owner with respect to a Specific Project must require builder's risk or similar property insurance.
- G. All policies of property insurance relating to a Specific Project, including but not limited to any builder's risk or similar policy, must allow for waiver of subrogation rights and contain provisions to the effect that in the event of payment of any loss or damage the insurers will have no rights of recovery against any insured thereunder or against Engineer, its Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors. Owner and Engineer waive all rights against each other, Contractor, Engineer's Subcontractors and Subconsultants, and the respective officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them, for all losses and damages caused by, arising out of, or resulting from any of the perils or causes of loss covered by any such builder's risk or similar policy and any other property insurance relating to the Specific Project. Owner and Engineer shall take appropriate measures in other Specific Project-related contracts to secure waivers of rights consistent with those set forth in this paragraph.
- H. All policies of insurance must contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled, and that renewal will not be refused, until at least 10 days prior written notice has been given to the primary insured. Upon receipt of such notice, the primary insured must promptly forward a copy of the notice to the other party to this Agreement and replace the coverage being cancelled or reduced to conform to the requirements of this Agreement.
- I. At any time, Owner may request that Engineer, or Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants, at Owner's sole expense, provide additional insurance coverage, increased limits, or revised deductibles that are more protective than those specified in Exhibit G. If so, requested by Owner, and if commercially available, Engineer shall obtain and shall require Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants to obtain such additional insurance coverage, different limits, or revised deductibles for such periods of time as requested by Owner, and Exhibit G will be supplemented to incorporate these requirements.

6.05 Suspension and Termination

A. Suspension

- 1. By Owner: Owner may suspend Engineer's services under a specific Task Order for up to 90 days upon 7 days' written notice to Engineer.
- 2. By Engineer: Engineer may, after giving 7 days' written notice to Owner, suspend services under a Task Order:
 - a. if Owner has failed to pay Engineer for invoiced services and expenses under that Task Order, as set forth in Paragraphs 4.02.B and 4.02.C;
 - b. in response to the presence of Constituents of Concern at the Site, as set forth in Paragraph 6.09.D; or
 - c. if persistent circumstances beyond the control of Engineer have prevented it from performing its obligations under the Task Order.

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3. A suspension under a specific Task Order, whether by Owner or Engineer, does not affect the duty of the two parties to proceed with their obligations under other Task Orders.
- B. Termination for Cause—Task Order
1. Either party may terminate a Task Order for cause upon 30 days' written notice in the event of substantial failure by the other party to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the specific Task Order, through no fault of the terminating party.
 - a. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Task Order will not terminate under Paragraph 6.05.B.1 if the party receiving such notice begins, within 7 days of receipt of such notice, to correct its substantial failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure within no more than 30 days of receipt thereof; provided, however, that if and to the extent such substantial failure cannot be reasonably cured within such 30 day period, and if such party has diligently attempted to cure the same and thereafter continues diligently to cure the same, then the cure period provided for herein will extend up to, but in no case more than, 60 days after the date of receipt of the notice.
 2. In addition to its termination rights in Paragraph 6.05.B.1, Engineer may terminate a Task Order for cause upon 7 days' written notice:
 - a. if Owner demands that Engineer furnish or perform services contrary to Engineer's responsibilities as a licensed professional;
 - b. if the Engineer's services under the Task Order are delayed or suspended for more than 90 days for reasons beyond Engineer's control; or
 - c. as the result of the presence at or adjacent to the Site of undisclosed Constituents of Concern, as set forth in Paragraph 6.09.E.
 3. Engineer will have no liability to Owner on account of any termination by Engineer for cause.
- C. Termination for Cause—Main Agreement: In the case of a default by Owner in its obligation to pay Engineer for its services under more than one specific Task Order, Engineer may request immediate payment of all amounts invoiced on other Task Orders, and may invoice Owner for continued services on such Task Orders on a two-week billing cycle, with payment due within one week of an invoice. If Owner fails to make such payments, then upon 7 days' notice Engineer may terminate this Main Agreement and all Task Orders.
- D. Termination for Convenience by Owner: Owner may terminate a Task Order or this Main Agreement for Owner's convenience, effective upon Engineer's receipt of notice from Owner.
- E. Effective Date of Termination: If Owner terminates the Main Agreement for cause or convenience, Owner may set the effective date of termination at a time up to 30 days later than otherwise provided to allow Engineer to demobilize personnel and equipment from the Site, to complete tasks whose value would otherwise be lost, to prepare notes as to the status of completed and uncompleted tasks, and to assemble project materials in orderly files. Engineer shall be entitled to compensation for such tasks.

