

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **CONTRACTOR'S INSURANCE AND BONDING REQUIREMENTS**

#### **A. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Contractor shall purchase, maintain, and keep in full force and effect, and shall require its Subcontractors to purchase, maintain and keep in full force and effect at all times during the term of this Agreement such lines of insurance coverage with policy limits set forth in this **Exhibit A**. Each policy shall be written with limits not less than those set forth this **Exhibit A**. Contractor will comply and will require its Subcontractors comply fully with all requirements of this **Exhibit A** prior to the commencement of any Work for the Project. "Owner," "Indemnatee," "Indemnitees," "Contractor," and "Subcontractor" shall each have the meanings set forth in the Agreement.

**1. Required Coverages.** Contractor will obtain the following policies with the policy limits as indicated and shall require its Subcontractors to provide the policies with limits as indicated below:

Insurance Policy	Contractor	Subcontractors
<b>Worker's Compensation</b>	Statutory	Statutory
<b>Employer's Liability Insurance:</b>		
Bodily Injury by Accident (accident)	\$500,00	\$500,000
Bodily Injury by Disease (policy limit)	\$500,000	\$500,000
Bodily Injury by Disease (each employee)	\$500,000	\$500,000
<b>Commercial General Liability</b>	\$1,000,000 each occurrence \$2,000,000 annual general aggregate \$2,000,000 products-completed operations aggregate	\$1,000,000 each occurrence \$2,000,000 annual general aggregate \$2,000,000 products-completed operations aggregate
<b>Automobile Liability*</b>	\$1,000,000 each accident	\$1,000,000 each accident
*coverage must include loading and unloading hazards		
<b>Umbrella/Excess Liability</b>	\$5,000,000 each occurrence \$5,000,000 aggregate	\$2,000,000 each occurrence \$2,000,000 aggregate
<b>Pollution Liability</b>	\$500,000 each occurrence \$750,000 aggregate	\$500,000 each occurrence \$750,000 aggregate
<b>Professional Liability</b>	\$500,000 each claim \$500,000 annual aggregate	\$500,000 each claim \$500,000 annual aggregate
<b>Builder's Risk (including Installation Floater)</b>	100% of GMP on a replacement cost basis	



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## General Conditions of the Contract for Construction

### for the following PROJECT:

*(Name and location or address)*

MRI Phase 1 of 2  
Main Campus, MRI Room 1  
1500 S Main St.  
Fort Worth, TX 76104

### THE OWNER:

*(Name, legal status and address)*

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*(Name, legal status and address)*

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## **ARTICLE 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **§ 1.1 Basic Definitions**

#### **§ 1.1.1 The Contract Documents**

The Contract Documents are enumerated in the Agreement between the Owner and Contractor (hereinafter the Agreement) and consist of the Agreement, Conditions of the Contract (General, Supplementary and other Conditions), Drawings, Specifications, Addenda issued prior to execution of the Contract, other documents listed in the Agreement, and Modifications issued after execution of the Contract. A Modification is (1) a written amendment to the Contract signed by both parties, (2) a Change Order, (3) a Construction Change Directive, or (4) a written order for a minor change in the Work issued by the Architect. Unless specifically enumerated in the Agreement, the Contract Documents do not include the advertisement or invitation to bid, Instructions to Bidders, sample forms, other information furnished by the Owner in anticipation of receiving bids or proposals, the Contractor's bid or proposal, or portions of Addenda relating to bidding or proposal requirements.

#### **§ 1.1.2 The Contract**

The Contract Documents form the Contract for Construction. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended or modified only by a Modification. The Contract Documents shall not be construed to create a contractual relationship of any kind (1) between the Contractor and the Architect or the Architect's consultants, (2) between the Owner and a Subcontractor or a Sub-subcontractor, (3) between the Owner and the Architect or the Architect's consultants, or (4) between any persons or entities other than the Owner and the Contractor. The Architect shall, however, be entitled to performance and enforcement of obligations under the Contract intended to facilitate performance of the Architect's duties.

#### **§ 1.1.3 The Work**

The term "Work" means the construction and services required by the Contract Documents, whether completed or partially completed, and includes all other labor, materials, equipment, and services provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations. The Work may constitute the whole or a part of the Project.

#### **§ 1.1.4 The Project**

The Project is the total construction of which the Work performed under the Contract Documents may be the whole or a part and which may include construction by the Owner and by Separate Contractors.

#### **§ 1.1.5 The Drawings**

The Drawings are the graphic and pictorial portions of the Contract Documents showing the design, location and dimensions of the Work, generally including plans, elevations, sections, details, schedules, and diagrams.

#### **§ 1.1.6 The Specifications**

The Specifications are that portion of the Contract Documents consisting of the written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards and workmanship for the Work, and performance of related services.

#### **§ 1.1.7 Instruments of Service**

Instruments of Service are representations, in any medium of expression now known or later developed, of the tangible and intangible creative work performed by the Architect and the Architect's consultants under their respective professional services agreements. Instruments of Service may include, without limitation, studies, surveys, models, sketches, drawings, specifications, and other similar materials.

#### **§ 1.1.8 Initial Decision Maker**

The Initial Decision Maker is the person identified in the Agreement to render initial decisions on Claims in accordance with Section 15.2 and certify termination of the Agreement under Section 14.2.2. The Initial Decision Maker shall not be liable for results of interpretations or decisions rendered in good faith.

### **§ 1.2 Correlation and Intent of the Contract Documents**

**§ 1.2.1** The intent of the Contract Documents is to include all items necessary for the proper execution and completion of the Work by the Contractor. The Contract Documents are complementary, and what is required by one shall be as binding as if required by all; performance by the Contractor shall be required only to the extent consistent with the Contract Documents and reasonably inferable from them as being necessary to produce the indicated results.

**§ 1.2.1.1** The invalidity of any provision of the Contract Documents shall not invalidate the Contract or its remaining provisions. If it is determined that any provision of the Contract Documents violates any law, or is otherwise invalid or unenforceable, then that provision shall be revised to the extent necessary to make that provision legal and enforceable. In such case the Contract Documents shall be construed, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to give effect to the parties' intentions and purposes in executing the Contract.

**§ 1.2.2** Organization of the Specifications into divisions, sections and articles, and arrangement of Drawings shall not control the Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or in establishing the extent of Work to be performed by any trade.

**§ 1.2.3** Unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, words that have well-known technical or construction industry meanings are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meanings.

### **§ 1.3 Capitalization**

Terms capitalized in these General Conditions include those that are (1) specifically defined, (2) the titles of numbered articles, or (3) the titles of other documents published by the American Institute of Architects.

### **§ 1.4 Interpretation**

In the interest of brevity the Contract Documents frequently omit modifying words such as "all" and "any" and articles such as "the" and "an," but the fact that a modifier or an article is absent from one statement and appears in another is not intended to affect the interpretation of either statement.

### **§ 1.5 Ownership and Use of Drawings, Specifications, and Other Instruments of Service**

**§ 1.5.1** The Architect and the Architect's consultants shall be deemed the authors and owners of their respective Instruments of Service, including the Drawings and Specifications, and retain all common law, statutory, and other reserved rights in their Instruments of Service, including copyrights. The Contractor, Subcontractors, Sub-subcontractors, and suppliers shall not own or claim a copyright in the Instruments of Service. Submittal or distribution to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the Project is not to be construed as publication in derogation of the Architect's or Architect's consultants' reserved rights.

**§ 1.5.2** The Contractor, Subcontractors, Sub-subcontractors, and suppliers are authorized to use and reproduce the Instruments of Service provided to them, subject to any protocols established pursuant to Sections 1.7 and 1.8, solely and exclusively for execution of the Work. All copies made under this authorization shall bear the copyright notice, if any, shown on the Instruments of Service. The Contractor, Subcontractors, Sub-subcontractors, and suppliers may not use the Instruments of Service on other projects or for additions to the Project outside the scope of the Work without the specific written consent of the Owner, Architect, and the Architect's consultants.

### **§ 1.6 Notice**

**§ 1.6.1** Except as otherwise provided in Section 1.6.2, where the Contract Documents require one party to notify or give notice to the other party, such notice shall be provided in writing to the designated representative of the party to whom the notice is addressed and shall be deemed to have been duly served if delivered in person, by mail, by courier, or by electronic transmission if a method for electronic transmission is set forth in the Agreement.

**§ 1.6.2** Notice of Claims as provided in Section 15.1.3 shall be provided in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly served only if delivered to the designated representative of the party to whom the notice is addressed by certified or registered mail, or by courier providing proof of delivery.

### **§ 1.7 Digital Data Use and Transmission**

The parties shall agree upon protocols governing the transmission and use of Instruments of Service or any other information or documentation in digital form. The parties will use AIA Document E203™–2013, Building Information Modeling and Digital Data Exhibit, to establish the protocols for the development, use, transmission, and exchange of digital data.

### **§ 1.8 Building Information Models Use and Reliance**

Any use of, or reliance on, all or a portion of a building information model without agreement to protocols governing the use of, and reliance on, the information contained in the model and without having those protocols set forth in AIA Document E203™–2013, Building Information Modeling and Digital Data Exhibit, and the requisite AIA Document

G202™–2013, Project Building Information Modeling Protocol Form, shall be at the using or relying party's sole risk and without liability to the other party and its contractors or consultants, the authors of, or contributors to, the building information model, and each of their agents and employees.

## **ARTICLE 2 OWNER**

### **§ 2.1 General**

**§ 2.1.1** The Owner is the Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS Health Network, a political subdivision of the State of Texas and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number. The Owner shall designate in writing a representative who shall have express authority to bind the Owner with respect to all matters requiring the Owner's approval or authorization. Except as otherwise provided in Section 4.2.1, the Architect does not have such authority. The term "Owner" means the Owner or the Owner's authorized representative specified in the Contract Documents or otherwise specifically and expressly designated in writing by the Owner as the Owner's project representative for this Project.

**§ 2.1.2** The Owner shall furnish to the Contractor a correct statement of the record legal title to the property on which the Project is located, usually referred to as the site, and the Owner's interest therein. Because the Owner is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, there can be no liens for labor, services or materials in connection with the Project and the claims for such labor, services and materials are governed by the payment and performance bond provisions of Texas Government Code Section 2253 (formerly known as and for the purposes of this Contract defined as the "McGregor Act"). The Owner will provide the information required by Texas Gov't Code Section 2253.026 to persons and entities submitting the proper requests for such information.

### **§ 2.2 Evidence of the Owner's Financial Arrangements**

*(Paragraph deleted)*

**§ 2.2.1** The Owner shall have no obligation to furnish, prior to or after commencement of the Work, to the Contractor any evidence regarding the Owner's financial arrangements and/or resources to fulfill the Owner's obligations under the Contract.

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**§ 2.2.3** Left blank intentionally.

**§ 2.2.4** Left blank intentionally.

### **§ 2.3 Information and Services Required of the Owner**

**§ 2.3.1** Except for permits and fees that are the responsibility of the Contractor under the Contract Documents, including those required under Section 3.7.1, the Owner shall secure and pay for necessary approvals, easements, assessments and charges required for construction, use or occupancy of permanent structures or for permanent changes in existing facilities.

**§ 2.3.2** The person or entity identified as the Architect in the Agreement (referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number) shall be a person or entity retained or employed by Owner who is lawfully authorized to practice architecture, in the jurisdiction where the Project is located.

**§ 2.3.3** If the employment of the Architect terminates, the Owner shall retain or employ a successor to whom the Contractor has no reasonable objection and whose status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the Architect.

**§ 2.3.4** The Owner shall furnish surveys describing physical characteristics, legal limitations and utility locations for the site of the Project. The Contractor shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy of information furnished by the Owner but shall exercise proper precautions relating to the safe performance of the Work. The furnishing of any such surveys or reports by Owner shall not be construed or applied to relieve Contractor of its obligations and duties under this Contract in general or in particular with respect to Sections 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 of these General Conditions.

*(Paragraph deleted)*

**§ 2.3.5** The Owner shall furnish information or services required of the Owner by the Contract Documents with reasonable promptness. The Owner shall also furnish any other information or services under the Owner's control and

relevant to the Contractor's performance of the Work with reasonable promptness after receiving the Contractor's written request for such information or services.

**§ 2.3.6** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Owner shall furnish to the Contractor one copy of the Contract Documents for purposes of making reproductions pursuant to Section 1.5.2.

#### **§ 2.4 Owner's Right to Stop the Work**

If the Contractor fails to correct Work that is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents as required by Section 12.2 and such Work remains uncorrected five (5) working days after written notice thereof from Owner, or repeatedly fails to carry out Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Owner may issue a written order to the Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated, whereupon the Contractor shall stop the Work as so directed in writing by Owner; however, the right of the Owner to stop the Work shall not give rise to a duty on the part of the Owner to exercise this right for the benefit of the Contractor or any other person or entity, except to the extent required by Section 6.1.3. For the purposes of this Contract, the term "working day" shall mean any calendar day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or official holiday, as observed by the State of Texas for its employees.

#### **§ 2.5 Owner's Right to Carry Out the Work**

If the Contractor defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents and fails within a five (5) working day period after receipt of notice from the Owner to commence and continue correction of such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, the Owner may, without prejudice to other remedies the Owner may have, correct such default or neglect. Such action by the Owner and amounts charged to the Contractor are both subject to prior approval of the Architect and the Architect may, pursuant to Section 9.5.1, withhold or nullify a Certificate for Payment in whole or in part, to the extent reasonably necessary to reimburse the Owner for the reasonable cost of correcting such deficiencies, including Owner's expenses and compensation for the Architect's additional services made necessary by such default, neglect, or failure. If current and future payments are not sufficient to cover such amounts, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. If the Contractor disagrees with the actions of the Owner or the Architect, or the amounts claimed as costs to the Owner, the Contractor may file a Claim pursuant to Article 15.

### **ARTICLE 3 CONTRACTOR**

#### **§ 3.1 General**

**§ 3.1.1** The Contractor is the person or entity identified as such in the Agreement and is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number. The Contractor shall be lawfully licensed, if required in the jurisdiction where the Project is located. The Contractor shall designate in writing a representative who shall have express authority to bind the Contractor with respect to all matters under this Contract. The term "Contractor" means the Contractor or the Contractor's authorized representative.

**§ 3.1.2** The Contractor shall perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**§ 3.1.3** The Contractor shall not be relieved of its obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents either by activities or duties of the Architect in the Architect's administration of the Contract, or by tests, inspections or approvals required or performed by persons or entities other than the Contractor.

#### **§ 3.2 Review of Contract Documents and Field Conditions by Contractor**

**§ 3.2.1** Execution of the Contract by the Contractor is a representation that the Contractor has visited the site, become generally familiar with local conditions under which the Work is to be performed, and correlated personal observations with requirements of the Contract Documents.

**§ 3.2.2** Because the Contract Documents are complementary, the Contractor shall, before starting each portion of the Work, carefully study and compare the various Contract Documents relative to that portion of the Work, as well as the information furnished by the Owner pursuant to Section 2.3.4, shall take field measurements of any existing conditions related to that portion of the Work, and shall observe any conditions at the site affecting it. These obligations are for the purpose of facilitating coordination and construction by the Contractor and are not for the purpose of discovering errors, omissions, or inconsistencies in the Contract Documents; however, the Contractor shall promptly report to the Architect any errors, inconsistencies or omissions discovered by or made known to the Contractor as a request for information in such form as the Architect may require. It is recognized that the Contractor's

review is made in the Contractor's capacity as a contractor and not as a licensed design professional, unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract Documents. Contractor further acknowledges and agrees that it has had sufficient opportunity to visit and examine the site and all physical and other conditions affecting the Work and is fully familiar with all of the observable conditions affecting the same. In connection therewith, Contractor specifically warrants to Owner that it has, by careful examination of the site, the Contract Documents, the soil borings and any data provided by Owner or otherwise in connection with the Contract Documents, satisfied itself as to : (1) the nature, location, and character of the Project and the site, including without limitation, the surface and subsurface conditions and all structures and obstructions, both natural and man-made, and all surface and subsurface water conditions of the site and the surrounding area; (2) the nature, location and character of the general area in which the Project is located, including without limitation, its climatic conditions, available labor supply and labor costs, and available equipment supply and equipment costs; and (3) the quality and quantity of all materials, supplies, tools, equipment, labor and professional services necessary to complete the Work in a manner and within the cost and time required by the Contract Documents. Except as limited by Texas Utilities Code Title 5, Chapter 251 (Call TESS), the Contractor shall be solely responsible for locating, prior to performing any Work, all active public utility lines, telephone company cables and lines, sewer lines, water lines, gas lines, and electrical lines. The Owner will reasonably assist (by providing information within the reasonable access and existing possession of the Owner) the Contractor in locating private utility lines within the Project area. The Contractor shall perform Work in such a manner as to avoid damaging any such lines, cables, pipes and pipelines.

**§ 3.2.3** The Contractor is not required to ascertain that the Contract Documents are in accordance with applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, or lawful orders of public authorities, but the Contractor shall promptly report to the Architect any nonconformity discovered by or made known to the Contractor as a request for information in such form as the Architect may require.

**§ 3.2.4** If the Contractor believes that additional cost or time is involved because of clarifications or instructions the Architect issues in response to the Contractor's notices or requests for information pursuant to Sections 3.2.2 or 3.2.3, the Contractor shall submit Claims as provided in Article 15. If the Contractor fails to perform the obligations of Sections 3.2.2 or 3.2.3, the Contractor shall pay such costs and damages to the Owner, subject to Section 15.1.7, as would have been avoided if the Contractor had performed such obligations. If the Contractor performs those obligations, the Contractor shall not be liable to the Owner or Architect for damages resulting from errors, inconsistencies or omissions in the Contract Documents, for differences between field measurements or conditions and the Contract Documents, or for nonconformities of the Contract Documents to applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities.

