

## AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, by and between the City of Cañon City, P.O. Box 1460, Cañon City, Colorado 81215, a Colorado municipal corporation (the "City"), and \_\_\_\_\_ an independent consultant with a principal place of business at \_\_\_\_\_ ("Consultant") (collectively the "Parties").

WHEREAS, the City requires professional services; and

WHEREAS, Consultant has held itself out to the City as having the requisite expertise and experience to perform the required professional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, for the consideration hereinafter set forth, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

### **I. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

A. Consultant shall furnish all labor and materials required for the complete and prompt execution and performance of all duties, obligations, and responsibilities which are described or reasonably implied from the Scope of Services set forth in the attached **Exhibit A**.

B. A change in the Scope of Services shall not be effective unless authorized as an amendment to this Agreement. If Consultant proceeds without such written authorization, Consultant shall be deemed to have waived any claim for additional compensation, including a claim based on the theory of unjust enrichment, quantum merit or implied contract. Except as expressly provided herein, no agent, employee, or representative of the City is authorized to modify any term of this Agreement, either directly or implied by a course of action.

### **II. COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION OF WORK**

Consultant shall commence work as set forth in the Scope of Service. Except as may be changed in writing by the City, the Scope of Services shall be complete and Consultant shall furnish the City the specified deliverables and project timeline as provided in **Exhibit A**.

### **III. COMPENSATION**

A. In consideration for the completion of the Scope of Services by Consultant, the City shall pay Consultant an amount not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_. This maximum amount shall include all fees, costs and expenses incurred by Consultant, and no additional amounts shall be paid by the City for such fees, costs and expenses. The compensation paid under this Agreement is based on the Cost Proposal attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

B. Notwithstanding the maximum amount specified in Paragraph A hereof, Consultant shall be paid only for work performed. If Consultant completes the Scope of Services for a lesser amount than the maximum amount, Consultant shall be paid the lesser amount, not the maximum amount.

C. Consultant shall submit invoices to the City on a monthly basis for all services rendered during the month represented on the invoice. Such invoices shall detail, with appropriate

documentation, the task performed, the individuals working on such task, and expenses incurred. Each invoice will contain all hours and expenses from the RFC for the month. Upon receipt of an invoice, the City shall pay all undisputed amounts within thirty (30) days.

#### **IV. PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY**

A. Consultant hereby warrants that it is qualified to assume the responsibilities and render the services described herein and has all requisite corporate authority and professional licenses in good standing, required by law.

B. The work performed by Consultant shall be in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and the level of competency presently maintained by other practicing professional firms in the same or similar type of work in the applicable community. The work and services to be performed by Consultant hereunder shall be done in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

C. The City's review, approval or acceptance of, or payment for any services shall not be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this Agreement or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Agreement.

D. Because the City has hired Consultant for its professional expertise, Consultant agrees not to employ subcontractors to perform any of the work required under the Scope of Services.

#### **V. OWNERSHIP**

The materials, items, and work specified in the Scope of Services, together with any and all related documentation and materials provided or developed by Consultant shall be exclusively owned by the City. Consultant expressly acknowledges and agrees that all work performed under the Scope of Services constitutes a "work made for hire." To the extent, if at all, it shall not constitute a "work made for hire," Consultant hereby transfers, sells, and assigns to the City all of its right, title, and interest in such work.

#### **VI INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

Consultant is an independent contractor. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, all personnel assigned by Consultant to perform work under the terms of this Agreement shall be, and remain at all times, employees or agents of Consultant for all purposes. Consultant shall make no representation that it is a City employee for any purposes.

#### **VII. INSURANCE**

A. Consultant agrees to procure and maintain, at its own cost, a policy or policies of insurance sufficient to insure against all liability, claims, demands, and other obligations assumed by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement. Such insurance shall be in addition to any other insurance requirements imposed by law.