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- F. **Payments Upon Termination:** In the event of any termination under Paragraph 6.05, Engineer will be entitled to invoice Owner and to receive full payment for all services that have been performed or furnished in accordance with this Main Agreement and the specific Task Order, and all reimbursable expenses incurred through the effective date of termination. Upon making such payment, Owner will have the limited right to the use of Documents, at Owner's sole risk, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 6.02.A.
1. If Owner has terminated a Task Order for cause and disputes Engineer's entitlement to compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses, then Engineer's entitlement to payment and Owner's rights to the use of the Documents will be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions of this Main Agreement or as otherwise agreed in writing.
 2. If Owner has terminated the Main Agreement for convenience, or if Engineer has terminated a Task Order for cause, then Engineer will be entitled, in addition to the payments identified above, to invoice Owner and receive payment of a reasonable amount for services and expenses directly attributable to termination, both before and after the effective date of termination, such as reassignment of personnel, costs of terminating contracts with Engineer's Subcontractors or Subconsultants, and other related close-out costs, using methods and rates for Additional Services as set forth in this Main Agreement.

6.06 Successors, Assigns, and Beneficiaries

- A. Owner and Engineer are hereby bound and the successors, executors, administrators, and legal representatives of Owner and Engineer (and to the extent permitted by Paragraph 6.06.B the assigns of Owner and Engineer) are hereby bound to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators and legal representatives (and said assigns) of such other party, in respect of all covenants, agreements, and obligations of this Main Agreement and any Task Order issued under this Main Agreement.
- B. Neither Owner nor Engineer may assign, sublet, or transfer any rights under or interest (including, but without limitation, claims arising out of this Agreement or money that is due or may become due) in this Main Agreement, or in any Task Order, without the written consent of the other party, except to the extent that any assignment, subletting, or transfer is mandated by law. Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Main Agreement or any Task Order.
- C. Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Main Agreement:
1. All duties and responsibilities undertaken pursuant to this Main Agreement or any Task Order will be for the sole and exclusive benefit of Owner and Engineer and not for the benefit of any other party.
 2. Nothing in this Main Agreement or in any Task Order will be construed to create, impose, or give rise to any duty owed by Owner or Engineer to any Constructor, other third-party individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee of any of them.
 3. Owner agrees that the substance of the provisions of this Paragraph 6.06.C will appear in all Construction Contracts associated with this Main Agreement and its Task Orders.

6.07 Dispute Resolution

- A. Owner and Engineer agree to negotiate all disputes between them in good faith for a period of 30 days from the date of notice, prior to invoking mediation.
- B. Mediation: Owner and Engineer agree that they shall first submit any and all unsettled claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between them arising out of or relating to this Main Agreement or any Task Order hereunder, or to any breach of this Main Agreement or any Task Order (“Disputes”) to mediation by American Arbitration Association according to the rules for Construction Industry Arbitration and Mediation Procedures. Owner and Engineer agree to participate in the mediation process in good faith. The process will be conducted on a confidential basis, and must be completed within 120 days. If such mediation is unsuccessful in resolving a Dispute, then (1) the parties may mutually agree to a dispute resolution method of their choice, or (2) either party may seek to have the Dispute resolved by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- C. If the parties fail to resolve a dispute through mediation under Paragraph 6.07.B, then either or both may invoke the applicable dispute resolution procedures of Exhibit H. If Exhibit H is not included, or if no applicable dispute resolution method is specified in Exhibit H, then the parties may exercise their rights at law.