### **§ 3.3 Supervision and Construction Procedures**

**§ 3.3.1** The Contractor shall supervise and direct the Work, using the Contractor's best skill and attention. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for, and have control over, construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures, and for coordinating all portions of the Work under the Contract, unless the Contract Documents give other specific instructions concerning these matters. If the Contract Documents give specific instructions concerning construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures, the Contractor shall evaluate the jobsite safety thereof and shall be solely responsible for the jobsite safety of such means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures. If the Contractor determines that such means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures may not be safe, the Contractor shall give timely notice to the Owner and Architect, and shall propose alternative means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures. The Architect shall evaluate the proposed alternative solely for conformance with the design intent for the completed construction. Unless the Architect objects to the Contractor's proposed alternative, the Contractor shall perform the Work using its alternative means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures.

**§ 3.3.2** The Contractor shall be responsible to the Owner for acts and omissions of the Contractor's employees, Subcontractors and their agents and employees, and other persons or entities performing portions of the Work for, or on behalf of, the Contractor or any of its Subcontractors.

**§ 3.3.3** The Contractor shall be responsible for inspection of portions of Work already performed to determine that such portions are in proper condition to receive subsequent Work.

### § 3.4 Labor and Materials

§ 3.4.1 Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall provide and pay for labor, materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery, water, heat, utilities, transportation, and other facilities and services necessary for proper execution and completion of the Work, whether temporary or permanent and whether or not incorporated or to be incorporated in the Work.

§ 3.4.2 Except in the case of minor changes in the Work approved by the Architect in accordance with Section 3.12.8 or ordered by the Architect in accordance with Section 7.4, the Contractor may make substitutions only with the consent of the Owner, after evaluation by the Architect and in accordance with a Change Order or Construction Change Directive.

§ 3.4.3 The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Work. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not properly skilled in tasks assigned to them.

§ 3.4.4 The Contractor shall comply with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to laws concerning labor, environment, equal employment opportunity, safety and prevailing wage rates (collectively, the "Applicable Laws"). The Contractor shall fully indemnify and hold the Owner and the Project harmless of and from all costs and damages arising out of any claim or cause of action against it due to Contractor's failure to observe and comply with such Applicable Laws.

§ 3.4.5 After the Owner, with the assistance of the Architect, will consider, but will not be required to accept, a formal request from Contractor for the substitution of materials and/or equipment in place of those specified in the Instruments of Service, In submitting any request for such substitution of materials and/or equipment, the Contractor:

- .1 Warrants and represents to the Owner that the Contractor has personally investigated the proposed substitute materials or equipment and has determined that all of it is equal or superior in all material respects to that specified for the purposes intended by the Instruments of Service;
- .2 Warrants and represents to the Owner that the Contractor and, if applicable, the manufacturer will provide the same warranty for the substitution that the Contractor (and such manufacturer) would for the specified materials and equipment;
- .3 Certifies to the Owner that the cost data presented in connection with the substitution request is accurate and complete and includes all related costs and materials under this Contract required to purchase and incorporate the substitute products into the Work for the intended purpose, other than the costs and fees required to obtain the Architect's modification of the Instruments of Service to incorporate the substitute products;
- .4 Waives all claims for additional time and costs related to the substitution products not included in the submittal documents provided by Contractor prior to approval of the substitution products, to the extent subsequently encountered or incurred during the acquisition and installation of any approved substitute products after the approval thereof by Owner; and
- .5 Will order, acquire and coordinate the installation of any accepted substitute materials and/or equipment with the suppliers, subcontractors and laborers on the Project in all respects.

### § 3.5 Warranty

§ 3.5.1 The Contractor warrants to the Owner and Architect that materials and equipment furnished under the Contract will be of good quality and new unless the Contract Documents require or permit otherwise. The Contractor further warrants that the Work will conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents and will be free from defects, except for those inherent in the quality of the Work the Contract Documents require or permit. Work, materials, or equipment not conforming to these requirements may be considered defective. The Contractor's warranty excludes remedy for damage or defect caused by abuse, alterations to the Work not executed by the Contractor, improper or insufficient maintenance, improper operation, or normal wear and tear and normal usage. If required by the Architect, the Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of materials and equipment.

§ 3.5.2 All material, equipment, or other special warranties required by the Contract Documents shall be issued in the name of the Owner, or shall be transferable to the Owner, and shall commence in accordance with Section 9.8.4.

### § 3.6 Taxes

The Owner qualifies for exemption from State and local sales taxes pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Limited



Sales, Excise and Use Act (Chapter 151 of the Texas Tax Code). The Contractor shall claim and take advantage of such exemption from payment of all applicable State of Texas and local sales taxes in compliance with all applicable provisions of Chapter 151 of the Texas Tax Code and by complying with all applicable procedures as may be prescribed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts in connection with the claim of such exemption. To the extent that the Contractor shall fail to claim such exemption and shall pay any sales, consumer, use and similar taxes for the Work, the cost thereof shall not be included in any cost or fee which the Owner is otherwise obligated to pay or reimburse Contractor under the terms and provisions of the Contract.

### **§ 3.7 Permits, Fees, Notices and Compliance with Laws**

**§ 3.7.1** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall secure and pay for the building permit as well as for other permits, fees, licenses, and inspections by government agencies necessary for proper execution and completion of the Work that are customarily secured after execution of the Contract and legally required at the time bids are received or negotiations concluded.

**§ 3.7.2** The Contractor shall comply with and give notices required by applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities applicable to performance of the Work.

**§ 3.7.3** If the Contractor performs Work knowing it to be contrary to applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, or lawful orders of public authorities, the Contractor shall assume appropriate responsibility for such Work and shall bear the costs attributable to correction.

### **§ 3.7.4 Concealed or Unknown Conditions**

If the Contractor encounters conditions at the site that are (1) subsurface or otherwise concealed physical conditions that differ materially from those indicated in the Contract Documents or (2) unknown physical conditions of an unusual nature that differ materially from those ordinarily found to exist and generally recognized as inherent in construction activities of the character provided for in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall promptly provide notice to the Owner and the Architect before conditions are disturbed and in no event later than 14 days after first observance of the conditions. The Architect will promptly investigate such conditions and, if the Architect determines that they differ materially and cause an increase or decrease in the Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of any part of the Work, will recommend that an equitable adjustment be made in the Contract Sum or Contract Time, or both. If the Architect determines that the conditions at the site are not materially different from those indicated in the Contract Documents and that no change in the terms of the Contract is justified, the Architect shall promptly notify the Owner and Contractor, stating the reasons. If either party disputes the Architect's determination or recommendation, that party may submit a Claim as provided in Article 15.

**§ 3.7.5** If, in the course of the Work, the Contractor encounters human remains or recognizes the existence of burial markers, archaeological sites or wetlands not indicated in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall immediately suspend any operations that would affect them and shall notify the Owner and Architect. Upon receipt of such notice, the Owner shall promptly take any action necessary to obtain governmental authorization required to resume the operations. The Contractor shall continue to suspend such operations until otherwise instructed by the Owner but shall continue with all other operations that do not affect those remains or features. Requests for adjustments in the Contract Sum and Contract Time arising from the existence of such remains or features may be made as provided in Article 15.

### **§ 3.8 Allowances**

**§ 3.8.1** The Contractor shall include in the Contract Sum all allowances stated in the Contract Documents. Items covered by allowances shall be supplied for such amounts and by such persons or entities as the Owner may direct, but the Contractor shall not be required to employ persons or entities to whom the Contractor has reasonable objection.

**§ 3.8.2** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents,

- .1 allowances shall cover the cost to the Contractor of materials and equipment delivered at the site and all required taxes, less applicable trade discounts;
- .2 Contractor's costs for unloading and handling at the site, labor, installation costs, overhead, profit, and other expenses contemplated for stated allowance amounts shall be included in the Contract Sum but not in the allowances; and
- .3 whenever costs are more than or less than allowances, the Contract Sum shall be adjusted accordingly by Change Order. The amount of the Change Order shall reflect (1) the difference between actual costs and the allowances under Section 3.8.2.1 and (2) changes in Contractor's costs under Section 3.8.2.2.

§ 3.8.3 Materials and equipment under an allowance shall be selected by the Owner with reasonable promptness.

### § 3.9 Superintendent

§ 3.9.1 The Contractor shall employ a competent superintendent and necessary assistants who shall be in attendance at the Project site during performance of the Work. The superintendent shall represent the Contractor, and communications given to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the Contractor.

§ 3.9.2 The Contractor, as soon as practicable after award of the Contract, shall notify the Owner and Architect of the name and qualifications of a proposed superintendent. Within 14 days of receipt of the information, the Architect may notify the Contractor, stating whether the Owner or the Architect (1) has reasonable objection to the proposed superintendent or (2) requires additional time for review. Failure of the Architect to provide notice within the 14-day period shall constitute notice of no reasonable objection.

§ 3.9.3 The Contractor shall not employ a proposed superintendent to whom the Owner or Architect has made reasonable and timely objection. The Contractor shall not change the superintendent without the Owner's consent, which shall not unreasonably be withheld or delayed.

### § 3.10 Contractor's Construction and Submittal Schedules

§ 3.10.1 The Contractor, promptly after being awarded the Contract, shall submit for the Owner's and Architect's information a Contractor's construction schedule for the Work. The schedule shall contain detail appropriate for the Project, including (1) the date of commencement of the Work, interim schedule milestone dates, and the date of Substantial Completion; (2) an apportionment of the Work by construction activity; and (3) the time required for completion of each portion of the Work. The schedule shall provide for the orderly progression of the Work to completion and shall not exceed time limits current under the Contract Documents. The schedule shall be revised at appropriate intervals as required by the conditions of the Work and Project.

§ 3.10.2 The Contractor, promptly after being awarded the Contract and thereafter as necessary to maintain a current submittal schedule, shall submit a submittal schedule for the Architect's approval. The Architect's approval shall not be unreasonably delayed or withheld. The submittal schedule shall (1) be coordinated with the Contractor's construction schedule, and (2) allow the Architect reasonable time to review submittals. If the Contractor fails to submit a submittal schedule, or fails to provide submittals in accordance with the approved submittal schedule, the Contractor shall not be entitled to any increase in Contract Sum or extension of Contract Time based on the time required for review of submittals.

§ 3.10.3 The Contractor shall perform the Work in general accordance with the most recent schedules submitted to the Owner and Architect.

### § 3.11 Documents and Samples at the Site

The Contractor shall make available, at the Project site, the Contract Documents, including Change Orders, Construction Change Directives, and other Modifications, in good order and marked currently to indicate field changes and selections made during construction, and the approved Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar required submittals. These shall be in electronic form or paper copy, available to the Architect and Owner, and delivered to the Architect for submittal to the Owner upon completion of the Work as a record of the Work as constructed.

### § 3.12 Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples

§ 3.12.1 Shop Drawings are drawings, diagrams, schedules, and other data specially prepared for the Work by the Contractor or a Subcontractor, Sub-subcontractor, manufacturer, supplier, or distributor to illustrate some portion of the Work.

§ 3.12.2 Product Data are illustrations, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, brochures, diagrams, and other information furnished by the Contractor to illustrate materials or equipment for some portion of the Work.

§ 3.12.3 Samples are physical examples that illustrate materials, equipment, or workmanship, and establish standards by which the Work will be judged.

§ 3.12.4 Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals are not Contract Documents. Their purpose is to demonstrate how the Contractor proposes to conform to the information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents for those portions of the Work for which the Contract Documents require submittals. Review by the Architect is subject to the limitations of Section 4.2.7. Informational submittals upon which the Architect is not expected to take responsive action may be so identified in the Contract Documents. Submittals that are not required by the Contract Documents may be returned by the Architect without action.

§ 3.12.5 The Contractor shall review for compliance with the Contract Documents, approve, and submit to the Architect, Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals required by the Contract Documents, in accordance with the submittal schedule approved by the Architect or, in the absence of an approved submittal schedule, with reasonable promptness and in such sequence as to cause no delay in the Work or in the activities of the Owner or of Separate Contractors.

§ 3.12.6 By submitting Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, and similar submittals, the Contractor represents to the Owner and Architect that the Contractor has (1) reviewed and approved them, (2) determined and verified materials, field measurements and field construction criteria related thereto, or will do so, and (3) checked and coordinated the information contained within such submittals with the requirements of the Work and of the Contract Documents.

§ 3.12.7 The Contractor shall perform no portion of the Work for which the Contract Documents require submittal and review of Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals, until the respective submittal has been approved by the Architect.

§ 3.12.8 The Work shall be in accordance with approved submittals except that the Contractor shall not be relieved of responsibility for deviations from the requirements of the Contract Documents by the Architect's approval of Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals, unless the Contractor has specifically notified the Architect of such deviation at the time of submittal and (1) the Architect has given written approval to the specific deviation as a minor change in the Work, or (2) a Change Order or Construction Change Directive has been issued authorizing the deviation. The Contractor shall not be relieved of responsibility for errors or omissions in Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals, by the Architect's approval thereof.

§ 3.12.9 The Contractor shall direct specific attention, in writing or on resubmitted Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples, or similar submittals, to revisions other than those requested by the Architect on previous submittals. In the absence of such notice, the Architect's approval of a resubmission shall not apply to such revisions.

§ 3.12.10 The Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services that constitute the practice of architecture or engineering unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents for a portion of the Work or unless the Contractor needs to provide such services in order to carry out the Contractor's responsibilities for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures. The Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable law.

§ 3.12.10.1 If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials, or equipment are specifically required of the Contractor by the Contract Documents, the Owner and the Architect will specify all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. The Contractor shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy and accuracy of the performance and design criteria provided in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall cause such services or certifications to be provided by an appropriately licensed design professional, whose signature and seal shall appear on all drawings, calculations, specifications, certifications, Shop Drawings, and other submittals prepared by such professional. Shop Drawings, and other submittals related to the Work, designed or certified by such professional, if prepared by others, shall bear such professional's written approval when submitted to the Architect. The Owner and the Architect shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy accuracy and completeness of the services, certifications, and approvals performed or provided by such design professionals, provided the Owner and Architect have specified to the Contractor the performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. Pursuant to this Section 3.12.10, the Architect will review and approve or take other appropriate action on submittals only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents.

§ 3.12.10.2 If the Contract Documents require the Contractor's design professional to certify that the Work has been performed in accordance with the design criteria, the Contractor shall furnish such certifications to the Architect at the time and in the form specified by the Architect.

### § 3.13 Use of Site

The Contractor shall confine operations at the site to areas permitted by applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, lawful orders of public authorities, and the Contract Documents and shall not unreasonably encumber the site with materials or equipment.

### § 3.14 Cutting and Patching

§ 3.14.1 The Contractor shall be responsible for cutting, fitting, or patching required to complete the Work or to make its parts fit together properly. All areas requiring cutting, fitting, or patching shall be restored to the condition existing prior to the cutting, fitting, or patching, unless otherwise required by the Contract Documents.

§ 3.14.2 The Contractor shall not damage or endanger a portion of the Work or fully or partially completed construction of the Owner or Separate Contractors by cutting, patching, or otherwise altering such construction, or by excavation. The Contractor shall not cut or otherwise alter construction by the Owner or a Separate Contractor except with written consent of the Owner and of the Separate Contractor. Consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Contractor shall not unreasonably withhold, from the Owner or a Separate Contractor, its consent to cutting or otherwise altering the Work.

### § 3.15 Cleaning Up

§ 3.15.1 The Contractor shall keep the premises and surrounding area free from accumulation of waste materials and rubbish caused by operations under the Contract. At completion of the Work, the Contractor shall remove waste materials, rubbish, the Contractor's tools, construction equipment, machinery, and surplus materials from and about the Project.

§ 3.15.2 If the Contractor fails to clean up as provided in the Contract Documents, the Owner may do so and the Owner shall be entitled to reimbursement from the Contractor.

### § 3.16 Access to Work

The Contractor shall provide the Owner and Architect with access to the Work in preparation and progress wherever located.

### § 3.17 Royalties, Patents and Copyrights

The Contractor shall pay all royalties and license fees. The Contractor shall defend suits or claims for infringement of copyrights and patent rights and shall hold the Owner and Architect harmless from loss on account thereof, but shall not be responsible for defense or loss when a particular design, process, or product of a particular manufacturer or manufacturers is required by the Contract Documents, or where the copyright violations are contained in Drawings, Specifications, or other documents prepared by the Owner or Architect. However, if an infringement of a copyright or patent is discovered by, or made known to, the Contractor, the Contractor shall be responsible for the loss unless the information is promptly furnished to the Architect.