B. Consultant shall procure and maintain, and shall cause any subcontractor of Consultant to procure and maintain, the minimum insurance coverages listed below. Such coverages shall be procured and maintained with forms and insurers acceptable to the City. In the

case of any claims-made policy, the necessary retroactive dates and extended reporting periods shall be procured to maintain such continuous coverage.

1. Worker's compensation insurance to cover obligations imposed by applicable law for any employee engaged in the performance of work under this Agreement, and Employer's Liability insurance with minimum limits of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) each accident, one million dollars (\$1,000,000) disease – policy limit, and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) disease – each employee. Evidence of qualified self-insured status may be substituted for the worker's compensation requirements of this Paragraph.

2. Commercial general liability insurance with minimum combined single limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) each occurrence and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) general aggregate. The policy shall be applicable to all premises and operations. The policy shall include coverage for bodily injury, broad form property damage (including completed operations), personal injury (including coverage for contractual and employee acts), blanket contractual, products, and completed operations. The policy shall contain a severability of interests provision, and shall be endorsed to include the City and the City's officers, employees, and contractors as additional insureds. No additional insured endorsement shall contain any exclusion for bodily injury or property damage arising from completed operations.

3. Professional liability insurance with minimum limits of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) each claim and one million dollars (\$1,000,000) general aggregate.

C. Any insurance carried by the City, its officers, its employees, or its contractors shall be excess and not contributory insurance to that provided by Consultant. Consultant shall be solely responsible for any deductible losses under any policy.

D. Consultant shall provide to the City a certificate of insurance, completed by Consultant's insurance agent, as evidence that policies providing the required coverages, conditions, and minimum limits are in full force and effect. The certificate shall identify this Agreement and shall provide that the coverages afforded under the policies shall not be cancelled, terminated or materially changed until at least thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the City. The City reserves the right to request and receive a certified copy of any policy and any endorsement thereto.

E. Failure on the part of Consultant to procure or maintain the insurance required herein shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the City may immediately terminate this Agreement, or at its discretion, the City may procure or renew any such policy or any extended reporting period thereto and may pay any and all premiums in connection therewith, and all monies so paid by the City shall be repaid by Consultant to the City upon demand, or the City may offset the cost of the premiums against any monies due to Consultant from the City.

## **VIII. INDEMNIFICATION**

Consultant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City and its officers, insurers, volunteers, representative, agents, employees, heirs and assigns from and against all claims, liability, damages, losses, expenses and demands, including attorney fees, on account of injury, loss, or damage, including without limitation claims arising from bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease, death, property loss or damage, or any other loss of any kind whatsoever, which arise out of or are

in any manner connected with this Agreement if such injury, loss, or damage is caused in whole or in part by, the act, omission, error, professional error, mistake, negligence, or other fault of Consultant, any subcontractor of Consultant, or any officer, employee, representative, or agent of Consultant, or which arise out of a worker's compensation claim of any employee of Consultant or of any employee of any subcontractor of Consultant. Consultant's liability under this indemnification provision shall be to the fullest extent of, but shall not exceed, that amount represented by the degree or percentage of negligence or fault attributable to Consultant, any subcontractor of Consultant, or any officer, employee, representative, or agent of Consultant or of any subcontractor of Consultant. If Consultant is providing architectural, engineering, surveying or other design services under this Agreement, the extent of Consultant's obligation to indemnify and hold harmless the City may be determined only after Consultant's liability or fault has been determined by adjudication, alternative dispute resolution or otherwise resolved by mutual agreement between the Parties, as provided by C.R.S. § 13-50.5-102(8)(c).

**IX. TERMINATION**

This Agreement shall terminate when all the work described in the Scope of Services is completed to the City's satisfaction, or upon the City's providing Consultant with seven (7) days advance written notice, whichever occurs first. If the Agreement is terminated by the City's issuance of written notice, the City shall pay Consultant for all work authorized and completed prior to the date of termination.