6.08 Controlling Law; Venue

- A. This Main Agreement and all Task Orders (unless expressly stated otherwise) are to be governed by the Laws and Regulations of the state in which the principal office of the Owner is located: Tennessee.
- B. Venue for any exercise of rights at law will be the state court having jurisdiction at the location of Maury County, Tennessee; or at the choice of either party, and if federal jurisdictional requirements can be met, in federal court in the district of Maury County, Tennessee.

6.09 Environmental Condition of Site

- A. With respect to each specific Task Order, Specific Project, and Site (unless indicated otherwise in a specific Task Order), Owner represents to Engineer that, as of the Effective Date of the Task Order, to the best of Owner’s knowledge, no Constituents of Concern, other than those disclosed in writing to Engineer, exist at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. Undisclosed Constituents of Concern. For purposes of this Paragraph 6.09, the presence at or adjacent to the Site of Constituents of Concern that were not disclosed to Engineer pursuant to Paragraph 6.09.A, in such quantities or circumstances that such Constituents of Concern may present a danger to persons or property exposed to them, will be referred to as “undisclosed” Constituents of Concern.
 - 1. The presence at the Site of materials that are necessary for the execution of the Work, or that are to be incorporated in the Work, and that are controlled and contained pursuant to industry practices, Laws and Regulations, and the requirements of this Agreement or the Construction Contract, are not undisclosed Constituents of Concern.
 - 2. Constituents of Concern that are to be located, identified, studied, removed, or remediated as part of the services under a Task Order are not undisclosed Constituents of Concern.

3. Constituents of Concern that are to be located, identified, studied, removed, or remediated as part of the services under another professional services contract for Owner, or as part of the work under a construction or remediation contract, are not undisclosed Constituents of Concern if Engineer has been informed of the general scope of such contract.
- C. If Engineer encounters or learns of an undisclosed Constituent of Concern at the Site, then Engineer shall notify (1) Owner and (2) appropriate authorities having jurisdiction if Engineer reasonably concludes that doing so is required by applicable Laws or Regulations.
 - D. It is acknowledged by both parties that for all Task Orders the Engineer's scope of services does not include any services related to undisclosed Constituents of Concern. If Engineer or any other party encounters, uncovers, or reveals an undisclosed Constituent of Concern, or if encountered, uncovered, or revealed Constituents of Concern are present in substantially greater quantities or substantially different locations than disclosed or anticipated, or if investigative or remedial action, or other professional services, are necessary or required by applicable Laws and Regulations with respect to such Constituents of Concern, then Engineer may, at its option and without liability for direct, consequential, or any other damages, suspend performance of services on the portion of the Specific Project adversely affected thereby until such portion of the Specific Project is no longer so affected; and Owner shall promptly determine whether to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such condition or take any necessary corrective action.
 - E. If the presence at a Site of undisclosed Constituents of Concern, or of Constituents of Concern in substantially greater quantities or in substantially different locations than disclosed or anticipated, adversely affects the performance of Engineer's services under a specific Task Order, then:
 1. if the adverse effects do not preclude Engineer from completing its Specific Project services in general accordance with the Task Order on unaffected or marginally affected portions of the Specific Project, Engineer may accept an equitable adjustment in its compensation or in the time of completion, or both; and the Task Order will be amended to reflect changes necessitated by the presence of such Constituents of Concern; or
 2. if the adverse effects are of such materiality to the overall performance of Engineer that it cannot complete its Specific Project services without significant changes to the scope of services, time of completion, and compensation, then Engineer may terminate the Task Order for cause on 7 days' written notice.
 - F. Owner acknowledges that Engineer is performing professional services for Owner and that Engineer is not and will not be required to become an "owner," "arranger," "operator," "generator," or "transporter" of hazardous substances, as defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, which are or may be encountered at or near the Site in connection with Engineer's activities under this Agreement.

6.10 Indemnification and Mutual Waiver

- A. Indemnification by Engineer: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Engineer shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner, and Owner's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, and employees, from losses, damages, and judgments (including

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reasonable consultants' and attorneys' fees and expenses) arising from third-party claims or actions relating to a Specific Project, provided that any such claim, action, loss, damages, or judgment is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom, but only to the extent caused by any negligent act or omission of Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, or Engineer's Subcontractors. This indemnification provision is subject to and limited by the provisions, if any, agreed to by Owner and Engineer in Exhibit I, "Limitations of Liability."