### § 3.18 Indemnification

§ 3.18.1 TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, AND EXCEPT AS SET OUT IN §3.18.2 AND §3.18.3 BELOW, CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND OWNER, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES (THE "INDEMNITEES" AND INDIVIDUALLY "INDEMNITEE"), FROM AND AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK, OR OTHER ACTIVITIES OF CONTRACTOR OR ANY SUBCONTRACTOR, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO (1) THE VIOLATION OF ANY ORDINANCE, REGULATION, STATUTE OR OTHER APPLICABLE LAW BY CONTRACTOR OR ANY SUBCONTRACTOR (OR ANY OF THEIR EMPLOYEES) OF ANY TIER; (2) ANY BOND OR LIEN CLAIM ASSERTED BY ANY SUBCONTRACTOR OR SUPPLIER OF ANY TIER FOR WORK OR MATERIALS PROVIDED TO THE PROJECT, TO THE EXTENT PAYMENT HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM OWNER; (3) BODILY INJURY OR DEATH OF ANY PERSON, OR

**PROPERTY DAMAGE, INCLUDING LOSS OF USE OF PROPERTY, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF OWNER OR ANY OF THE INDEMNITEES.**

**§ 3.18.2 INDEMNITY – EMPLOYEE INJURY CLAIMS. IN ADDITION TO THE INDEMNIFICATION PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS 3.18.1 AND 3.18.3, CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS OWNER AND ALL INDEMNITEES FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS, OR EXPENSE (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS), ARISING OUT OF, RESULTING FROM OR ATTRIBUTABLE TO ANY CLAIM OF BODILY INJURY, SICKNESS, DISEASE OR DEATH OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF CONTRACTOR, ANY SUBCONTRACTOR OR ANYONE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY EMPLOYED BY CONTRACTOR OR ANY OF ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, BROUGHT BY SUCH INJURED EMPLOYEE OR THE EMPLOYEE'S WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE CARRIER (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS AN "EMPLOYEE INJURY CLAIM"), EVEN TO THE EXTENT SUCH CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS OR EXPENSE IS ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY THE SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF OWNER OR ANY INDEMNITEE, IT BEING THE EXPRESSED INTENT OF THE OWNER AND CONTRACTOR THAT, IN SUCH EVENT, THE CONTRACTOR IS TO INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND THE OWNER AND INDEMNITEES FROM THE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR OWN NEGLIGENCE, WHETHER IT IS ALLEGED TO BE THE SOLE OR CONCURRING CAUSE OF THE BODILY INJURY, SICKNESS, DISEASE OR DEATH OF THE EMPLOYEE. THE INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT BE LIMITED BY ANY LIMITATION ON THE AMOUNT OR TYPE OF DAMAGES, COMPENSATION OR BENEFITS PAYABLE BY OR FOR CONTRACTOR UNDER WORKERS COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFIT ACTS OR OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ACTS. CONTRACTOR SHALL PROCURE LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERING ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH.**

**§ 3.18.3 INDEMNITY – COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT CLAIMS. IN ADDITION TO THE INDEMNIFICATION PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION 3.18.1 AND 3.18.2 ABOVE, CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND, AND HOLD HARMLESS OWNER AND ANY INDEMNITEE(S) FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS, OR EXPENSE (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO ANY CLAIM AGAINST OWNER OR INDEMNITEES ASSERTING INFRINGEMENT OR ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT OF A PATENT, TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT OR OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INSTRUMENTS OF SERVICE FURNISHED BY OR THROUGH CONTRACTOR OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, EVEN TO THE EXTENT SUCH CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS, OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED OR IS ALLEGED TO BE CAUSED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, BY THE SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF OWNER OR ANY OF THE INDEMNITEES OR ANYONE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY EMPLOYED BY THEM.**

**§ 3.18.4** In claims against any person or entity indemnified under this Section 3.18 by an employee of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them, or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Section 3.18.1 shall not be limited by a limitation on amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or a Subcontractor under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.

**§ 3.18.5** It is agreed with respect to any legal limitations now or hereafter in effect and affecting the validity or enforceability of the indemnification obligations under this Section 3.18 or the Additional Insured requirements of this Agreement, such legal limitations are made a part of the contractual obligations and shall operate to amend the obligations to the minimum extent necessary to bring the provision into conformity with the requirements of such limitations, and as so modified, the obligations shall continue in full force and effect. Should any provision in this Agreement be held invalid, unenforceable or contrary to public policy, law, statute or ordinance, then the remainder of the provision, paragraph, Section and/or Agreement shall not be affected thereby and shall remain valid and fully enforceable.

**§ 3.18.6** Insurance covering the indemnification obligations of Contractor under the foregoing paragraphs shall be provided by Contractor, but Contractor's liability to Owner as provided herein shall not be limited by the amount of the insurance coverage(s) required of and provided by Contractor.

§ 3.18.7 In the event that any claim, damage, demand, cost, loss, expense or injury arises or is made, asserted or threatened against Owner or any Indemnatee, Owner shall have the right to withhold from any payments due or to become due to Contractor an amount sufficient in its judgment to protect and indemnify the Indemnatee from any and all such claims, damages, demands, costs, losses, expenses or injuries (including, without limitation, legal fees and disbursements) except to the extent covered by insurance proceeds.

§ 3.18.8 The obligations contained in this Section 3.18 shall survive the expiration, completion, abandonment and/or termination of the Agreement and Final Completion of the Work.

## **ARTICLE 4 ARCHITECT**

### **§ 4.1 General**

§ 4.1.1 The Architect is the person or entity retained by the Owner pursuant to Section 2.3.2 and identified as such in the Agreement.

§ 4.1.2 Duties, responsibilities, and limitations of authority of the Architect as set forth in the Contract Documents shall not be restricted, modified, or extended without written consent of the Owner, Contractor, and Architect. Consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

### **§ 4.2 Administration of the Contract**

§ 4.2.1 The Architect will provide administration of the Contract as described in the Contract Documents and will be an Owner's representative during construction until the date the Architect issues the final Certificate for Payment. The Architect will have authority to act on behalf of the Owner only to the extent provided in the Contract Documents.

§ 4.2.2 The Architect will visit the site at intervals appropriate to the stage of construction, or as otherwise agreed with the Owner, to become generally familiar with the progress and quality of the portion of the Work completed, and to determine in general if the Work observed is being performed in a manner indicating that the Work, when fully completed, will be in accordance with the Contract Documents. However, the Architect will not be required to make exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections to check the quality or quantity of the Work. The Architect will not have control over, charge of, or responsibility for the construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or for the safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work, since these are solely the Contractor's rights and responsibilities under the Contract Documents.

§ 4.2.3 On the basis of the site visits, the Architect will keep the Owner reasonably informed about the progress and quality of the portion of the Work completed, and promptly report to the Owner (1) known deviations from the Contract Documents, (2) known deviations from the most recent construction schedule submitted by the Contractor, and (3) defects and deficiencies observed in the Work. The Architect will not be responsible for the Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Architect will not have control over or charge of, and will not be responsible for acts or omissions of, the Contractor, Subcontractors, or their agents or employees, or any other persons or entities performing portions of the Work.

### **§ 4.2.4 Communications**

The Owner and Contractor shall include the Architect in all communications that relate to or affect the Architect's services or professional responsibilities. The Owner shall promptly notify the Architect of the substance of any direct communications between the Owner and the Contractor otherwise relating to the Project. Communications by and with the Architect's consultants shall be through the Architect. Communications by and with Subcontractors and suppliers shall be through the Contractor. Communications by and with Separate Contractors shall be through the Owner. The Contract Documents may specify other communication protocols.

§ 4.2.5 Based on the Architect's evaluations of the Contractor's Applications for Payment, the Architect will review and certify the amounts due the Contractor and will issue Certificates for Payment in such amounts.

§ 4.2.6 The Architect has authority to reject Work that does not conform to the Contract Documents. Whenever the Architect considers it necessary or advisable, the Architect will have authority to require inspection or testing of the Work in accordance with Sections 13.4.2 and 13.4.3, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed or completed. However, neither this authority of the Architect nor a decision made in good faith either to exercise or not to exercise such authority shall give rise to a duty or responsibility of the Architect to the Contractor, Subcontractors, suppliers, their agents or employees, or other persons or entities performing portions of the Work.

§ 4.2.7 The Architect will review and approve, or take other appropriate action upon, the Contractor's submittals such as Shop Drawings, Product Data, and Samples, but only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. The Architect's action will be taken in accordance with the submittal schedule approved by the Architect or, in the absence of an approved submittal schedule, with reasonable promptness while allowing sufficient time in the Architect's professional judgment to permit adequate review. Review of such submittals is not conducted for the purpose of determining the accuracy and completeness of other details such as dimensions and quantities, or for substantiating instructions for installation or performance of equipment or systems, all of which remain the responsibility of the Contractor as required by the Contract Documents. The Architect's review of the Contractor's submittals shall not relieve the Contractor of the obligations under Sections 3.3, 3.5, and 3.12. The Architect's review shall not constitute approval of safety precautions or of any construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures. The Architect's approval of a specific item shall not indicate approval of an assembly of which the item is a component.

§ 4.2.8 The Architect will prepare Change Orders and Construction Change Directives, and may order minor changes in the Work as provided in Section 7.4. The Architect will investigate and make determinations and recommendations regarding concealed and unknown conditions as provided in Section 3.7.4.

§ 4.2.9 The Architect will conduct inspections to determine the date or dates of Substantial Completion and the date of final completion; issue Certificates of Substantial Completion pursuant to Section 9.8; receive and forward to the Owner, for the Owner's review and records, written warranties and related documents required by the Contract and assembled by the Contractor pursuant to Section 9.10; and issue a final Certificate for Payment pursuant to Section 9.10.

§ 4.2.10 If the Owner and Architect agree, the Architect will provide one or more Project representatives to assist in carrying out the Architect's responsibilities at the site. The Owner shall notify the Contractor of any change in the duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the Project representatives.

§ 4.2.11 The Architect will interpret and decide matters concerning performance under, and requirements of, the Contract Documents on written request of either the Owner or Contractor. The Architect's response to such requests will be made in writing within any time limits agreed upon or otherwise with reasonable promptness.

§ 4.2.12 Interpretations and decisions of the Architect will be consistent with the intent of, and reasonably inferable from, the Contract Documents and will be in writing or in the form of drawings. When making such interpretations and decisions, the Architect will endeavor to secure faithful performance by both Owner and Contractor, will not show partiality to either, and will not be liable for results of interpretations or decisions rendered in good faith.

§ 4.2.13 The Architect's decisions on matters relating to aesthetic effect will be final if consistent with the intent expressed in the Contract Documents.

§ 4.2.14 The Architect will review and respond to requests for information about the Contract Documents. The Architect's response to such requests will be made in writing within any time limits agreed upon or otherwise with reasonable promptness. If appropriate, the Architect will prepare and issue supplemental Drawings and Specifications in response to the requests for information.

## **ARTICLE 5 SUBCONTRACTORS**

### **§ 5.1 Definitions**

§ 5.1.1 A Subcontractor is a person or entity who has a direct contract with the Contractor to perform a portion of the Work at the site. The term "Subcontractor" is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and means a Subcontractor or an authorized representative of the Subcontractor. The term "Subcontractor" does not include a Separate Contractor or the subcontractors of a Separate Contractor.

§ 5.1.2 A Sub-subcontractor is a person or entity who has a direct or indirect contract with a Subcontractor to perform a portion of the Work at the site. The term "Sub-subcontractor" is referred to throughout the Contract Documents as if singular in number and means a Sub-subcontractor or an authorized representative of the Sub-subcontractor.

## **§ 5.2 Award of Subcontracts and Other Contracts for Portions of the Work**

**§ 5.2.1** Unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents or the bidding requirements, the Contractor, as soon as practicable after award of the Contract, shall notify the Owner and Architect of the persons or entities proposed for each principal portion of the Work, including those who are to furnish materials or equipment fabricated to a special design. Within 14 days of receipt of the information, the Architect may notify the Contractor whether the Owner or the Architect (1) has reasonable objection to any such proposed person or entity or (2) requires additional time for review. Failure of the Architect to provide notice within the 14-day period shall constitute notice of no reasonable objection.

**§ 5.2.2** The Contractor shall not contract with a proposed person or entity to whom the Owner or Architect has made reasonable and timely objection. The Contractor shall not be required to contract with anyone to whom the Contractor has made reasonable objection.

**§ 5.2.3** If the Owner or Architect has reasonable objection to a person or entity proposed by the Contractor, the Contractor shall propose another to whom the Owner or Architect has no reasonable objection. If the proposed but rejected Subcontractor was reasonably capable of performing the Work, the Contract Sum and Contract Time shall be increased or decreased by the difference, if any, occasioned by such change, and an appropriate Change Order shall be issued before commencement of the substitute Subcontractor's Work. However, no increase in the Contract Sum or Contract Time shall be allowed for such change unless the Contractor has acted promptly and responsively in submitting names as required.

**§ 5.2.4** The Contractor shall not substitute a Subcontractor, person, or entity for one previously selected if the Owner or Architect makes reasonable objection to such substitution.

## **§ 5.3 Subcontractual Relations**

By appropriate written agreement, the Contractor shall require each Subcontractor, to the extent of the Work to be performed by the Subcontractor, to be bound to the Contractor by terms of the Contract Documents, and to assume toward the Contractor all the obligations and responsibilities, including the responsibility for safety of the Subcontractor's Work that the Contractor, by these Contract Documents, assumes toward the Owner and Architect. Each subcontract agreement shall preserve and protect the rights of the Owner and Architect under the Contract Documents with respect to the Work to be performed by the Subcontractor so that subcontracting thereof will not prejudice such rights, and shall allow to the Subcontractor, unless specifically provided otherwise in the subcontract agreement, the benefit of all rights, remedies, and redress against the Contractor that the Contractor, by the Contract Documents, has against the Owner. Where appropriate, the Contractor shall require each Subcontractor to enter into similar agreements with Sub-subcontractors. The Contractor shall make available to each proposed Subcontractor, prior to the execution of the subcontract agreement, copies of the Contract Documents to which the Subcontractor will be bound, and, upon written request of the Subcontractor, identify to the Subcontractor terms and conditions of the proposed subcontract agreement that may be at variance with the Contract Documents. Subcontractors will similarly make copies of applicable portions of such documents available to their respective proposed Sub-subcontractors.

## **§ 5.4 Contingent Assignment of Subcontracts**

**§ 5.4.1** Each subcontract agreement for a portion of the Work is assigned by the Contractor to the Owner, provided that

- .1 assignment is effective only after termination of the Contract by the Owner for cause pursuant to Section 14.2 and only for those subcontract agreements that the Owner accepts by notifying the Subcontractor and Contractor; and
- .2 assignment is subject to the prior rights of the surety, if any, obligated under bond relating to the Contract.

When the Owner accepts the assignment of a subcontract agreement, the Owner assumes the Contractor's rights and obligations under the subcontract.

**§ 5.4.2** Upon such assignment, if the Work has been suspended for more than 30 days, the Subcontractor's compensation shall be equitably adjusted for increases in cost resulting from the suspension.

**§ 5.4.3** Upon assignment to the Owner under this Section 5.4, the Owner may further assign the subcontract to a successor contractor or other entity. If the Owner assigns the subcontract to a successor contractor or other entity, the Owner shall nevertheless remain legally responsible for all of the successor contractor's obligations under the subcontract.



## **ARTICLE 6 CONSTRUCTION BY OWNER OR BY SEPARATE CONTRACTORS**

### **§ 6.1 Owner's Right to Perform Construction and to Award Separate Contracts**

**§ 6.1.1** The term "Separate Contractor(s)" shall mean other contractors retained by the Owner under separate agreements. The Owner reserves the right to perform construction or operations related to the Project with the Owner's own forces, and with Separate Contractors retained under Conditions of the Contract substantially similar to those of this Contract, including those provisions of the Conditions of the Contract related to insurance and waiver of subrogation.

**§ 6.1.2** When separate contracts are awarded for different portions of the Project or other construction or operations on the site, the term "Contractor" in the Contract Documents in each case shall mean the Contractor who executes each separate Owner-Contractor Agreement.

**§ 6.1.3** The Owner shall provide for coordination of the activities of the Owner's own forces and of each Separate Contractor with the Work of the Contractor, who shall cooperate with them. The Contractor shall participate with any Separate Contractors and the Owner in reviewing their construction schedules. The Contractor shall make any revisions to its construction schedule deemed necessary after a joint review and mutual agreement. The construction schedules shall then constitute the schedules to be used by the Contractor, Separate Contractors, and the Owner until subsequently revised.

**§ 6.1.4** Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, when the Owner performs construction or operations related to the Project with the Owner's own forces or with Separate Contractors, the Owner or its Separate Contractors shall have the same obligations and rights that the Contractor has under the Conditions of the Contract, including, without excluding others, those stated in Article 3, this Article 6, and Articles 10, 11, and 12.

### **§ 6.2 Mutual Responsibility**

**§ 6.2.1** The Contractor shall afford the Owner and Separate Contractors reasonable opportunity for introduction and storage of their materials and equipment and performance of their activities, and shall connect and coordinate the Contractor's construction and operations with theirs as required by the Contract Documents.

**§ 6.2.2** If part of the Contractor's Work depends for proper execution or results upon construction or operations by the Owner or a Separate Contractor, the Contractor shall, prior to proceeding with that portion of the Work, promptly notify the Architect of apparent discrepancies or defects in the construction or operations by the Owner or Separate Contractor that would render it unsuitable for proper execution and results of the Contractor's Work. Failure of the Contractor to notify the Architect of apparent discrepancies or defects prior to proceeding with the Work shall constitute an acknowledgment that the Owner's or Separate Contractor's completed or partially completed construction is fit and proper to receive the Contractor's Work. The Contractor shall not be responsible for discrepancies or defects in the construction or operations by the Owner or Separate Contractor that are not apparent.

**§ 6.2.3** The Contractor shall reimburse the Owner for costs the Owner incurs that are payable to a Separate Contractor because of the Contractor's delays, improperly timed activities or defective construction. The Owner shall be responsible to the Contractor for costs the Contractor incurs because of a Separate Contractor's delays, improperly timed activities, damage to the Work or defective construction.

**§ 6.2.4** The Contractor shall promptly remedy damage that the Contractor wrongfully causes to completed or partially completed construction or to property of the Owner or Separate Contractor as provided in Section 10.2.5.

**§ 6.2.5** The Owner and each Separate Contractor shall have the same responsibilities for cutting and patching as are described for the Contractor in Section 3.14.

### **§ 6.3 Owner's Right to Clean Up**

If a dispute arises among the Contractor, Separate Contractors, and the Owner as to the responsibility under their respective contracts for maintaining the premises and surrounding area free from waste materials and rubbish, the Owner may clean up and the Architect will allocate the cost among those responsible.

## ARTICLE 7 CHANGES IN THE WORK

### § 7.1 General

§ 7.1.1 Changes in the Work may be accomplished after execution of the Contract, and without invalidating the Contract, by Change Order, Construction Change Directive or order for a minor change in the Work, subject to the limitations stated in this Article 7 and elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

§ 7.1.2 A Change Order shall be based upon agreement among the Owner, Contractor, and Architect. A Construction Change Directive requires agreement by the Owner and Architect and may or may not be agreed to by the Contractor. An order for a minor change in the Work may be issued by the Architect alone.

§ 7.1.3 Changes in the Work shall be performed under applicable provisions of the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall proceed promptly with changes in the Work, unless otherwise provided in the Change Order, Construction Change Directive, or order for a minor change in the Work.

### § 7.2 Change Orders

§ 7.2.1 A Change Order is a written instrument prepared by the Architect and signed by the Owner, Contractor, and Architect stating their agreement upon all of the following:

- .1 The change in the Work;
- .2 The amount of the adjustment, if any, in the Contract Sum; and
- .3 The extent of the adjustment, if any, in the Contract Time.