**X. ILLEGAL ALIENS**

A. Certification. By entering into this Agreement, Consultant hereby certifies that, at the time of this certification, it does not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien who will perform work under the Agreement and that Consultant will participate in either the E-Verify Program administered by the United States Department of Homeland Security and Social Security Administration or the Department Program administered by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment in order to confirm the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform work under the Agreement

B. Prohibited Acts. Consultant shall not:

(1) Knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform work under this Contract; or

(2) Enter into a contract with a subcontractor that fails to certify to Consultant that the subcontractor shall not knowingly employ or contract with an illegal alien to perform work under this Contract.

C. Verification.

(1) If Consultant has employees, Consultant has confirmed the employment eligibility of all employees who are newly hired for employment to perform work under the Agreement through participation in either the E-Verify Program or the Department Program.

(2) Consultant shall not use the E-Verify Program or Department Program procedures to undertake pre-employment screening of job applicants while this Contract is being performed.

(3) If Consultant obtains actual knowledge that a subcontractor performing work under this Contract knowingly employs or contracts with an illegal alien who is performing work under the Agreement, Consultant shall:

1. Notify the subcontractor and the City within three (3) days that Consultant has actual knowledge that the subcontractor is employing or contracting with an illegal alien who is performing work under the Agreement; and

2. Terminate the subcontract with the subcontractor if within three (3) days of receiving the notice required pursuant to subsection (1) hereof, the subcontractor does not stop employing or contracting with the illegal alien who is performing work under the Agreement; except that Consultant shall not terminate the contract with the subcontractor if during such three (3) days the subcontractor provides information to establish that the subcontractor has not knowingly employed or contracted with an illegal alien who is performing work under the Agreement.

D. Duty to Comply with Investigations. Consultant shall comply with any reasonable request by the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment made in the course of an investigation conducted pursuant to C.R.S. § 8-17.5-102(5)(a) to ensure that Consultant is complying with the terms of this Contract.

E. If Consultant does not have employees, Consultant shall sign the “No Employee Affidavit” attached hereto.

F. If Consultant wishes to verify the lawful presence of newly hired employees who perform work under the Agreement via the Department Program, Consultant shall sign the “Department Program Affidavit” attached hereto.

## **XI. MISCELLANEOUS**

A. Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Colorado, and any legal action concerning the provisions hereof shall be brought in Fremont County, Colorado.

B. No Waiver. Delays in enforcement or the waiver of any one or more defaults or breaches of this Agreement by the City shall not constitute a waiver of any of the other terms or obligation of this Agreement.

C. Integration. This Agreement and any attached exhibits constitute the entire Agreement between Consultant and the City, superseding all prior oral or written communications.

D. Third Parties. There are no intended third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

E. Notice. Any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing, and shall be deemed sufficient when directly presented or sent pre-paid, first class United States Mail to the party at the address set forth on the first page of this Agreement.

F. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

G. Modification. This Agreement may only be modified upon written agreement of the Parties.

H. Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations of the Parties hereto, shall be assigned by either party without the written consent of the other.

I. Governmental Immunity. The City, its officers, and its employees, are relying on, and do not waive or intend to waive by any provision of this Agreement, the monetary limitations (presently three hundred fifty thousand (\$350,000 per person and nine hundred ninety thousand (\$990,000) per occurrence) or any other rights, immunities, and protections provided by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, *et seq.*, as amended, or otherwise available to the City and its officers or employees.

J. Rights and Remedies. The rights and remedies of the City under this Agreement are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law. The expiration of this Agreement shall in no way limit the City's legal or equitable remedies, or the period in which such remedies may be asserted, for work negligently or defectively performed.

K. Subject to Annual Appropriations. Consistent with Article X, § 20 of the Colorado Constitution, any financial obligations of the City not performed during the current fiscal year are subject to annual appropriation, and thus any obligations of the City hereunder shall extend only to monies currently appropriated and shall not constitute a mandatory charge, requirement or liability beyond the current fiscal year.



**EXHIBIT A**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES**