- B. Environmental Indemnification: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, Subconsultants, and Engineer's Subcontractors from all claims, costs, losses, damages, actions, and judgments (including reasonable consultants' and attorney's fees and expenses) caused by, arising out of, relating to, or resulting from a Constituent of Concern at, on, or under a Site, provided that:
 - 1. any such claim, cost, loss, damages, action, or judgment is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom, and
 - 2. nothing in this paragraph obligates Owner to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence or willful misconduct.
- C. No Defense Obligation: The indemnification commitments in this Agreement do not include a defense obligation by the indemnitor unless such obligation is expressly stated.
- D. Percentage Share of Negligence: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, a party's total liability to the other party and anyone claiming by, through, or under the other party for any cost, loss, or damages caused in part by the negligence of the party and in part by the negligence of the other party or any other negligent entity or individual, will not exceed the percentage share that the party's negligence bears to the total negligence of Owner, Engineer, and all other negligent entities and individuals.
- E. Mutual Waiver: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner and Engineer waive against each other, and the other's employees, officers, directors, members, agents, insurers, partners, and consultants, any and all claims for or entitlement to special, incidental, indirect, or consequential damages arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to this Agreement, any Task Order, or a Specific Project, from any cause or causes. Such excluded damages include but are not limited to loss of profits or revenue; loss of use or opportunity; loss of good will; cost of substitute facilities, goods, or services; and cost of capital.

6.11 Records Retention

- A. Engineer shall maintain on file in legible form, for a period of five years following completion or termination of its services under a specific Task Order, or such other period as required by Laws and Regulations, all Documents, records (including cost records), and design calculations related to Engineer's services or pertinent to Engineer's performance under the

Task Order. Upon Owner's request, Engineer shall provide a copy of any such item to Owner at cost.

6.12 Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. Notices: Any notice required under this Main Agreement or a Task Order will be in writing, and delivered: in person (by commercial courier or otherwise); by registered or certified mail; or by e-mail to the recipient, with the words "Formal Notice" or similar in the e-mail's subject line. All notices must be effective upon the date of receipt.
- B. Survival: Subject to applicable Laws and Regulations, all express representations, waivers, indemnifications, and limitations of liability included in this Main Agreement or in a Task Order will survive completion or termination for any reason.
- C. Severability: Any provision or part of the Main Agreement or any Task Order held to be void or unenforceable under any Laws or Regulations will be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions will continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Engineer.
- D. No Waiver: A party's non-enforcement of any provision will not constitute a waiver of that provision, nor will it affect the enforceability of that provision or of the remainder of this Agreement.
- E. Accrual of Claims: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, all causes of action arising under this Main Agreement and any Task Order will be deemed to have accrued, and all statutory periods of limitation will commence, no later than the date of Substantial Completion; or, if Engineer's services do not include Construction Phase services, or the Specific Project is not completed, then no later than the date of Owner's last payment to Engineer under the applicable Task Order.

ARTICLE 7—DEFINITIONS

7.01 Defined Terms

- A. Wherever used in this Agreement (as defined herein), terms (including the singular and plural forms) printed with initial capital letters have the meanings indicated in the text above, in the exhibits, or in the following definitions:
 - 1. Addenda—Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of bids which clarify, correct, or change the bidding requirements or the proposed Construction Contract Documents.
 - 2. Additional Services—The services to be performed for or furnished to Owner by Engineer in accordance with Article 2 of Exhibit A of a specific Task Order.
 - 3. Agreement—This written contract for professional services between Owner and Engineer, including the Main Agreement, all exhibits and appendices to the Main Agreement identified in Paragraphs 8.01 and 8.02, all duly executed amendments, and all Task Orders, including all exhibits and duly executed amendments to such Task Orders.
 - a. Main Agreement—See definition at Paragraph 7.01.A.28 below.
 - 4. Application for Payment—The form acceptable to Engineer which is to be used by Contractor during the course of the Work in requesting progress or final payments and

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which is to be accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Construction Contract.