§ 7.2.2 The Owner shall have a period of up to sixty (60) days to process and consider any request for Change Order submitted by Contractor, without affecting the Contract Time and without giving rise to any Claim for delay by Contractor.

§ 7.2.3 Any adjustment in the Contract Sum or the Contract Time associated with the subject matter of the Change Order that is not expressly included in the request for Change Order submitted by the Contractor or in any Change Order signed by the Contractor shall be deemed irrevocably waived by the Contractor.

### § 7.3 Construction Change Directives

§ 7.3.1 A Construction Change Directive is a written order prepared by the Architect and signed by the Owner and Architect, directing a change in the Work prior to agreement on adjustment, if any, in the Contract Sum or Contract Time, or both. The Owner may by Construction Change Directive, without invalidating the Contract, order changes in the Work within the general scope of the Contract consisting of additions, deletions, or other revisions, the Contract Sum and Contract Time being adjusted accordingly.

§ 7.3.2 A Construction Change Directive shall be used in the absence of total agreement on the terms of a Change Order.

§ 7.3.3 If the Construction Change Directive provides for an adjustment to the Contract Sum, the adjustment shall be based on one of the following methods:

- .1 Mutual acceptance of a lump sum properly itemized and supported by sufficient substantiating data to permit evaluation;
- .2 Unit prices stated in the Contract Documents or subsequently agreed upon;
- .3 Cost to be determined in a manner agreed upon by the parties and a mutually acceptable fixed or percentage fee; or
- .4 As provided in Section 7.3.4.

§ 7.3.4 If the Contractor does not respond promptly or disagrees with the method for adjustment in the Contract Sum, the Architect shall determine the adjustment on the basis of reasonable expenditures and savings of those performing the Work attributable to the change, including, in case of an increase in the Contract Sum, an amount for overhead and profit as set forth in the Agreement, or if no such amount is set forth in the Agreement, a reasonable amount. In such case, and also under Section 7.3.3.3, the Contractor shall keep and present, in such form as the Architect may prescribe, an itemized accounting together with appropriate supporting data. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, costs for the purposes of this Section 7.3.4 shall be limited to the following:

- .1 Costs of labor, including applicable payroll taxes, fringe benefits required by agreement or custom, workers' compensation insurance, and other employee costs approved by the Architect;

- .2 Costs of materials, supplies, and equipment, including cost of transportation, whether incorporated or consumed;
- .3 Rental costs of machinery and equipment, exclusive of hand tools, whether rented from the Contractor or others;
- .4 Costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance, permit fees, and sales, use, or similar taxes, directly related to the change; and
- .5 Costs of supervision and field office personnel directly attributable to the change.

§ 7.3.5 If the Contractor disagrees with the adjustment in the Contract Time, the Contractor may make a Claim in accordance with applicable provisions of Article 15.

§ 7.3.6 Upon receipt of a Construction Change Directive, the Contractor shall promptly proceed with the change in the Work involved and advise the Architect of the Contractor's agreement or disagreement with the method, if any, provided in the Construction Change Directive for determining the proposed adjustment in the Contract Sum or Contract Time.

§ 7.3.7 A Construction Change Directive signed by the Contractor indicates the Contractor's agreement therewith, including adjustment in Contract Sum and Contract Time or the method for determining them. Such agreement shall be effective immediately and shall be recorded as a Change Order.

§ 7.3.8 The amount of credit to be allowed by the Contractor to the Owner for a deletion or change that results in a net decrease in the Contract Sum shall be actual net cost as confirmed by the Architect. When both additions and credits covering related Work or substitutions are involved in a change, the allowance for overhead and profit shall be figured on the basis of net increase, if any, with respect to that change.

§ 7.3.9 Pending final determination of the total cost of a Construction Change Directive to the Owner, the Contractor may request payment for Work completed under the Construction Change Directive in Applications for Payment. The Architect will make an interim determination for purposes of monthly certification for payment for those costs and certify for payment the amount that the Architect determines, in the Architect's professional judgment, to be reasonably justified. The Architect's interim determination of cost shall adjust the Contract Sum on the same basis as a Change Order, subject to the right of either party to disagree and assert a Claim in accordance with Article 15.

§ 7.3.10 When the Owner and Contractor agree with a determination made by the Architect concerning the adjustments in the Contract Sum and Contract Time, or otherwise reach agreement upon the adjustments, such agreement shall be effective immediately and the Architect will prepare a Change Order. Change Orders may be issued for all or any part of a Construction Change Directive.

§ 7.3.11 In the event the provisions of Section 7.3.4 become applicable to determine a reasonable allowance for overhead and profit resulting from a Construction Change Directive, such reasonable allowance for combined overhead and profit to be added to the Contract Sum shall be determined in accordance with the following:

- .1 For the Contractor with respect to the Work attributable to the Construction Change Directive performed by Contractor's own employees and contract labor forces, an amount of overhead equal to ten percent (10%) of such portion of the Contractor's out-of-pocket cost and an amount for profit equal to five percent (5%) of such portion of the Contractor's out-of-pocket cost;
- .2 For the Contractor with respect to the Work attributable to the Construction Change Directive performed by Contractor's Subcontractor, an amount of combined overhead and profit equal to five percent (5%) of such amount due to such Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractor;
- .3 For each Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor respect to the Work attributable to the Construction Change Directive performed by such Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor's own respective employees and contract labor forces, an amount of overhead and profit equal to ten percent (10%) of such out-of-pocket cost incurred respectively by such Subcontractor or Sub-subcontractor;
- .4 For each Subcontractor with respect to the Work attributable to the Construction Change Directive performed by such Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractor(s), an amount of combined overhead and profit equal to five percent (5%) of such amount due to such Subcontractor's Sub-subcontractor(s);
- .5 All costs for the Work attributable to the Construction Change Directive performed by the Contractor, Subcontractors and Sub-subcontractors shall be determined in accordance with the terms and provisions of Section 7.3.4; and

- .6 In order to facilitate the determination of such costs attributable to a Construction Change Directive under Section 7.3.4, the itemized records and supporting data the Contractor is required to keep and provide to the Owner and Architect pursuant to Section 7.3.4 shall include a copy of all proposals, other than those determined by the Owner to be so minor and insignificant that their value can be readily determined by site observation, together with a copy of all signed proposals and/or invoices for costs for labor, services, materials and Subcontracts. In the event that a significant portion of such costs consists of Subcontracts, such Subcontracts shall be provided with copy of all signed proposals and/or invoices for costs for labor, services, materials, Subcontracts and Sub-subcontracts.

#### **§ 7.4 Minor Changes in the Work**

The Architect may order minor changes in the Work that are consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents and do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Sum or an extension of the Contract Time. The Architect's order for minor changes shall be in writing. If the Contractor believes that the proposed minor change in the Work will affect the Contract Sum or Contract Time, the Contractor shall notify the Architect and shall not proceed to implement the change in the Work. If the Contractor performs the Work set forth in the Architect's order for a minor change without prior notice to the Architect that such change will affect the Contract Sum or Contract Time, the Contractor waives any adjustment to the Contract Sum or extension of the Contract Time.

### **ARTICLE 8 TIME**

#### **§ 8.1 Definitions**

**§ 8.1.1** Unless otherwise provided, Contract Time is the period of time, including authorized adjustments, allotted in the Contract Documents for Substantial Completion of the Work.

**§ 8.1.2** The date of commencement of the Work is the date established in the Agreement.

**§ 8.1.3** The date of Substantial Completion is the date certified by the Architect in accordance with Section 9.8.

**§ 8.1.4** The term "day" as used in the Contract Documents shall mean calendar day unless otherwise specifically defined.

#### **§ 8.2 Progress and Completion**

**§ 8.2.1** Time limits stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract. By executing the Agreement, the Contractor confirms that the Contract Time is a reasonable period for performing the Work.

**§ 8.2.2** The Contractor shall not knowingly, except by agreement or instruction of the Owner in writing, commence the Work prior to the effective date of insurance and bonds required to be furnished by the Contractor and Owner.

**§ 8.2.3** The Contractor shall proceed expeditiously with adequate forces sufficient to provide a rate of progress indicated on the Progress Schedule and timely completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents) and shall achieve Substantial Completion within the Contract Time.

#### **§ 8.3 Delays and Extensions of Time**

**§ 8.3.1** If the Contractor is delayed at any time in the commencement or progress of the Work by (1) an act or neglect of the Owner or Architect, of an employee of either, or of a Separate Contractor; (2) by changes ordered in the Work; (3) by labor disputes, fire, unusual delay in deliveries, unavoidable casualties, adverse weather conditions documented in accordance with Section 15.1.6.2, or other causes beyond the Contractor's control; (4) by delay authorized by the Owner pending mediation and any applicable legal remedies; or (5) by other causes that the Contractor asserts, and the Architect determines, justify delay, then the Contract Time shall be extended for such reasonable time as the Architect may determine.

**§ 8.3.2** Claims relating to time shall be made in accordance with applicable provisions of Article 15.

**§ 8.3.3** This Section 8.3 does not preclude recovery of damages for delay by either party under other provisions of the Contract Documents.

## ARTICLE 9 PAYMENTS AND COMPLETION

### § 9.1 Contract Sum

§ 9.1.1 The Contract Sum is stated in the Agreement and, including authorized adjustments, is the total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor for performance of the Work under the Contract Documents.

§ 9.1.2 If unit prices are stated in the Contract Documents or subsequently agreed upon, and if quantities originally contemplated are materially changed so that application of such unit prices to the actual quantities causes substantial inequity to the Owner or Contractor, the applicable unit prices shall be equitably adjusted.

### § 9.2 Schedule of Values

Where the Contract is based on a stipulated sum or Guaranteed Maximum Price, the Contractor shall submit a schedule of values to the Architect before the first Application for Payment, allocating the entire Contract Sum to the various portions of the Work. The schedule of values shall be prepared in the form, and supported by the data to substantiate its accuracy, required by the Architect. This schedule, unless objected to by the Architect, shall be used as a basis for reviewing the Contractor's Applications for Payment. Any changes to the schedule of values shall be submitted to the Architect and supported by such data to substantiate its accuracy as the Architect may require, and unless objected to by the Architect, shall be used as a basis for reviewing the Contractor's subsequent Applications for Payment.

### § 9.3 Applications for Payment

§ 9.3.1 At least ten days before the date established for each progress payment, the Contractor shall submit to the Architect an itemized Application for Payment prepared in accordance with the schedule of values, if required under Section 9.2, for completed portions of the Work. The application shall be notarized, if required, and supported by all data substantiating the Contractor's right to payment that the Owner or Architect require, such as copies of requisitions, and releases and waivers of liens from Subcontractors and suppliers, and shall reflect retainage if provided for in the Contract Documents.

- .1 The period of time covered by each Application for Payment shall be one calendar month ending on the twenty-fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) day of each calendar month;
- .2 Until Substantial Completion, the Owner agrees to pay Contractor ninety-five (95%) of the amount that is due to the Contractor on account of progress payments in accordance with the terms of the Contract for Work completed pursuant to the Contract; and
- .3 Applications for Payment shall be submitted for payment by the Contractor using AIA Forms G702-1992 and G703-1992, and in addition, Contractor shall provide a Conditional Waiver and Release on Progress/Final Payment in conformance with Texas Law (Texas Property Code § 53.284) from Contractor and each Subcontractor through the effective date of the Application for Payment and an Unconditional Waiver and Release on Progress/Final Payment in conformance with Texas Law (Texas Property Code § 53.284) from Contractor and each Subcontractor that waives all liens or claims for payment for the Work covered by the previous Application for Payment paid by Owner.

§ 9.3.1.1 As provided in Section 7.3.9, such applications may include requests for payment on account of changes in the Work that have been properly authorized by Construction Change Directives, or by interim determinations of the Architect, but not yet included in Change Orders.

§ 9.3.1.2 Applications for Payment shall not include requests for payment for portions of the Work for which the Contractor does not intend to pay a Subcontractor or supplier, unless such Work has been performed by others whom the Contractor intends to pay.

§ 9.3.2 Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, payments shall be made on account of materials and equipment delivered and suitably stored at the site for subsequent incorporation in the Work. If approved in advance by the Owner, payment may similarly be made for materials and equipment suitably stored off the site at a location agreed upon in writing. Payment for materials and equipment stored on or off the site shall be conditioned upon compliance by the Contractor with procedures satisfactory to the Owner to establish the Owner's title to such materials and equipment or otherwise protect the Owner's interest, and shall include the costs of applicable insurance, storage, and transportation to the site, for such materials and equipment stored off the site.

§ 9.3.3 The Contractor warrants that title to all Work covered by an Application for Payment will pass to the Owner no later than the time of payment. The Contractor further warrants that upon submittal of an Application for Payment all

Work for which Certificates for Payment have been previously issued and payments received from the Owner shall, to the best of the Contractor's knowledge, information, and belief, be free and clear of liens, claims, security interests, or encumbrances, in favor of the Contractor, Subcontractors, suppliers, or other persons or entities that provided labor, materials, and equipment relating to the Work.

#### **§ 9.4 Certificates for Payment**

**§ 9.4.1** The Architect will, within seven days after receipt of the Contractor's Application for Payment, either (1) issue to the Owner a Certificate for Payment in the full amount of the Application for Payment, with a copy to the Contractor; or (2) issue to the Owner a Certificate for Payment for such amount as the Architect determines is properly due, and notify the Contractor and Owner of the Architect's reasons for withholding certification in part as provided in Section 9.5.1; or (3) withhold certification of the entire Application for Payment, and notify the Contractor and Owner of the Architect's reason for withholding certification in whole as provided in Section 9.5.1.

**§ 9.4.2** The issuance of a Certificate for Payment will constitute a representation by the Architect to the Owner, based on the Architect's evaluation of the Work and the data in the Application for Payment, that, to the best of the Architect's knowledge, information, and belief, the Work has progressed to the point indicated, the quality of the Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents, and that the Contractor is entitled to payment in the amount certified. The foregoing representations are subject to an evaluation of the Work for conformance with the Contract Documents upon Substantial Completion, to results of subsequent tests and inspections, to correction of minor deviations from the Contract Documents prior to completion, and to specific qualifications expressed by the Architect. However, the issuance of a Certificate for Payment will not be a representation that the Architect has (1) made exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections to check the quality or quantity of the Work; (2) reviewed construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures; (3) reviewed copies of requisitions received from Subcontractors and suppliers and other data requested by the Owner to substantiate the Contractor's right to payment; or (4) made examination to ascertain how or for what purpose the Contractor has used money previously paid on account of the Contract Sum.

#### **§ 9.5 Decisions to Withhold Certification**

**§ 9.5.1** The Architect may withhold a Certificate for Payment in whole or in part, to the extent reasonably necessary to protect the Owner, if in the Architect's opinion the representations to the Owner required by Section 9.4.2 cannot be made. If the Architect is unable to certify payment in the amount of the Application, the Architect will notify the Contractor and Owner as provided in Section 9.4.1. If the Contractor and Architect cannot agree on a revised amount, the Architect will promptly issue a Certificate for Payment for the amount for which the Architect is able to make such representations to the Owner. The Architect may also withhold a Certificate for Payment or, because of subsequently discovered evidence, may nullify the whole or a part of a Certificate for Payment previously issued, to such extent as may be necessary in the Architect's opinion to protect the Owner from loss for which the Contractor is responsible, including loss resulting from acts and omissions described in Section 3.3.2, because of

- .1 defective Work not remedied and/or failure to commence reasonable efforts to cure defective Work within five (5) working days following written notice thereof and demand from the Owner;
- .2 third party claims filed or reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims, unless security acceptable to the Owner is provided by the Contractor;
- .3 failure of the Contractor to make payments properly to Subcontractors or suppliers for labor, materials or equipment;
- .4 reasonable evidence that the Work cannot be completed for the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum;
- .5 damage to the Owner or a Separate Contractor;
- .6 reasonable evidence that the Work will not be completed within the Contract Time, and that the unpaid balance would not be adequate to cover actual or liquidated damages for the anticipated delay; or
- .7 repeated failure to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**§ 9.5.2** When either party disputes the Architect's decision regarding a Certificate for Payment under Section 9.5.1, in whole or in part, that party may submit a Claim in accordance with Article 15.

**§ 9.5.3** When the reasons for withholding certification are removed, certification will be made for amounts previously withheld.

**§ 9.5.4** If the Architect withholds certification for payment under Section 9.5.1.3, the Owner may, at its sole option, issue joint checks to the Contractor and to any Subcontractor or supplier to whom the Contractor failed to make

payment for Work properly performed or material or equipment suitably delivered. If the Owner makes payments by joint check, the Owner shall notify the Architect and the Contractor shall reflect such payment on its next Application for Payment.

## **§ 9.6 Progress Payments**

**§ 9.6.1** After the Architect has issued a Certificate for Payment, the Owner shall make payment in the manner and within the time provided in the Contract Documents, and shall so notify the Architect.

- .1** Provided an Application for Payment for Work performed in any calendar month is received by the Architect not later than the twenty-seventh (27<sup>th</sup>) calendar day of the calendar month in which Work has been performed ("Application Day"), the Owner shall make payment to the Contractor not later than the twenty-first (21<sup>st</sup>) day of the calendar month following the month in which the Application for Payment is received by the Architect. If an Application for Payment is received by the Architect after the Application Day in any calendar month, the payment for such Application for Payment shall be made by the Owner not later than 30 days after the date the Architect receives such Application for Payment.

**§ 9.6.2** The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor, no later than seven days after receipt of payment from the Owner, the amount to which the Subcontractor is entitled, reflecting percentages actually retained from payments to the Contractor on account of the Subcontractor's portion of the Work. The Contractor shall, by appropriate agreement with each Subcontractor, require each Subcontractor to make payments to Sub-subcontractors in a similar manner.

**§ 9.6.3** The Architect will, on request, furnish to a Subcontractor, if practicable, information regarding percentages of completion or amounts applied for by the Contractor and action taken thereon by the Architect and Owner on account of portions of the Work done by such Subcontractor.