5. Basic Services—The services to be performed for or furnished to Owner by Engineer in accordance with Part 1 of Exhibit A of a specific Task Order.
6. Bidding/Proposal Documents—Documents related to the selection of the Contractor, including advertisements or invitations to bid; requests for proposals; instructions to bidders or proposers, including any attachments such as lists of available Site-related documents; bid forms; bids; proposal forms; proposals; bidding requirements; and qualifications documents.
7. Change Order—A document which is signed by Contractor and Owner and authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work or an adjustment in the Construction Contract Price or the Construction Contract Times, or other revision to the Construction Contract, issued on or after the effective date of the Construction Contract.
8. Change Proposal—A written request by Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth in the Construction Contract, seeking an adjustment in Construction Contract Price or Construction Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Construction Contract Documents; challenging a set-off against payments due; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Construction Contract.
9. Constituents of Concern—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive materials, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), lead-based paint (as defined by the HUD/EPA standard), hazardous waste, and any substance, product, waste, or other material of any nature whatsoever that is or becomes listed, regulated, or addressed pursuant to Laws and Regulations regulating, relating to, or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning, any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous waste, substance, or material.
10. Construction Contract—The entire and integrated written contract between the Owner and Contractor concerning the Work.
11. Construction Contract Documents—Those items designated as “Contract Documents” in the Construction Contract, and which together comprise the Construction Contract. See also definition of “Front-End Construction Contract Documents” below.
12. Construction Contract Price—The money that Owner has agreed to pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.
13. Construction Contract Times—The number of days or the dates by which Contractor must: (a) achieve milestones, if any, in the Construction Contract; (b) achieve Substantial Completion; and (c) complete the Work.
14. Construction Cost—The cost to Owner of the construction of those portions of a Specific Project designed or specified by or for Engineer under a Task Order, including construction labor, services, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonding costs, and allowances for contingencies. Construction Cost does not include costs of services of Engineer or other design professionals and consultants; cost of land or rights-of-way, or compensation for damages to property; Owner’s costs for legal, accounting, insurance

counseling, or auditing services; interest or financing charges incurred in connection with the Project; or the cost of other services to be provided by others to Owner. Construction Cost is one of the items comprising Total Project Costs.

15. **Constructor**—Any person or entity (not including the Engineer, its employees, agents, representatives, or Subconsultants, or Engineer’s Subcontractors), performing or supporting construction activities relating to a Specific Project, including but not limited to Contractors, Subcontractors, Suppliers, Owner’s work forces, utility companies, other contractors, construction managers, design-builders, testing firms, shippers, and truckers, and the employees, agents, and representatives of any or all of them.
16. **Contractor**—The entity or individual with which Owner enters into a Construction Contract.
17. **Documents**—All documents expressly identified as deliverables in this Main Agreement or in any Task Order, whether in printed or Electronic Document form, required to be provided or furnished by Engineer to Owner. Such specifically required deliverables may include, by way of example, Drawings, Specifications, data, reports, building information models, and civil integrated management models.
18. **Drawings**—That part of the Construction Contract Documents that graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor.
19. **Effective Date of the Main Agreement**—The date indicated in this Main Agreement on which it becomes effective, but if no such date is indicated, it means the date on which the Main Agreement is signed and delivered by the last of the two parties to sign and deliver.
20. **Effective Date of the Task Order**—The date indicated in a specific Task Order on which the Task Order becomes effective, but if no such date is indicated, it means the date on which the Task Order is signed and delivered by the last of the two parties to sign and deliver.
21. **Electronic Document**—Any Specific Project-related correspondence, attachments to correspondence, data, documents, drawings, information, or graphics, including but not limited to Shop Drawings and other Submittals, that are in an electronic or digital format.
22. **Electronic Means**—Electronic mail (email), upload/download from a secure Specific Project website, or other communications methods that allow: (a) the transmission or communication of Electronic Documents; (b) the documentation of transmissions, including sending and receipt; (c) printing of the transmitted Electronic Document by the recipient; (d) the storage and archiving of the Electronic Document by sender and recipient; and (e) the use by recipient of the Electronic Document for purposes permitted by this Agreement. Electronic Means does not include the use of text messaging, or of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or similar social media services for transmission of Electronic Documents.
23. **Engineer**—The individual or entity named as such in this Main Agreement.

24. Engineer's Subcontractor—An individual, firm, vendor, or other entity having a contract with Engineer to furnish general services, equipment, or materials with respect to a Specific Project as an independent contractor.
25. Field Order—A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but does not change the Construction Contract Price or the Construction Contract Times.
26. Front-End Construction Contract Documents—Those Construction Contract Documents whose primary purpose is to establish legal and contractual terms and conditions, typically including the Owner-Contractor agreement, bonds, general conditions, and supplementary conditions. The term excludes the Drawings and Specifications, and any Construction Contract Documents delivered or issued after the effective date of the Construction Contract.
27. Laws and Regulations; Laws or Regulations—Any and all applicable laws, statutes, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and orders of any and all governmental bodies, agencies, authorities, and courts having jurisdiction.
28. Main Agreement—The portion of the Agreement containing the general terms and conditions of the contract between Owner and Engineer, applicable to all Task Orders, including but not limited to provisions regarding task order procedures, Owner responsibilities, invoice and payment procedures, standard of care, ownership of documents, suspension and termination, and definitions.
29. Owner—The individual or entity named as such in this Main Agreement and for which Engineer's services are to be performed. Unless indicated otherwise, this is the same individual or entity that will enter into any Construction Contracts concerning Specific Projects.
30. Record Drawings—Drawings depicting the completed Specific Project, or a specific portion of the completed Specific Project, prepared by Engineer and based on Contractor's record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, and written interpretations and clarifications, as delivered to Engineer and annotated by Contractor to show changes made during construction.
31. Resident Project Representative—As authorized by a specific Task Order, the representative of Engineer assigned to assist Engineer at the Site during the Construction Phase. As used herein, the term Resident Project Representative (RPR) includes any assistants or field staff of the RPR. The duties and responsibilities of the RPR (if any) will be as set forth in each Task Order.
32. Samples—Physical examples of materials, equipment, or workmanship that are representative of some portion of the Work and that establish the standards by which such portion of the Work will be judged.
33. Shop Drawings—All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, and other data or information that are specifically prepared or assembled by or for Contractor and submitted by Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work. Shop Drawings, whether approved or not, are not Drawings and are not Construction Contract Documents.

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34. Site—Lands or areas to be indicated in the Construction Contract Documents for a Specific Project as being furnished by Owner upon which the Work is to be performed, including rights-of-way and easements, and such other lands furnished by Owner which are designated for the use of Contractor.
35. Specifications—The part of the Construction Contract Documents that consists of written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards, and workmanship as applied to the Work, and certain administrative requirements and procedural matters applicable to the Work.
36. Specific Project—A specifically identified and defined total undertaking to be accomplished for Owner by engineers, contractors, and others, including planning, study, design, construction, testing, commissioning, and start-up, and of which the services to be performed or furnished by Engineer under a specific Task Order are a part.
37. Subconsultant—An individual, design firm, consultant, or other entity having a contract with Engineer to furnish professional services with respect to a Specific Project as an independent contractor.
38. Subcontractor—An individual or entity having a direct contract with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of a part of the Work.
39. Submittal—A written or graphic document, prepared by or for Contractor, which the Construction Contract Documents require Contractor to submit to Engineer, or that is indicated as a Submittal in the Schedule of Submittals accepted by Engineer. Submittals may include Shop Drawings and Samples; schedules; product data; Owner-delegated designs; sustainable design information; information on special procedures; testing plans; results of tests and evaluations, source quality-control testing and inspections, and field or Site quality-control testing and inspections; warranties and certifications; Suppliers' instructions and reports; records of delivery of spare parts and tools; operations and maintenance data; Project photographic documentation; record documents; and other such documents required by the Contract Documents. Submittals, whether or not approved or accepted by Engineer, are not Construction Contract Documents. Change Proposals, Change Orders, Claims, notices, Applications for Payment, and requests for interpretation or clarification are not Submittals.
40. Substantial Completion—The time at which the Work (or a specified part thereof) has progressed to the point where, in the opinion of Engineer, the Work (or a specified part thereof) is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents, so that the Work (or a specified part thereof) can be utilized for the purposes for which it is intended. The terms “substantially complete” and “substantially completed” as applied to all or part of the Work refer to Substantial Completion thereof.
41. Supplier—A manufacturer, fabricator, supplier, distributor, materialman, or vendor having a direct contract with Contractor or with any Subcontractor to furnish materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work by Contractor or a Subcontractor.
42. Task Order—A document executed under this Main Agreement by Owner and Engineer (including incorporated exhibits and amendments if any), stating the scope of services, Engineer's compensation, times for performance of services, and other relevant information.