**§ 9.6.4** The Owner has the right to request written evidence from the Contractor that the Contractor has properly paid Subcontractors and suppliers amounts paid by the Owner to the Contractor for subcontracted Work. If the Contractor fails to furnish such evidence within seven days, the Owner shall have the right to contact Subcontractors and suppliers to ascertain whether they have been properly paid. Neither the Owner nor Architect shall have an obligation to pay, or to see to the payment of money to, a Subcontractor or supplier, except as may otherwise be required by law.

**§ 9.6.5** The Contractor's payments to suppliers shall be treated in a manner similar to that provided in Sections 9.6.2, 9.6.3 and 9.6.4.

**§ 9.6.6** A Certificate for Payment, a progress payment, or partial or entire use or occupancy of the Project by the Owner shall not constitute acceptance of Work not in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**§ 9.6.7** Unless the Contractor provides the Owner with a payment bond in the full penal sum of the Contract Sum, payments received by the Contractor for Work properly performed by Subcontractors or provided by suppliers shall be held by the Contractor for those Subcontractors or suppliers who performed Work or furnished materials, or both, under contract with the Contractor for which payment was made by the Owner. Nothing contained herein shall require money to be placed in a separate account and not commingled with money of the Contractor, create any fiduciary liability or tort liability on the part of the Contractor for breach of trust, or entitle any person or entity to an award of punitive damages against the Contractor for breach of the requirements of this provision.

**§ 9.6.8** Provided the Owner is not then in default in its payment obligations under the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall defend and indemnify the Owner from all loss, liability, damage or expense, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses, arising out of any lien claim or other claim for payment by any Subcontractor or supplier of any tier. Upon receipt of notice of a lien claim or other claim for payment, the Owner shall notify the Contractor. If approved by the applicable court, when required, the Contractor may substitute a surety bond for the property against which the lien or other claim for payment has been asserted.

## **§ 9.7 Failure of Payment**

If the Architect does not issue a Certificate for Payment, through no fault of the Contractor, within seven days after receipt of the Contractor's Application for Payment, or if the Owner does not pay the Contractor within seven days after the date established in the Contract Documents, the amount certified by the Architect, then the Contractor may, upon seven additional days' notice to the Owner and Architect, stop the Work until payment of the amount owing has been received. The Contract Time shall be extended appropriately and the Contract Sum shall be increased by the

amount of the Contractor's reasonable costs of shutdown, delay and start-up, plus interest as provided for in the Contract Documents.

## **§ 9.8 Substantial Completion**

**§ 9.8.1** Substantial Completion is the stage in the progress of the Work when the Work or designated portion thereof is sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so that the Owner can occupy or utilize the Work for its intended use.

**§ 9.8.2** When the Contractor considers that the Work, or a portion thereof which the Owner agrees to accept separately (if any), is substantially complete, the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Architect a comprehensive list of items to be completed or corrected prior to final payment. Failure to include an item on such list does not alter the responsibility of the Contractor to complete all Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**§ 9.8.3** Upon receipt of the Contractor's list, the Architect will make an inspection to determine whether the Work or designated portion thereof is substantially complete. If the Architect's inspection discloses any item, whether or not included on the Contractor's list, which is not sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so that the Owner can occupy or utilize the Work or designated portion thereof for its intended use, the Contractor shall, before issuance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion, complete or correct such item upon notification by the Architect. In such case, the Contractor shall then submit a request for another inspection by the Architect to determine Substantial Completion.

**§ 9.8.4** When the Work or designated portion thereof is substantially complete, the Architect will prepare a Certificate of Substantial Completion that shall establish the date of Substantial Completion; establish responsibilities of the Owner and Contractor for security, maintenance, heat, utilities, damage to the Work and insurance; and fix the time within which the Contractor shall finish all items on the list accompanying the Certificate. Warranties required by the Contract Documents shall commence on the date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

**§ 9.8.5** The Certificate of Substantial Completion shall be submitted to the Owner and Contractor for their written acceptance of responsibilities assigned to them in the Certificate. Upon such acceptance, and consent of surety if any, the Owner shall make payment of retainage applying to the Work or designated portion thereof. Such payment shall be adjusted for Work that is incomplete or not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

## **§ 9.9 Partial Occupancy or Use**

**§ 9.9.1** The Owner may occupy or use any completed or partially completed portion of the Work at any stage when such portion is designated by separate agreement with the Contractor, provided such occupancy or use is consented to by the insurer as required under Section 11.3.1.5 and authorized by public authorities having jurisdiction over the Project. Such partial occupancy or use may commence whether or not the portion is substantially complete, provided the Owner and Contractor have accepted in writing the responsibilities assigned to each of them for payments, retainage, if any, security, maintenance, heat, utilities, damage to the Work and insurance, and have agreed in writing concerning the period for correction of the Work and commencement of warranties required by the Contract Documents. When the Contractor considers a portion substantially complete, the Contractor shall prepare and submit a list to the Architect as provided under Section 9.8.2. Consent of the Contractor to partial occupancy or use shall not be unreasonably withheld. The stage of the progress of the Work shall be determined by written agreement between the Owner and Contractor or, if no agreement is reached, by decision of the Architect.

**§ 9.9.2** Immediately prior to such partial occupancy or use, the Owner, Contractor, and Architect shall jointly inspect the area to be occupied or portion of the Work to be used in order to determine and record the condition of the Work.

**§ 9.9.3** Unless otherwise agreed upon, partial occupancy or use of a portion or portions of the Work shall not constitute acceptance of Work not complying with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

**§ 9.9.4** In the event of partial occupancy by Owner of a portion of the Work which the Owner agrees to accept separately (if any) as substantially complete ("Occupied Portion of the Work"), before Substantial Completion of all of the Work, the Contractor shall cooperate with the Owner in making available to the Owner's use and benefit at Owner's expense such building services as heating, ventilation, cooling, water, lighting, telephone, elevators and security reasonably required for the occupancy and use of the Occupied Portion of the Work (collectively, Building



Services to Occupied Portion"), and if the Work required on the other portions of the Work to furnish such Building Services to the Occupied Portion is not entirely completed at the time the Owner begins to occupy such Occupied Portion of the Work, the Contractor shall make reasonable efforts to complete such Work or make temporary provisions for such Work in the other portions of the Work to provide the Building Services to the Occupied Portion as soon as reasonably possible so that such Building Services to the Occupied Portion may timely be put into operation and use.

#### **§ 9.10 Final Completion and Final Payment**

**§ 9.10.1** Upon receipt of the Contractor's notice that the Work is ready for final inspection and acceptance and upon receipt of a final Application for Payment, the Architect will promptly make such inspection. When the Architect finds the Work acceptable under the Contract Documents and the Contract fully performed, the Architect will promptly issue a final Certificate for Payment stating that to the best of the Architect's knowledge, information and belief, and on the basis of the Architect's on-site visits and inspections, the Work has been completed in accordance with the Contract Documents and that the entire balance found to be due the Contractor and noted in the final Certificate is due and payable. The Architect's final Certificate for Payment will constitute a further representation that conditions listed in Section 9.10.2 as precedent to the Contractor's being entitled to final payment have been fulfilled.

**§ 9.10.2** Neither final payment nor any remaining retained percentage shall become due until the Contractor submits to the Architect (1) an affidavit that payrolls, bills for materials and equipment, and other indebtedness connected with the Work for which the Owner or the Owner's property might be responsible or encumbered (less amounts withheld by Owner) have been paid or otherwise satisfied, (2) a certificate evidencing that insurance required by the Contract Documents to remain in force after final payment is currently in effect, (3) a written statement that the Contractor knows of no reason that the insurance will not be renewable to cover the period required by the Contract Documents, (4) consent of surety, if any, to final payment, (5) documentation of any special warranties, such as manufacturers' warranties or specific Subcontractor warranties, and (6) if required by the Owner, other data establishing payment or satisfaction of obligations, such as receipts and releases and waivers of liens, claims, security interests, or encumbrances arising out of the Contract, to the extent and in such form as may be designated by the Owner. If a Subcontractor refuses to furnish a release or waiver required by the Owner, the Contractor may furnish a bond satisfactory to the Owner to indemnify the Owner against such lien, claim, security interest, or encumbrance. If a lien, claim, security interest, or encumbrance remains unsatisfied after payments are made, the Contractor shall refund to the Owner all money that the Owner may be compelled to pay in discharging the lien, claim, security interest, or encumbrance, including all costs and reasonable attorneys' fees.

**§ 9.10.3** If, after Substantial Completion of the Work, final completion thereof is materially delayed through no fault of the Contractor or by issuance of Change Orders affecting final completion, and the Architect so confirms, the Owner shall, upon application by the Contractor and certification by the Architect, and without terminating the Contract, make payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed, corrected, and accepted. If the remaining balance for Work not fully completed or corrected is less than retainage stipulated in the Contract Documents, and if bonds have been furnished, the written consent of the surety to payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted shall be submitted by the Contractor to the Architect prior to certification of such payment. Such payment shall be made under terms and conditions governing final payment, except that it shall not constitute a waiver of Claims.

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**§ 9.10.5** Acceptance of final payment by the Contractor, a Subcontractor, or a supplier, shall constitute a waiver of claims by that payee except those previously made in writing and identified by that payee as unsettled at the time of final Application for Payment.

### **ARTICLE 10 PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

#### **§ 10.1 Safety Precautions and Programs**

The Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the performance of the Contract.

## **§ 10.2 Safety of Persons and Property**

**§ 10.2.1** The Contractor shall take reasonable precautions for safety of, and shall provide reasonable protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to

- .1 employees on the Work and other persons who may be affected thereby;
- .2 the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site, under care, custody, or control of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, or a Sub-subcontractor; and
- .3 other property at the site or adjacent thereto, such as trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, and utilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.

**§ 10.2.2** The Contractor shall comply with, and give notices required by applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, and lawful orders of public authorities, bearing on safety of persons or property or their protection from damage, injury, or loss.

**§ 10.2.3** The Contractor shall implement, erect, and maintain, as required by existing conditions and performance of the Contract, reasonable safeguards for safety and protection, including posting danger signs and other warnings against hazards; promulgating safety regulations; and notifying the owners and users of adjacent sites and utilities of the safeguards.

**§ 10.2.4** When use or storage of explosives or other hazardous materials or equipment, or unusual methods are necessary for execution of the Work, the Contractor shall exercise utmost care and carry on such activities under supervision of properly qualified personnel.

**§ 10.2.5** The Contractor shall promptly remedy damage and loss (other than damage or loss insured under property insurance required by the Contract Documents) to property referred to in Sections 10.2.1.2 and 10.2.1.3 caused in whole or in part by the Contractor, a Subcontractor, a Sub-subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or by anyone for whose acts they may be liable and for which the Contractor is responsible under Sections 10.2.1.2 and 10.2.1.3. The Contractor may make a Claim for the cost to remedy the damage or loss to the extent such damage or loss is attributable to acts or omissions of the Owner or Architect or anyone directly or indirectly employed by either of them, or by anyone for whose acts either of them may be liable, and not attributable to the fault or negligence of the Contractor. The foregoing obligations of the Contractor are in addition to the Contractor's obligations under Section 3.18.

**§ 10.2.6** The Contractor shall designate a responsible member of the Contractor's organization at the site whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents. This person shall be the Contractor's superintendent unless otherwise designated by the Contractor in writing to the Owner and Architect.

**§ 10.2.7** The Contractor shall not permit any part of the construction or site to be loaded so as to cause damage or create an unsafe condition.

### **§ 10.2.8 Injury or Damage to Person or Property**

If either party suffers injury or damage to person or property because of an act or omission of the other party, or of others for whose acts such party is legally responsible, notice of the injury or damage, whether or not insured, shall be given to the other party within a reasonable time not exceeding 21 days after discovery. The notice shall provide sufficient detail to enable the other party to investigate the matter.

## **§ 10.3 Hazardous Materials and Substances**

**§ 10.3.1** The terms "hazardous material or substance" and "hazardous materials or substances" shall have the meaning given to "hazardous substance" as specified in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended from time to time ("CERCLA") and includes "solid waste" as defined in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended from time to time ("RCRA"). If either CERCLA or RCRA is amended to broaden the meaning of any term defined thereby, the broader meaning shall apply after the effective date of the amendment. To the extent that Texas law establishes a meaning for "hazardous substance" or "solid waste" that is broader than that specified in either CERCLA or RCRA, the broader meaning shall apply. The Contractor is responsible for compliance with any requirements included in the Contract Documents regarding hazardous materials. If the Contractor encounters a hazardous material or substance not addressed in the Contract Documents and if reasonable precautions will be inadequate to prevent foreseeable bodily injury or death to persons

resulting from a hazardous material or substance, including but not limited to asbestos or polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB), encountered on the site by the Contractor, the Contractor shall, upon recognizing the condition, immediately stop Work in the affected area and notify the Owner and Architect of the condition.

**§ 10.3.2** Upon receipt of the Contractor's notice, the Owner shall obtain the services of a licensed laboratory to verify the presence or absence of the hazardous material or substance reported by the Contractor and, in the event such hazardous material or substance is found to be present, to cause it to be rendered harmless. Unless otherwise required by the Contract Documents, the Owner shall furnish in writing to the Contractor and Architect the names and qualifications of persons or entities who are to perform tests verifying the presence or absence of the hazardous material or substance or who are to perform the task of removal or safe containment of the hazardous material or substance. The Contractor and the Architect will promptly reply to the Owner in writing stating whether or not either has reasonable objection to the persons or entities proposed by the Owner. If either the Contractor or Architect has an objection to a person or entity proposed by the Owner, the Owner shall propose another to whom the Contractor and the Architect have no reasonable objection. When the hazardous material or substance has been rendered harmless, Work in the affected area shall resume upon written agreement of the Owner and Contractor. By Change Order, the Contract Time shall be extended appropriately and the Contract Sum shall be increased by the amount of the Contractor's reasonable additional costs of shutdown, delay, and start-up.

**§ 10.3.3** To the fullest extent permitted by applicable Texas law, the Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless the Contractor, Subcontractors, Architect, Architect's consultants, and agents and employees of any of them from and against claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the Work in the affected area if in fact the hazardous material or substance presents the risk of bodily injury or death as described in Section 10.3.1 and has not been rendered harmless, provided that such claim, damage, loss, or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), except to the extent that such damage, loss, or expense is due to the fault or negligence of the party seeking indemnity.

**§ 10.3.4** The Owner shall not be responsible under this Section 10.3 for hazardous materials or substances the Contractor brings to the site unless such hazardous materials or substances are required by the Contract Documents. The Owner shall be responsible for hazardous materials or substances required by the Contract Documents, except to the extent of the Contractor's fault or negligence in the use and handling of such hazardous materials or substances.

**§ 10.3.5** The Contractor shall reimburse the Owner for the cost and expense the Owner incurs (1) for remediation of hazardous materials or substances the Contractor brings to the site and negligently handles, or (2) where the Contractor fails to perform its obligations under Section 10.3.1, except to the extent that the cost and expense are due to the Owner's fault or negligence.

**§ 10.3.6** If, without negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Contractor, the Contractor is held liable by a government agency for the cost of remediation of a hazardous material or substance solely by reason of performing Work as required by the Contract Documents, the Owner shall, to the extent permitted by applicable Texas law, indemnify the Contractor for all cost and expense thereby reasonably incurred.

## **§ 10.4 Emergencies**

In an emergency affecting safety of persons or property, the Contractor shall act, at the Contractor's discretion, to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss. Additional compensation or extension of time claimed by the Contractor on account of an emergency shall be determined as provided in Article 15 and Article 7.

## **ARTICLE 11 INSURANCE AND BONDS**

### **§ 11.1 Contractor's Insurance and Bonds**

**§ 11.1.1** The Contractor shall purchase and maintain insurance of the types and limits of liability, containing the endorsements, and subject to the terms and conditions, as set forth in **Exhibit A**. The Contractor shall purchase and maintain the required insurance from an insurance company or insurance companies lawfully authorized to issue insurance in the jurisdiction where the Project is located. The Owner, Architect, and Architect's consultants shall be named as additional insureds under the Contractor's commercial general liability policy or as otherwise described in the Contract Documents.

§ 11.1.2 The Contractor shall provide surety bonds of the types, for such penal sums, and subject to such terms and conditions as required by the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall purchase and maintain the required bonds from a company or companies lawfully authorized to issue surety bonds in the jurisdiction where the Project is located.

§ 11.1.3 Upon the request of any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of bonds covering payment of obligations arising under the Contract, the Contractor shall promptly furnish a copy of the bonds or shall authorize a copy to be furnished.

§ 11.1.4 **Notice of Cancellation or Expiration of Contractor's Required Insurance.** Within three (3) business days of the date the Contractor becomes aware of an impending or actual cancellation or expiration of any insurance required by the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall provide notice to the Owner of such impending or actual cancellation or expiration. Upon receipt of notice from the Contractor, the Owner shall, unless the lapse in coverage arises from an act or omission of the Owner, have the right to stop the Work until the lapse in coverage has been cured by the procurement of replacement coverage by the Contractor. The furnishing of notice by the Contractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any contractual obligation to provide any required coverage.

## § 11.2 Owner's Insurance

§ 11.2.1 The Owner is a political subdivision of the State of Texas, subject to the Texas Tort Claims Act (Tex. Civil Practice & Remedies Code Chapter 101), under which liability of Owner for tort claims is limited as provided in the Texas Tort Claims Act. The Owner is responsible for purchasing and maintaining or otherwise providing only such liability insurance, as Owner, in its sole discretion, may choose to purchase or provide. Owner may, in its sole discretion, self-insure as to all or any portion thereof.

§ 11.2.2 **Failure to Purchase Required Property Insurance.** The Contractor may, at its own cost and expense and in its sole discretion, obtain insurance that will protect the interests of the Contractor, Subcontractors, and Sub-Subcontractors in the Work.