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43. Total Project Costs—The total cost of planning, studying, designing, constructing, testing, commissioning, and start-up of the Specific Project, including Construction Cost and all other Specific Project labor, services, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonding costs, allowances for contingencies, and the total costs of services of Engineer or other design professionals and consultants, together with such other project-related costs that Owner furnishes for inclusion, including but not limited to cost of land, rights-of-way, compensation for damages to properties and private utilities (including relocation if not part of Construction Cost), Owner’s costs for legal, accounting, insurance counseling, and auditing services, interest and financing charges incurred in connection with the Specific Project, and the cost of other services to be provided by others to Owner.
44. Underground Facilities—All active or not-in-service underground lines, pipelines, conduits, ducts, encasements, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels, or other such facilities or systems at the Site, including but not limited to those facilities or systems that produce, transmit, distribute, or convey telephone or other communications, cable television, fiber optic transmissions, power, electricity, light, heat, gases, oil, crude oil products, liquid petroleum products, water, steam, waste, wastewater, storm water, other liquids or chemicals, or traffic or other control systems. An abandoned facility or system is not an Underground Facility.
45. Work—The entire construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be provided under the Construction Contract Documents. Work includes and is the result of performing or providing all labor, services, and documentation necessary to produce such construction; furnishing, installing, and incorporating all materials and equipment into such construction; and may include related services such as testing, start-up, and commissioning, all as required by the Construction Contract Documents.
46. Work Change Directive—A written directive to Contractor issued on or after the effective date of the Construction Contract, signed by Owner and recommended by Engineer, ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work.

B. Terminology

1. The word “day” means a calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight.

ARTICLE 8—EXHIBITS AND APPENDICES TO MAIN AGREEMENT; TASK ORDER FORM; EXHIBITS TO TASK ORDER; SPECIAL PROVISIONS

8.01 Exhibits to Main Agreement

The following exhibits are incorporated by reference and included as part of this Main Agreement, and as such are applicable to all Task Orders:

- A. Reserved.
- B. Reserved.
- C. Exhibit C, Amendment to Main Agreement (form).

- D. Reserved.
- E. Reserved.
- F. Exhibit F, Electronic Documents Protocol (EDP).
- G. Exhibit G, Insurance.
- H. Exhibit H, Dispute Resolution. Not used.
- I. Exhibit I, Limitations of Liability.

8.02 Appendices to Main Agreement

- A. The following appendices are incorporated by reference and made a part of this Main Agreement:
 - 1. Appendix 1—Reimbursable Expenses Schedule
 - 2. Appendix 2—Standard Hourly Rates Schedule

8.03 Resource Documents: Task Order Form and Exhibits to Task Order

- A. The parties acknowledge the accompanying documents, “Part 3 of 4: Task Order Form” and “Part 4 of 4: Exhibits to Task Order.” These documents are a resource for the parties’ use when a specific Task Order is issued. To the extent practical and applicable to a Specific Project, the parties will use the Task Order Form and Exhibits to Task Order as the basis for preparing the specific Task Order and its exhibits. The Task Order Form and Exhibits to Task Order are not a part of this Main Agreement or binding on the parties except to the extent they serve as the basis for a duly executed Task Order and its exhibits.

8.04 Executed Task Orders and Their Exhibits

- A. When a specific Task Order is duly executed by Owner and Engineer, the Task Order and its exhibits become an integral part of the Agreement, governed by the Main Agreement and its exhibits.

8.05 Total Agreement; Amendments to Main Agreement and Task Orders

- A. This Agreement (as defined herein) constitutes the entire contractual agreement between Owner and Engineer and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings.
- B. Amendments:
 - 1. This Main Agreement may only be amended, supplemented, modified, or canceled by a written instrument duly executed by both parties. Such written instruments should be based whenever possible on the format of Exhibit C to this Main Agreement.
 - 2. Amendments and modifications to a Task Order may be made by execution of a new, expressly related Task Order, or by execution of a written amendment to the Task Order.
 - 3. Nothing in any Task Order will be construed as revising or modifying the terms and conditions of the Main Agreement or its exhibits, except as expressly stated in such Task Order.

8.06 Designated Representatives

- A. With the execution of this Main Agreement, Engineer and Owner shall each designate a specific individual to act as representative under the Main Agreement. Such an individual must have authority to execute Task Orders, transmit instructions, receive information, and render decisions with respect to this Main Agreement, on behalf of the party that the individual represents.
- B. With the execution of each Task Order, Engineer and Owner shall each designate a specific individual to act as representative with respect to the Task Order. Such individual must have authority to transmit instructions, receive information, and render decisions with respect to the specific Task Order, on behalf of the party that the individual represents.

8.07 Engineer's Certifications

- A. Engineer certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Agreement. For the purposes of this Paragraph 8.07:
 - 1. "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the selection process or in the Agreement execution;
 - 2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the selection process or the execution of the Agreement to the detriment of Owner, or (b) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
 - 3. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the selection process or affect the execution of the Agreement.

8.08 Conflict of Interest

- A. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed to create or impose any duty on the part of Engineer that would be in conflict with Engineer's paramount obligations to the public health, safety, and welfare under the professional practice requirements governing Engineer, its Subconsultants, and all licensed professionals employed by Engineer or its Subconsultants.
- B. If during the term of this Agreement a potential or actual conflict of interest arises or is identified:
 - 1. Engineer and Owner together will make reasonable, good faith efforts to avoid or eliminate the conflict of interest; to mitigate any adverse consequences of the conflict of interest; and, if necessary and feasible, to modify this Agreement to address the conflict of interest and its consequences, such that progress under the Agreement may continue.
 - 2. Such efforts will be governed by applicable Laws and Regulations and by any pertinent Owner's policies, procedures, and requirements (including any conflict of interest resolution methodologies) provided to Engineer under Paragraph 2.04.A of this Agreement.

This Main Agreement's Effective Date is February 17, 2026.

Owner: City of Spring Hill
(name of organization)

By: [Signature]
(individual's signature)

Date: Feb 17, 2026
(date signed)

Name: Matt Fetterer
(typed or printed)

Title: Mayor
(typed or printed)

Attach evidence of authority to sign.
Attest: [Signature]
(individual's signature)

Title: City Recorder
(typed or printed)

Address for giving notices:
P.O. Box 789
Spring Hill, TN 37174

Designated Representative:
Name: Dan Allen
(typed or printed)

Title: Assistant City Administrator
(typed or printed)

Address:
P.O. Box 789
Spring Hill, TN 37174

Phone: 931-486-2252

Email: dallen@springhilltn.org

Engineer: Smith Seckman Reid, Inc.
(name of organization)

By: [Signature]
(individual's signature)

Date: 2/10/2026
(date signed)

Name: Andrew T. Johnson
(typed or printed)

Title: Principal
(typed or printed)

Attach evidence of authority to sign.
Attest: [Signature]
(individual's signature)

Title: Client Manager
(typed or printed)

Address for giving notices:
2995 Sidco Drive
Nashville, TN 37204

Designated Representative:
Name: Rob Lantz
(typed or printed)

Title: Client Manager
(typed or printed)

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Nashville, TN 37204

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