§ 11.2.3 See **Exhibit A.**

## § 11.3 Waivers of Subrogation

§ 11.3.1 The Owner and Contractor waive all rights against (1) each other and any of their subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, agents, and employees, each of the other; (2) the Architect and Architect's consultants; and (3) Separate Contractors, if any, and any of their subcontractors, sub-subcontractors, agents, and employees, for damages caused by fire, or other causes of loss, but such waiver is limited to the extent those losses are covered by property insurance required by or otherwise provided as described in the Agreement or other property insurance applicable to the Project, and such waiver does not include any rights as each of them respectively has to proceeds of such insurance. The Owner or Contractor, as appropriate, shall require similar written waivers in favor of the individuals and entities identified above from the Architect, Architect's consultants, Separate Contractors, subcontractors, and sub-subcontractors. The policies of insurance purchased and maintained by each person or entity agreeing to waive claims pursuant to this section 11.3.1 shall not prohibit this waiver of subrogation. This waiver of subrogation shall be effective as to a person or entity (1) even though that person or entity would otherwise have a duty of indemnification, contractual or otherwise, (2) even though that person or entity did not pay the insurance premium directly or indirectly, or (3) whether or not the person or entity had an insurable interest in the damaged property.

§ 11.3.2 If during the Project construction period the Owner insures properties, real or personal or both, at or adjacent to the site by property insurance under policies separate from those insuring the Project, or if after final payment property insurance is to be provided on the completed Project through a policy or policies other than those insuring the Project during the construction period, to the extent permissible by such policies, the Owner waives all rights in accordance with the terms of Section 11.3.1 for damages caused by fire or other causes of loss covered by this separate property insurance.

## § 11.4 Loss of Use, Business Interruption, and Delay in Completion Insurance

The Owner, at the Owner's option, may purchase and maintain insurance that will protect the Owner against loss of use of the Owner's property, or the inability to conduct normal operations, due to fire or other causes of loss. The Owner waives all rights of action against the Contractor and Architect for loss of use of the Owner's property, due to fire or other hazards however caused.

### **§11.5 Adjustment and Settlement of Insured Loss**

**§ 11.5.1** A loss insured under the property insurance required by the Agreement shall be adjusted by the Owner as fiduciary and made payable to the Owner as fiduciary for the insureds, as their interests may appear, subject to requirements of any applicable mortgagee clause and of Section 11.5.2. The Owner shall pay the Architect and Contractor their just shares of insurance proceeds received by the Owner, and by appropriate agreements the Architect and Contractor shall make payments to their consultants and Subcontractors in similar manner.

**§ 11.5.2** Prior to settlement of an insured loss, the Owner shall notify the Contractor of the terms of the proposed settlement as well as the proposed allocation of the insurance proceeds. The Contractor shall have 14 days from receipt of notice to object to the proposed settlement or allocation of the proceeds. If the Contractor does not object, the Owner shall settle the loss and the Contractor shall be bound by the settlement and allocation. Upon receipt, the Owner shall deposit the insurance proceeds in a separate account and make the appropriate distributions. Thereafter, if no other agreement is made or the Owner does not terminate the Contract for convenience, the Owner and Contractor shall execute a Change Order for reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed Work in the amount allocated for that purpose. If the Contractor timely objects to either the terms of the proposed settlement or the allocation of the proceeds, the Owner may proceed to settle the insured loss, and any dispute between the Owner and Contractor arising out of the settlement or allocation of the proceeds shall be resolved pursuant to Article 15. Pending resolution of any dispute, the Owner may issue a Construction Change Directive for the reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed Work.

## **ARTICLE 12 UNCOVERING AND CORRECTION OF WORK**

### **§ 12.1 Uncovering of Work**

**§ 12.1.1** If a portion of the Work is covered contrary to the Architect's request or to requirements specifically expressed in the Contract Documents, it must, if requested in writing by the Architect, be uncovered for the Architect's examination and be replaced at the Contractor's expense without change in the Contract Time.

**§ 12.1.2** If a portion of the Work has been covered that the Architect has not specifically requested to examine prior to its being covered, the Architect may request to see such Work and it shall be uncovered by the Contractor. If such Work is in accordance with the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment to the Contract Sum and Contract Time as may be appropriate. If such Work is not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the costs of uncovering the Work, and the cost of correction, shall be at the Contractor's expense.

### **§ 12.2 Correction of Work**

#### **§ 12.2.1 Before Substantial Completion**

The Contractor shall promptly correct Work rejected by the Architect or failing to conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents, discovered before Substantial Completion and whether or not fabricated, installed or completed. Costs of correcting such rejected Work, including additional testing and inspections, the cost of uncovering and replacement, and compensation for the Architect's services and expenses made necessary thereby, shall be at the Contractor's expense.

#### **§ 12.2.2 After Substantial Completion**

**§ 12.2.2.1** In addition to the Contractor's obligations under Section 3.5, if, within one year after the date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof or after the date for commencement of warranties established under Section 9.9.1, or by terms of any applicable special warranty required by the Contract Documents, any of the Work is found to be not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall correct it promptly after receipt of notice from the Owner to do so, unless the Owner has previously given the Contractor a written acceptance of such condition. The Owner shall give such notice promptly after discovery of the condition. During the one-year period for correction of Work, if the Owner fails to notify the Contractor and give the Contractor an opportunity to make the correction, the Owner waives the rights to require correction by the Contractor and to make a claim for breach of warranty. If the Contractor fails to correct nonconforming Work within a reasonable time during that period after receipt of notice from the Owner or Architect, the Owner may correct it in accordance with Section 2.5.

**§ 12.2.2.2** The one-year period for correction of Work shall be extended with respect to portions of Work first performed after Substantial Completion by the period of time between Substantial Completion and the actual completion of that portion of the Work.

§ 12.2.2.3 The one-year period for correction of Work shall not be extended by corrective Work performed by the Contractor pursuant to this Section 12.2.

§ 12.2.3 The Contractor shall remove from the site portions of the Work that are not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents and are neither corrected by the Contractor nor accepted by the Owner.

§ 12.2.4 The Contractor shall bear the cost of correcting destroyed or damaged construction of the Owner or Separate Contractors, whether completed or partially completed, caused by the Contractor's correction or removal of Work that is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

§ 12.2.5 Nothing contained in this Section 12.2 shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to other obligations the Contractor has under the Contract Documents. Establishment of the one-year period for correction of Work as described in Section 12.2.2 relates only to the specific obligation of the Contractor to correct the Work, and has no relationship to the time within which the obligation to comply with the Contract Documents may be sought to be enforced, nor to the time within which proceedings may be commenced to establish the Contractor's liability with respect to the Contractor's obligations other than specifically to correct the Work.

### § 12.3 Acceptance of Nonconforming Work

If the Owner prefers to accept Work that is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents, the Owner may do so instead of requiring its removal and correction, in which case the Contract Sum will be reduced as appropriate and equitable. Such adjustment shall be effected whether or not final payment has been made.

## ARTICLE 13 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

### § 13.1 Governing Law

The Contract shall be governed by the law of the State of Texas, excluding any applicable choice of law rules.

### § 13.2 Successors and Assigns

§ 13.2.1 The Owner and Contractor respectively bind themselves, their partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives to covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents. Except as provided in Section 13.2.2, neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract as a whole without written consent of the other. If either party attempts to make an assignment without such consent, that party shall nevertheless remain legally responsible for all obligations under the Contract.

### § 13.2.2 Omitted Intentionally.

### § 13.3 Rights and Remedies

§ 13.3.1 Duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to and not a limitation of duties, obligations, rights, and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.

§ 13.3.2 No action or failure to act by the Owner, Architect, or Contractor shall constitute a waiver of a right or duty afforded them under the Contract, nor shall such action or failure to act constitute approval of or acquiescence in a breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed upon in writing.

### § 13.4 Tests and Inspections

§ 13.4.1 Tests, inspections, and approvals of portions of the Work shall be made as required by the Contract Documents and by applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules, and regulations or lawful orders of public authorities. Unless otherwise provided, the Contractor shall make arrangements for such tests, inspections, and approvals with an independent testing laboratory or entity acceptable to the Owner, or with the appropriate public authority, and shall bear all related costs of tests, inspections, and approvals. The Contractor shall give the Architect timely notice of when and where tests and inspections are to be made so that the Architect may be present for such procedures. The Owner shall bear costs of tests, inspections, or approvals that do not become requirements until after bids are received or negotiations concluded. The Owner shall directly arrange and pay for tests, inspections, or approvals where building codes or applicable laws or regulations so require.

§ 13.4.2 If the Architect, Owner, or public authorities having jurisdiction determine that portions of the Work require additional testing, inspection, or approval not included under Section 13.4.1, the Architect will, upon written

authorization from the Owner, instruct the Contractor to make arrangements for such additional testing, inspection, or approval, by an entity acceptable to the Owner, and the Contractor shall give timely notice to the Architect of when and where tests and inspections are to be made so that the Architect may be present for such procedures. Such costs, except as provided in Section 13.4.3, shall be at the Owner's expense.

§ 13.4.3 If procedures for testing, inspection, or approval under Sections 13.4.1 and 13.4.2 reveal failure of the portions of the Work to comply with requirements established by the Contract Documents, all costs made necessary by such failure, including those of repeated procedures and compensation for the Architect's services and expenses, shall be at the Contractor's expense.

§ 13.4.4 Required certificates of testing, inspection, or approval shall, unless otherwise required by the Contract Documents, be secured by the Contractor and promptly delivered to the Architect.

§ 13.4.5 If the Architect is to observe tests, inspections, or approvals required by the Contract Documents, the Architect will do so promptly and, where practicable, at the normal place of testing.

§ 13.4.6 Tests or inspections conducted pursuant to the Contract Documents shall be made promptly to avoid unreasonable delay in the Work.

### § 13.5 Interest

Payments due and unpaid under the Contract Documents shall bear interest from the date payment is due at such rate as the parties may agree upon in writing or, in the absence thereof, at the legal rate established by applicable Texas law under Texas Government Code Sections 2251.022 and 2251.025.

## ARTICLE 14 TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF THE CONTRACT

### § 14.1 Termination by the Contractor

§ 14.1.1 The Contractor may terminate the Contract if the Work is stopped for a period of 30 consecutive days through no act or fault of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, a Sub-subcontractor, their agents or employees, or any other persons or entities performing portions of the Work, for any of the following reasons:

- .1 Issuance of an order of a court or other public authority having jurisdiction that requires all Work to be stopped;
- .2 An act of government, such as a declaration of national emergency, that requires all Work to be stopped;
- .3 Because the Architect has not issued a Certificate for Payment and has not notified the Contractor of the reason for withholding certification as provided in Section 9.4.1, or because the Owner has not made payment on a Certificate for Payment within the time stated in the Contract Documents; or
- .4 The Owner has failed to furnish to the Contractor reasonable evidence as required by Section 2.2.

§ 14.1.2 The Contractor may terminate the Contract if, through no act or fault of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, a Sub-subcontractor, their agents or employees, or any other persons or entities performing portions of the Work, repeated suspensions, delays, or interruptions of the entire Work by the Owner as described in Section 14.3, constitute in the aggregate more than 100 percent of the total number of days scheduled for completion, or 120 days in any 365-day period, whichever is less.

§ 14.1.3 If one of the reasons described in Section 14.1.1 or 14.1.2 exists, the Contractor may, upon seven days' notice to the Owner and Architect, terminate the Contract and recover from the Owner payment for Work executed, as well as reasonable overhead and profit on Work not executed, and costs incurred by reason of such termination.

§ 14.1.4 If the Work is stopped for a period of 60 consecutive days through no act or fault of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, a Sub-subcontractor, or their agents or employees or any other persons or entities performing portions of the Work because the Owner has repeatedly failed to fulfill the Owner's obligations under the Contract Documents with respect to matters important to the progress of the Work, the Contractor may, upon seven additional days' notice to the Owner and the Architect, terminate the Contract and recover from the Owner as provided in Section 14.1.3.

### § 14.2 Termination by the Owner for Cause

§ 14.2.1 The Owner may terminate the Contract if the Contractor

- .1 repeatedly refuses or fails to supply enough properly skilled workers or proper materials;

- .2 fails to make payment to Subcontractors or suppliers in accordance with the respective agreements between the Contractor and the Subcontractors or suppliers;
- .3 repeatedly disregards applicable laws, statutes, ordinances, codes, rules and regulations, or lawful orders of a public authority; or
- .4 otherwise is guilty of substantial breach of a provision of the Contract Documents.

**§ 14.2.2** When any of the reasons described in Section 14.2.1 exist, and upon certification by the Architect that sufficient cause exists to justify such action, the Owner may, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies of the Owner and after giving the Contractor and the Contractor's surety, if any, seven days' notice, terminate employment of the Contractor and may, subject to any prior rights of the surety:

- .1 Exclude the Contractor from the site and take possession of all materials, equipment, tools, and construction equipment and machinery thereon owned by the Contractor;
- .2 Accept assignment of subcontracts pursuant to Section 5.4; and
- .3 Finish the Work by whatever reasonable method the Owner may deem expedient. Upon written request of the Contractor, the Owner shall furnish to the Contractor a detailed accounting of the costs incurred by the Owner in finishing the Work.

**§ 14.2.3** When the Owner terminates the Contract for one of the reasons stated in Section 14.2.1, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive further payment until the Work is finished.

**§ 14.2.4** If the unpaid balance of the Contract Sum exceeds costs of finishing the Work, including compensation for the Architect's services and expenses made necessary thereby, and other damages incurred by the Owner and not expressly waived, such excess shall be paid to the Contractor. If such costs and damages exceed the unpaid balance, the Contractor shall pay the difference to the Owner. The amount to be paid to the Contractor or Owner, as the case may be, shall be certified by the Initial Decision Maker, upon application, and this obligation for payment shall survive termination of the Contract.

#### **§ 14.3 Suspension by the Owner for Convenience**

**§ 14.3.1** The Owner may, without cause, order the Contractor in writing to suspend, delay or interrupt the Work, in whole or in part for such period of time as the Owner may determine.

**§ 14.3.2** The Contract Sum and Contract Time shall be adjusted for increases in the cost and time caused by suspension, delay, or interruption under Section 14.3.1. Adjustment of the Contract Sum shall include profit. No adjustment shall be made to the extent

- .1 that performance is, was, or would have been, so suspended, delayed, or interrupted, by another cause for which the Contractor is responsible; or
- .2 that an equitable adjustment is made or denied under another provision of the Contract.

#### **§ 14.4 Termination by the Owner for Convenience**

**§ 14.4.1** The Owner may, at any time, terminate the Contract for the Owner's convenience and without cause.

**§ 14.4.2** Upon receipt of notice from the Owner of such termination for the Owner's convenience, the Contractor shall

- .1 cease operations as directed by the Owner in the notice;
- .2 take actions necessary, or that the Owner may direct, for the protection and preservation of the Work; and
- .3 except for Work directed to be performed prior to the effective date of termination stated in the notice, terminate all existing subcontracts and purchase orders and enter into no further subcontracts and purchase orders.

**§ 14.4.3** In case of such termination for the Owner's convenience, the Owner shall pay the Contractor for Work properly executed; costs incurred by reason of the termination, including costs attributable to termination of Subcontracts; and the termination fee, if any, set forth in accordance with the provisions of Section 14.1.3 and substantiated in accordance with the provision of 7.3.7 and 7.3.11.



## **ARTICLE 15 CLAIMS AND DISPUTES**

### **§ 15.1 Claims**

#### **§ 15.1.1 Definition**

A Claim is a demand or assertion by one of the parties seeking, as a matter of right, payment of money, a change in the Contract Time, or other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract. The term "Claim" also includes other disputes and matters in question between the Owner and Contractor arising out of or relating to the Contract. The responsibility to substantiate Claims shall rest with the party making the Claim. This Section 15.1.1 does not require the Owner to file a Claim in order to impose liquidated damages in accordance with the Contract Documents.

#### **§ 15.1.2 Time Limits on Claims**

The Owner and Contractor shall commence all Claims and causes of action against the other and arising out of or related to the Contract, whether in contract, tort, breach of warranty or otherwise, in a court of competent jurisdiction in Tarrant County, Texas and within the period specified by applicable Texas law, but in any case not more than 10 years after the date of Substantial Completion of the Work. The Owner and Contractor waive all Claims and causes of action not commenced in accordance with this Section 15.1.2.

#### **§ 15.1.3 Notice of Claims**

**§ 15.1.3.1** Claims by either the Owner or Contractor, where the condition giving rise to the Claim is first discovered prior to expiration of the period for correction of the Work set forth in Section 12.2.2, shall be initiated by notice to the other party and to the Initial Decision Maker with a copy sent to the Architect, if the Architect is not serving as the Initial Decision Maker. Claims by either party under this Section 15.1.3.1 shall be initiated within 21 days after occurrence of the event giving rise to such Claim or within 21 days after the claimant first recognizes the condition giving rise to the Claim, whichever is later.

**§ 15.1.3.2** Claims by either the Owner or Contractor, where the condition giving rise to the Claim is first discovered after expiration of the period for correction of the Work set forth in Section 12.2.2, shall be initiated by notice to the other party. In such event, no decision by the Initial Decision Maker is required.

#### **§ 15.1.4 Continuing Contract Performance**

**§ 15.1.4.1** Pending final resolution of a Claim, except as otherwise agreed in writing or as provided in Section 9.7 and Article 14, the Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of the Contract and the Owner shall continue to make payments in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**§ 15.1.4.2** The Contract Sum and Contract Time shall be adjusted in accordance with the Initial Decision Maker's decision, subject to the right of either party to proceed in accordance with this Article 15. The Architect will issue Certificates for Payment in accordance with the decision of the Initial Decision Maker.

#### **§ 15.1.5 Claims for Additional Cost**

If the Contractor wishes to make a Claim for an increase in the Contract Sum, notice as provided in Section 15.1.3 shall be given before proceeding to execute the portion of the Work that is the subject of the Claim. Prior notice is not required for Claims relating to an emergency endangering life or property arising under Section 10.4.

#### **§ 15.1.6 Claims for Additional Time**

**§ 15.1.6.1** If the Contractor wishes to make a Claim for an increase in the Contract Time, notice as provided in Section 15.1.3 shall be given. The Contractor's Claim shall include an estimate of cost and of probable effect of delay on progress of the Work. In the case of a continuing delay, only one Claim is necessary.

**§ 15.1.6.2** If adverse weather conditions are the basis for a Claim for additional time, such Claim shall be documented by data substantiating that weather conditions were abnormal for the period of time, could not have been reasonably anticipated, and had an adverse effect on the scheduled construction.

#### **§ 15.1.7 Waiver of Claims for Consequential Damages**

The Contractor and Owner waive Claims against each other for consequential damages arising out of or relating to this Contract. This mutual waiver includes

- .1 damages incurred by the Owner for rental expenses, for losses of use, income, profit, financing, business and reputation, and for loss of management or employee productivity or of the services of such persons; and

- .2 damages incurred by the Contractor for principal office expenses including the compensation of personnel stationed there, for losses of financing, business and reputation, and for loss of profit, except anticipated profit arising directly from the Work.

This mutual waiver is applicable, without limitation, to all consequential damages due to either party's termination in accordance with Article 14. Nothing contained in this Section 15.1.7 shall be deemed to preclude assessment of liquidated damages, when applicable, in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

## **§ 15.2 Initial Decision**

**§ 15.2.1** Claims, excluding those where the condition giving rise to the Claim is first discovered after expiration of the period for correction of the Work set forth in Section 12.2.2 or arising under Sections 10.3, 10.4, and 11.5, shall be referred to the Initial Decision Maker for initial decision. The Architect will serve as the Initial Decision Maker, unless otherwise indicated in the Agreement. Except for those Claims excluded by this Section 15.2.1, an initial decision shall be required as a condition precedent to mediation of any Claim. If an initial decision has not been rendered within 30 days after the Claim has been referred to the Initial Decision Maker, the party asserting the Claim may demand mediation without a decision having been rendered. Unless the Initial Decision Maker and all affected parties agree, the Initial Decision Maker will not decide disputes between the Contractor and persons or entities other than the Owner.

**§ 15.2.2** The Initial Decision Maker will review Claims and within ten days of the receipt of a Claim take one or more of the following actions: (1) request additional supporting data from the claimant or a response with supporting data from the other party, (2) reject the Claim in whole or in part, (3) approve the Claim, (4) suggest a compromise, or (5) advise the parties that the Initial Decision Maker is unable to resolve the Claim if the Initial Decision Maker lacks sufficient information to evaluate the merits of the Claim or if the Initial Decision Maker concludes that, in the Initial Decision Maker's sole discretion, it would be inappropriate for the Initial Decision Maker to resolve the Claim.

**§ 15.2.3** In evaluating Claims, the Initial Decision Maker may, but shall not be obligated to, consult with or seek information from either party or from persons with special knowledge or expertise who may assist the Initial Decision Maker in rendering a decision. The Initial Decision Maker may request the Owner to authorize retention of such persons at the Owner's expense.

**§ 15.2.4** If the Initial Decision Maker requests a party to provide a response to a Claim or to furnish additional supporting data, such party shall respond, within ten days after receipt of the request, and shall either (1) provide a response on the requested supporting data, (2) advise the Initial Decision Maker when the response or supporting data will be furnished, or (3) advise the Initial Decision Maker that no supporting data will be furnished. Upon receipt of the response or supporting data, if any, the Initial Decision Maker will either reject or approve the Claim in whole or in part.

**§ 15.2.5** The Initial Decision Maker will render an initial decision approving or rejecting the Claim, or indicating that the Initial Decision Maker is unable to resolve the Claim. This initial decision shall (1) be in writing; (2) state the reasons therefor; and (3) notify the parties and the Architect, if the Architect is not serving as the Initial Decision Maker, of any change in the Contract Sum or Contract Time or both. The initial decision shall be final and binding on the parties but subject to mediation and, if the parties fail to resolve their dispute through mediation, to the applicable legal remedies available in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

**§ 15.2.6** Either party may file for mediation of an initial decision at any time, subject to the terms of Section 15.2.6.1.

**§ 15.2.6.1** Either party may, within 30 days from the date of receipt of an initial decision, demand in writing that the other party file for mediation. If such a demand is made and the party receiving the demand fails to file for mediation within 30 days after receipt thereof, then both parties waive their rights to mediate or pursue other applicable legal remedies with respect to the initial decision.

**§ 15.2.7** In the event of a Claim against the Contractor, the Owner may, but is not obligated to, notify the surety, if any, of the nature and amount of the Claim. If the Claim relates to a possibility of a Contractor's default, the Owner may, but is not obligated to, notify the surety and request the surety's assistance in resolving the controversy.

§ 15.2.8 If a Claim relates to or is the subject of a mechanic's lien, the party asserting such Claim may proceed in accordance with applicable law to comply with the lien notice or filing deadlines.

### § 15.3 Mediation

§ 15.3.1 Claims, disputes, or other matters in controversy arising out of or related to the Contract except those waived as provided for in Sections 9.10.4, 9.10.5, and 15.1.6 may, if both Contractor and Owner then agree to do so, be subject to mediation as a condition precedent to the institution of legal or equitable proceedings by either party.

§ 15.3.2 If the parties then agree to mediate any Claim, the parties shall endeavor to resolve their Claims by mediation which, unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, shall be administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Construction Industry Mediation Procedures in effect on the date of the Agreement.

§ 15.3.3 If the parties then agree to mediate any Claim, the parties shall share the mediator's fee and any filing fees equally. The mediation shall be held in the place where the Project is located, unless another location is mutually agreed upon. Agreements reached in mediation shall be enforceable as settlement agreements in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

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## ARTICLE 16 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS

### § 16 COMPLIANCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DOCUMENT REQUIREMENTS

§ 16.1 The Contractor will make available upon written request by the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Comptroller General, or their duly authorized representative, any and all contracts, books, documents and records necessary to certify the nature and extent of the cost of such services as required by United States Code, Title 42 Chapter 7, Subchapter XVIII, Part E, Section 1395x, Subsection (v)(1)(I) (1965 & Supp. 1, 1978), as amended by Act of December 5, 1980 Pub. L. 96-499, and such other criteria and procedures as may be developed by the Department of Health and Human Services. Such contracts, books, documents and records shall be retained and maintained by Contractor for the period ending four (4) years after the date of Final Completion of the Project.

§ 16.2 If the Contractor carries out any of the duties or obligations under this Contract by entering into any subcontract with any other persons, corporation or individual, which subcontract has a total value or cost for such subcontracted duties or services which is equal to or in excess of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) over any 12 month period, said subcontract shall contain a clause titled "Availability of Records" and providing for the availability of such subcontract, books, documents and records necessary to certify the cost of such services subcontracted in the same manner and for the same time period as provided for Contractor in Section 15.1.

## ARTICLE 17 TARRANT COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT HISTORICALLY UNDERUTILIZED/ SMALL, MINORITY, WOMEN AND VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROCEDURE

§ 17 Contractor acknowledges that it is the policy of Owner to involve Historically Underutilized Business/Small, Minority, Women and Veteran Business Enterprises ("HUB/SMWVBE") in its procurement practices and to provide equal opportunities to compete for construction contracts, provision of professional services, and the purchase of equipment and supplies required by the Owner. Attached hereto and incorporated herein for the

purposes of this Section 17 is the following attachment ("Good Faith Evaluation Form"):

**Good Faith Evaluation Form Regarding LD 6000/6001 Supplier Diversity Policy and Procedure Form**

The proposal submitted by Contractor in connection with the Contract was required to contain a submittal by Contractor of each of a fully completed Good Faith Evaluation Form, which becomes part of the Contract. Contractor further acknowledges and agrees that if the Good Faith Evaluation Form is not incomplete or unresponsive, then any bid proposal so submitted has the effect of rendering the entire Contractor's bid proposal non-responsive and unacceptable to Owner.

**ARTICLE 18 DRUG TESTING**

**§ 18** Owner reserves, and shall have, the right to perform random drug tests of the work force at the Project site during the performance of the Work. Contractor shall require each of its subcontractor's employees agree to such random drug testing as a condition of employment or engagement to work on the Project.

2. **Worker's Compensation/Employer's Liability.** Worker's Compensation insurance coverage must be provided for all workers at all tier levels and shall meet the statutory requirements of *Tex. Labor Code §401.011(44)* and, specific to construction projects for public entities, as required under *Tex. Labor Code §406.096*. Employer's Liability insurance must be provided as required in the chart above. In addition:

- .1 ***Certifications.*** Contractor hereby certifies, pursuant to *Tex. Labor Code §406.096(a)*, that Contractor provides or will provide at, or prior to, execution of the Agreement, workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance for employees employed on this public project with limits as indicated above. Pursuant to *Tex. Labor Code § 406.096(b)*, Contractor shall require each Subcontractor to certify in writing to the Contractor that said Subcontractor provides workers' compensation and employers' liability insurance for all of Subcontractor's employees employed on this public project. Contractor shall forward said certifications to Owner within **ten (10)** days of the Effective Date of the Agreement.
- .2 ***Endorsements.*** This policy must include an Other States Endorsement to include the Owner and Tarrant County, Texas if Contractor's business is domiciled outside the State of Texas. The policy will be endorsed to name Owner as the alternate employer.
- .3 All policies shall be endorsed to include Waiver of Subrogation in favor of Owner and all Indemnitees.
- .4 Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage.

A. Definitions:

Certificate of coverage ("certificate") - A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the division, or a coverage agreement (DWC Form-81, DWC Form-82, DWC Form-83, or DWC Form-84), showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the project.

Duration of the project - includes the time from the beginning of the work on the project until the Contractor's/person's work on the project has been completed and accepted by the governmental entity.

Persons providing services on the project ("subcontractor" in §406.096) - includes all persons or entities performing all or part of the services the Contractor has undertaken to perform on the project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the Contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractors, Consultants, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which furnishes persons to provide services on the project. "Services" include, without limitation, providing, hauling, or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or

other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets.

- B. The Contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all employees of the Contractor providing services on the project, for the duration of the project.
- C. The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage to the governmental entity prior to being awarded the contract.
- D. If the coverage period shown on the Contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project, the Contractor must, prior to the end of the coverage period, file a new certificate of coverage with the governmental entity showing that coverage has been extended.
- E. The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the governmental entity:
  - (1) a certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the project, so the governmental entity will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the project; and
  - (2) no later than seven days after receipt by the Contractor, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project.
- F. The Contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the project and for one year thereafter.
- G. The Contractor shall notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within 10 days after the Contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project.
- H. The Contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Division of Workers' Compensation informing all persons providing services on the project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.
- I. The Contractor shall contractually require each person with whom it contracts to provide services on a project, to:
  - (1) provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code,

Section 401.011(44) for all of its employees providing services on the project, for the duration of the project;

- (2) provide to the Contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the project, a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the project, for the duration of the project;
- (3) provide the Contractor, prior to the end of the coverage period, a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project;
- (4) obtain from each other person with whom it contracts, and provide to the Contractor:
  - (a) a certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the project; and
  - (b) a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of the coverage period, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the project;
- (5) retain all required certificates of coverage on file for the duration of the project and for one year thereafter;
- (6) notify the governmental entity in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within 10 days after the person knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the project; and
- (7) contractually require each person with whom it contracts, to perform as required by paragraphs (1) - (7), with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.

J. By signing this contract or providing or causing to be provided a certificate of coverage, the Contractor is representing to the governmental entity that all employees of the Contractor who will provide services on the project will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the project, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the division. Providing false or misleading information may subject the Contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.

K. The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the Contractor which entitles the governmental entity to declare the contract void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach

within ten days after receipt of notice of breach from the governmental entity.

**3. Commercial General Liability.** Commercial General Liability coverage (“CGL”) shall be provided by Contractor and all Subcontractors with the policy limits set forth in the chart above. Coverage shall be provided for claims including:

- .1 Claims under workers’ compensation, disability benefit and other similar employee benefit acts that are applicable to the Work to be performed;
- .2 Claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of the Contractor’s employees;
- .3 Claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than the Contractor’s employees;
- .4 Claims for damages insured by usual personal injury liability coverage;
- .5 Claims for damages, other than to the Work itself, because of injury to or destruction of tangible property, including loss of use resulting therefrom;
- .6 Claims for damages because of bodily injury, death of a person or property damage arising out of ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle;
- .7 Claims for bodily injury or property damage arising out of completed operations; and
- .8 the Contractor’s indemnity obligations under Section 3.18 of the General Conditions.

The Contractor’s Commercial General Liability policy under this Section A.3.2.2 shall not contain an exclusion or restriction of coverage for the following:

- .1 Claims by one insured against another insured, if the exclusion or restriction is based solely on the fact that the claimant is an insured, and there would otherwise be coverage for the claim.
- .2 Claims for property damage to the Contractor’s Work arising out of the products-completed operations hazard where the damaged Work or the Work out of which the damage arises was performed by a Subcontractor.
- .3 Claims for bodily injury other than to employees of the insured.
- .4 Claims for indemnity under Section 3.18 of the General Conditions arising out of injury to employees of the insured
- .5 Claims or loss excluded under a prior work endorsement or other similar exclusionary language.
- .6 Claims or loss due to physical damage under a prior injury endorsement or similar exclusionary language.



- .7 Claims related to residential, multi-family, or other habitational projects, if the Work is to be performed on such a project.
- .8 Claims related to roofing, if the Work involves roofing.
- .9 Claims related to exterior insulation finish systems (EIFS), synthetic stucco or similar exterior coatings or surfaces, if the Work involves such coatings or surfaces.
- .10 Claims related to earth subsidence or movement, where the Work involves such hazards.
- .11 Claims related to explosion, collapse and underground hazards, where the Work involves such hazards.

Property Damage Liability Insurance shall provide Broad Form Property Damage Liability coverage and XCU (Explosion, Collapse and Underground Property Damage Liability) coverage as applicable.

**4. Automobile Liability Insurance.** Automobile liability insurance policies shall be provided by Contractor and all Subcontractors with policy limits as stated in Paragraph 1 above. This policy shall cover liability arising out of any auto (including owned, hired, and non-owned autos) used in connection with the Work on the Project and shall include coverage for loading and unloading hazards.

**5. Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance.** An Excess or Umbrella liability insurance policy shall be provided by Contractor and all Subcontractors with policy limits as indicated in Paragraph 1. This policy shall be excess of the CGL, automobile liability, and employer's liability insurance on a "following form" basis of underlying policies. This policy shall be excess over and be no less broad than the CGL, Automobile Liability, Employer's Liability as described in these insurance requirements, including but not limited to the required additional insured status, designated project(s) and/or location(s), general aggregate, waiver of subrogation, notice of cancellation, and prohibited exclusions or limitations. The policy shall provide coverage where underlying primary insurance coverage limits are exhausted or otherwise unavailable or inadequate to cover a loss. Any excess or umbrella policy shall be kept in force at all times during the course of this Agreement and until all claims arising out of the Work are barred by the statute of repose provided under Texas law.

**6. Builder's Risk Coverage.** Contractor shall purchase and maintain, from an insurance company or insurance companies lawfully authorized to issue insurance in the jurisdiction where the Project is located, property insurance written on a builder's risk "all-risks" completed value or equivalent policy form and sufficient to cover the total value of the entire Project on a replacement cost basis. Such builder's risk property insurance coverage shall be no less than the amount of the initial Contract Sum, plus the value of subsequent Modifications and labor performed and materials or equipment supplied by others. The property insurance shall be maintained until Substantial Completion, unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents or otherwise agreed in writing by the parties to this Agreement. This insurance shall include the interests of the Owner, Contractor, Subcontractors, and Sub-subcontractors in the Project as insureds. The Contractor shall disclose to the Owner the amount of any deductible, and the Owner shall be responsible for losses within the deductible. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide the Owner with a copy of the property insurance policy or policies required. The Owner shall adjust and settle the loss with the insurer

and be the trustee of the proceeds of the property insurance in accordance with Article 11 of the General Conditions.

**7. Insurance Required of Subcontractors.** Each Subcontractor must provide all coverages identified above with limits as set forth in Paragraph 1 above. The limits of such insurance may be adjusted in accordance with the nature of each Subcontractor's operations but, if such adjustment is requested, it must be submitted to Owner for approval before the Subcontractor enters into an agreement or any Work commences under the agreement in question.

**8. Additional Insured Obligations.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall cause the commercial general liability coverage to include (1) the Owner, the Architect, and the Architect's consultants as additional insureds for claims caused in whole or in part by the Contractor's negligent acts or omissions during the Contractor's operations; and (2) the Owner as an additional insured for claims caused in whole or in part by the Contractor's negligent acts or omissions for which loss occurs during completed operations. The additional insured coverage shall be primary and non-contributory to any of the Owner's general liability insurance policies and shall apply to both ongoing and completed operations. To the extent commercially available, the additional insured coverage shall be no less than that provided by Insurance Services Office, Inc. (ISO) forms CG 20 10 07 01, CG 20 37 07 01, and, with respect to the Architect and the Architect's consultants, CG 20 32 07 01

**9. Certificates of Insurance.** The Contractor shall provide certificates of insurance acceptable to the Owner evidencing compliance with the requirements in this Exhibit at the following times: (1) prior to commencement of the Work; (2) upon renewal or replacement of each required policy of insurance; and (3) upon the Owner's written request. An additional certificate evidencing continuation of commercial liability coverage, including coverage for completed operations (and a provision that coverages afforded under the policies will not be canceled or allowed to expire until at least 60 days' prior written notice has been given to the Owner), shall be submitted with the final Application for Payment and thereafter upon renewal or replacement of such coverage until the expiration of the statute of repose. The certificates will show the Owner as an additional insured on the Contractor's Commercial General Liability and excess or umbrella liability policy or policies.

**10. Notification to Owner.** Any and all policies, endorsements, approvals, certificates of insurance and/or notifications of cancellation, non-renewal, or material change shall be transmitted to:

**Angie Morgan**  
**JPS Health Network**  
1500 South Main Street  
Fort Worth, Texas 76104  
Telephone: 817-702-4932  
Email: [amorgan@jpshealth.org](mailto:amorgan@jpshealth.org)

with a copy to:

**Daphne Walker**  
**Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer**  
1500 South Main Street  
Fort Worth, Texas 76104  
Telephone: 817-702-9988  
Email: [DWalker10@jpshealth.org](mailto:DWalker10@jpshealth.org)

**11. Required Insurance Coverages No Effect On Indemnification.** The insurance and insurance limits required herein shall not be deemed as a limitation on Contractor's liability under the indemnifications granted to Owner.

**12. Failure to Maintain Insurance.** Failure on the part of Contractor to procure and continuously maintain in effect any one or more of the insurance policies and coverages required by this Exhibit or in Section 11 of the General Terms and Conditions shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement. In addition to the remedies provided in the Agreement for material breach, and without limiting same, in the event of a material breach regarding insurance coverage and/or amounts, the Owner may, but shall have no obligation to, procure or renew any such required insurance policies and/or coverages and pay any and all premiums in connection therewith, and Contractor shall immediately repay all costs and expenses incurred by Owner in connection therewith upon demand by Owner, and the Owner shall have the right and privilege, at its sole election, to setoff such costs and expenses against the Contract Sum and any period payments thereof otherwise unpaid and due to Contractor, without prior notice to or consent of Contractor.

**13. No Warranty That Insurance Limits Will Be Adequate to Fully Protect Contractor.** The insurance requirements set out herein shall not be interpreted as any representation or warranty that the insurance coverage and limits will necessarily be adequate to fully protect Contractor.

## **B. BONDING REQUIREMENTS**

**1. Performance and Payment Bonds.** Contractor shall provide Performance and Payment Bonds, each with penal sums in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the value of the Guaranteed Maximum Price, in accordance with the requirements of § 2253.001 *et seq.*, and in such form attached hereto as **Attachment A-1**, and **Attachment A-2**, respectively. The Payment and Performance Bonds will be provided by Contractor upon Owner's execution of the Agreement. No Notice to Proceed shall be issued until the bonds are received and approved by Owner. At all times, Contractor's Performance and Payment Bonds will cover the Guaranteed Maximum Price as set forth in the Agreement. Without limiting any other requirements or obligations of the surety, the Performance Bond shall cover Contractor's warranty obligations for a period not to exceed **two (2)** years from the date of the issuance of the Certificate of Substantial Completion, and shall include coverage for any liquidated damages for which Contractor may be liable under this Agreement.

**2.** In addition to the above requirements, all bonds shall be issued with the Owner as the named obligee and shall be executed by a corporate surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas and which shall hold a certificate of authority from the United States Department of Treasury to qualify as a surety on obligations permitted or required under federal law. All bonds shall have a Power of Attorney attached. Performance and Payment bonds shall be provided before any Work is performed.

**3.** Costs, premiums or other charges for or relating to Subcontractor bonds and/or Subcontractor default insurance are not reimbursable as Costs of the Work or as General Conditions Costs and will not be reimbursed.

**ATTACHMENT A-1**  
**FORM OF PERFORMANCE BOND**

CONTRACT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BOND NO. \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TARRANT

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**PERFORMANCE BOND**

1. KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we \_\_\_\_\_ as Principal, hereinafter referred to as "Principal" and \_\_\_\_\_, a corporate surety/sureties, duly authorized to do business in the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as "Surety" (whether one or more), are held and firmly bound unto **Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS Health Network**, a hospital district and political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as "**JPS**" in the penal sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), lawful money of the United States, to be paid in Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

**WHEREAS**, the Principal has entered into a certain contract with JPS, dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as if fully set forth herein, to furnish all materials, equipment labor and other accessories as defined by law, in the prosecution of the work provided for said contract.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the condition of this obligation is such that if the said Principal shall faithfully perform said contract and shall in all respects duly and faithfully observe and perform all and singular the covenants, conditions, and agreements in and by said contract, agreed and covenanted by the Principal to be observed and performed, and according to the true intent and meaning of said contract and the plans and specifications therein referred to, and as well during any period of extension of said contract that may be granted on the part of JPS, as during the original terms of same, then this obligation shall be and become null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

**PROVIDED FURTHER**, that if any legal action be filed on this Bond, venue shall lie in Tarrant County, Texas.

**AND PROVIDED FURTHER**, that said Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to the work any way affect its obligation on this Bond; and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to the work to be performed thereunder.

This bond is executed in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code as amended.

**PERFORMANCE BOND  
(Continued)**

2.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Principal and the Surety have signed this instrument by duly authorized agents and officers and affixed corporate seals hereto on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_.

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Surety: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print First Name and Seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Attorney in Fact

Surety Contact Information where any notice of claim should be sent:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_

The address of the Surety to which any notice of claim should be sent may be obtained from the Texas Department of Insurance by calling the following toll-free number: 1-800-252-3439.

**[ATTACH POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SURETY'S ATTORNEY-IN FACT]**

**ATTACHMENT A-2**  
**FORM OF PAYMENT BOND**

CONTRACT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BOND NO. \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TARRANT

**PAYMENT BOND**

**3. KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:**

That we \_\_\_\_\_ as Principal, hereinafter referred to as "Principal" and \_\_\_\_\_, a corporate surety/sureties, duly authorized to do business in the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as "Surety" (whether one or more), are held and firmly bound unto Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS Health Network, a hospital district and political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as "JPS" in the penal sum of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_), lawful money of the United States, to be paid in Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas, for the payment of which sum well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

**WHEREAS**, the Principal has entered into a certain contract with JPS, dated the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes as if fully set forth herein, to furnish all materials, equipment labor and other accessories as defined by law, in the prosecution of the work provided for in said contract.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the condition of this obligation is such that if the said Principal, shall pay all sub-contractors, workmen, laborers, mechanics, furnishers of material and claimants (as defined in Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code, as amended) supplying labor and material to him or sub-contractor in the prosecution of the work provided for in said contract, all monies to them owing by Principal for sub-contracts, work, labor, and materials furnished for the construction of such improvements for JPS, then this obligation shall be and become null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

**PROVIDED FURTHER**, that if any legal action be filed on this Bond, venue shall lie in Tarrant County, Texas.

**AND PROVIDED FURTHER**, that said Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to the work performed thereunder, or the plans, specifications, drawings, etc. accompanying same shall in any way affect its obligation on this Bond; and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of the contract or to the work to be performed hereunder.

This bond is executed in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 2253 of the Texas Government Code, as amended.



**PAYMENT BOND  
(Continued)**

**BOND NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Principal and Surety have signed and sealed this instrument by duly authorized agents and officers and affixed corporate seal hereto on this the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Surety: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print First Name and Seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Attorney in Fact

Surety Contact Information where any notice of  
claim should be sent:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_

The address of the Surety to which any notice of claim should be sent may be obtained from the Texas Department of Insurance by calling the following toll-free number: 1-800-252-3439.

**[ATTACH POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SURETY'S ATTORNEY-IN FACT]**

**EXHIBIT B**  
**OWNER'S SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

Capitalized terms as used herein such as "Owner", "Contractor", "Subcontractor", "Project", and "Agreement" are used as defined in that certain *Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Contractor*, AIA Document A201 – 2017 ed., as modified for this Project, and shall each have the meanings set forth in the General Conditions. Definitions set forth in the A201 of the General Conditions.

**1. Confidentiality**

1.1 Protection of Confidential Information. Contractor hereby acknowledges, understands and agrees: (i) that in the course of conducting its due diligence regarding the provision of services to Owner, certain Confidential Information will be disclosed to Contractor; and (ii) that whether developed by Owner or others employed by or associated with Owner, all Confidential Information is, and shall remain, the exclusive and confidential property of Owner, and shall be at all times regarded, treated and protected as such by Contractor in accordance with the Agreement. Failure to mark any information "Confidential" shall not affect the confidential nature of such information.

1.2 Confidential Information. Confidential Information includes the information set forth in Section 1.1.8 of the A201-2017 and includes the following:

1.2.1 Work product resulting from, or related to the business and/or operations of Owner, including but not limited to, methods, processes, procedures, analysis, techniques, and audits used by Owner in connection therewith.

1.2.2 Computer software of any type or form in any stage of actual or anticipated research and development, including, but not limited to, programs and program modules, routines and subroutines, processes, algorithms, design concepts, design specifications (design notes, annotations, documentation, flowcharts, coding sheets, and the like), source code, object code and load modules, programming, program patches, and system designs.

1.2.3 Information relating to Owner's proprietary rights prior to any public disclosure thereof, including but not limited to, the nature of the proprietary rights, production data, technical and engineering data, test data and test results, the status and details of research and development of products and services, and information regarding acquiring, protecting, enforcing and licensing proprietary rights (including patents, copyrights, and trade secrets).

1.2.4 Internal personnel and financial information, vendor names and other vendor information (including vendor characteristics, services, and agreements), customer lists and contacts, business plan(s), purchasing and internal cost information, internal services and operational manuals, pricing, marketing, and all other manner and methods of conducting Owner's business.

1.2.5 Marketing and development plans, price and cost data, price and fee amounts, pricing and billing policies, quoting procedures, marketing techniques and methods of obtaining business, forecasts and forecast assumptions and volumes, and future plans and potential strategies of Owner which have been or are being discussed.

1.3 Covenants. As a consequence of Contractor's acquisition or anticipated acquisition of Confidential Information, Contractor will occupy a position of trust and confidence to Owner with respect to Owner's affairs and business. In view of the foregoing and of the mutual consideration to be provided to each party, Contractor agrees that it is reasonable and necessary that it make the following covenants:

1.3.1 Both during and forever after the performance of any due diligence investigation, Contractor will not disclose Confidential Information to any person or entity other than as necessary in carrying out its duties on behalf of Owner and/or due diligence investigation, without first obtaining Owner's prior, written consent, and Contractor will take all reasonable precautions to prevent inadvertent disclosure of such Confidential Information. This prohibition against Contractor's disclosure of Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, disclosing the fact that any similarity exists between the Confidential Information and information independently developed by another person or entity, and Contractor understands that such similarity does not excuse Contractor from abiding by its covenant or other obligations pursuant to the Agreement.

1.3.2 Both during and after the conduct of its due diligence investigation, Contractor will not use, copy, or transfer Confidential Information other than as necessary in carrying out its duties on behalf of Owner and/or due diligence investigation, without first obtaining prior written consent of Owner, and will take all reasonable precautions to prevent inadvertent use, copying, or transfer of such Confidential Information. This prohibition against Contractor's use, copying, or transfer of Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, selling, licensing, or otherwise exploiting, directly or indirectly, any products or services, including software in any form, that embody or are derived from Confidential Information.

1.4 Use. Contractor agrees not to make any written use of or reference to Owner's name or registered or unregistered trademarks (or any names under which Owner conducts business or operations) for any marketing, public relations, advertising, display or other business purpose or make any use of Owner's facilities for any activity related to the express business purposes and interests of Owner pursuant to the Agreement, without the prior written consent of Owner, which consent may be withheld or granted in Owner's sole and absolute discretion. Contractor agrees not to utilize, either directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information in order to facilitate or create direct business relationships with business customers of Owner.

1.5 Open Records Request or Similar Requests for Information. In the event that Contractor receives a request to disclose all or any part of the Confidential Information under the terms of the Texas Public Information Act, a subpoena or other order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction or by another governmental agency, Contractor shall: (i) notify Owner of the existence, terms, and circumstances surrounding such a request within one (1) business day of the receipt of the request; (ii) notify the entity requesting the information that such a request for information should be submitted to Owner, not Contractor; (iii) provide the entity requesting the information the contact information of Owner's public information coordinator; and (iv) forward all responsive information to Owner within two (2) business days of the receipt of the request.

1.6 Confidentiality Provisions Applicable to Owner. Subject to the provisions of Section 1.7 below, Owner shall keep confidential all information, in whatever form, produced, prepared, or observed by Contractor to the extent that such information is stamped "Confidential Information" or otherwise determined to be confidential by Applicable Laws.

1.7 **Public Records.** Notwithstanding any provisions of the Agreement to the contrary, Contractor understands that Owner will comply with the Texas Public Information Act, Tex. Gov't. Code Ch. 552. If contacted by Owner, Contractor will cooperate with Owner in the production of documents responsive to the request. Contractor agrees to provide the documents responsive to the request in the format and within the time frame specified by Owner. Contractor may request that Owner seek an opinion from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas. However, the final decision whether to seek a ruling from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas will be made by Owner in its sole discretion to comply with the legal requirements of the Texas Public Information Act. Additionally, Contractor will notify Owner's general counsel within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of any third-party requests for information written, produced, collected, assembled, or maintained in connection with the Agreement and/or any amendment to the Agreement. The Agreement and/or any amendment to the Agreement and all data and other information generated or otherwise obtained in its performance is subject to the Texas Public Information Act. Contractor agrees to maintain the confidentiality of information received from Owner during the performance of the Agreement, including information which discloses confidential personal information particularly, but not limited to, social security numbers. Furthermore, Contractor is required to make any information created or exchanged with the State pursuant to the Agreement, and not otherwise excepted from disclosure under the Texas Public Information Act, available in a format that is accessible by the public as specified by Owner at no additional charge to the Owner.

**2. Suspension and Debarment.** Contractor, on behalf of itself and its employees, agents, representatives, and Subcontractors, represents that as of the date of, and at all times during the term of, the Agreement, the following shall be true, complete, and correct:

2.1 Contractor is in compliance or will comply with, to the extent applicable, Owner's compliance program and all applicable federal and state laws and regulations therein, including, but not limited to, federal and state healthcare fraud and abuse provisions;

2.2 Contractor is not a target or subject of a federal or state criminal, civil, or administrative investigation;

2.3 Contractor is not a party to any actual or threatened criminal, civil, or administrative action or proceeding concerning a potential violation of federal or state laws including, but not limited to, federal or state healthcare fraud and abuse provisions;

2.4 Contractor has not been convicted of any crime relating to any federal and/or state program; and

2.5 Contractor is not, and has not previously been, excluded, debarred, suspended, or otherwise deemed ineligible from participating in any federal or state healthcare program or other federal or state program.

2.6 During the term of the Agreement, Contractor shall immediately give Owner written notice if Contractor is not in compliance with any provision of this Section 2. Upon the occurrence of such event, whether or not notice is given to Owner, Owner may terminate the Agreement effective immediately upon written notice to Contractor.

**3. Historically Underutilized Businesses.** Contractor will proactively comply with Owner's established policies regarding the utilization of S/W/MBE/HUB entities and goals, and all other applicable administrative rules and statutes relating to utilization of S/W/MBE/HUB entities for the Project.

**4. Equal Opportunity.** Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, or religious belief. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (i) employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; (ii) recruitment or recruitment advertising; (iii) layoff or termination; (iv) rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and (v) selection for training, including apprenticeship. Contractor shall post in conspicuous places, available to employees or applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination Section. Contractor shall include this Section in all subcontract agreements pertaining to the services to be provided under the Agreement.

**5. Nondiscrimination.** In their execution of the Agreement, the parties and others acting by or through them shall comply with all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination, harassment, and sexual misconduct. To the extent not in conflict with federal or state law, the parties agree not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, veterans' status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. Any breach of this covenant may result in termination of the Agreement.

**6. Immigration Reform.** The Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, as amended, the Immigration Act of 1990, and the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, require that all employees hired since 1986 provide proof of identity and employment eligibility before they can work in the United States. Owner is committed to complying with all applicable immigration laws of the United States and requires compliance by all contractors, subcontractors, and consultants who contract with the Owner. Contractor shall not place any employee of Contractor at a worksite, nor shall Contractor permit any employee, nor any Subcontractor, to perform any work on behalf of, or for the benefit of, Owner without first confirming said employee's authorization to lawfully work in the United States. Contractor states that Contractor: (i) maintains and follows an established policy to verify the employment authorization of its employees and to ensure continued compliance for the duration of employment; (ii) has verified the identity and employment eligibility of all employees in compliance with Applicable Law; (iii) has established internal safeguards and reporting policies to encourage its employees to report any suspected violations of immigration policies or of immigration law promptly to Contractor's senior management; and (iv) is without knowledge of any fact that would render any employee or any Subcontractor ineligible to legally work in the United States. Contractor further acknowledges, agrees, and states that it: (i) has complied, and shall at all times during the term of the Agreement comply, in all respects with the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 and 1990, the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, as amended, and all of the laws, rules, and regulations relating thereto; (ii) has properly maintained, and shall at all times during the term of the Agreement properly maintain, all records required by the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, including, without limitation, the completion and maintenance of the Form I-9 for each of Contractor's employees; and (iii) has responded, and shall at all times during the term of the Agreement respond, in a timely fashion to any inspection requests related to such I-9 Forms. During the term of the Agreement, Contractor shall, and shall cause its directors, officers, managers, agents and employees to, fully cooperate in all respects with any audit, inquiry, inspection or investigation that may be conducted by Owner or any state or county agency of Contractor or any of its employees. Contractor acknowledges, agrees, and represents that all Subcontractors permitted by it to perform Work and/or services hereunder will be required to agree to these same terms as a condition to being awarded a contract for the performance of such services.

**7. E-Verify.** By entering into the Agreement, Contractor certifies and ensures that it utilizes and will continue to utilize, for the term of the Agreement, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system, in accordance with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's rules, to determine the

eligibility of: (i) all persons employed to perform duties within the State of Texas, during the term of the Agreement; and (ii) all persons (including all Consultants Subcontractors) assigned by the Contractor to perform services pursuant to the Agreement, within the United States of America. Contractor shall provide, upon request of Owner and if available, an electronic or hardcopy screenshot of the confirmation or tentative non-confirmation screen containing the E-Verify case verification number for attachment to the Form I-9 for the three (3) most recent hires that match the criteria above, by the Contractor and Subcontractors, as proof that this provision is being followed. If this certification is falsely made, the Agreement may be immediately terminated, at the discretion of Owner, and at no fault to Owner, with no prior notification. Contractor shall also be responsible for the costs of any re-solicitation that Owner must undertake to replace the terminated Agreement. For persons not eligible for E-Verify screening, Contractor (along with all Subcontractors) shall provide, upon request by Owner, another form of documentation of proof of eligibility to work in the United States of America.

**8. Entities that Boycott Israel.** Pursuant to *Tex. Gov't. Code §2271.002*, Contractor certifies that either (i) it meets an exemption criteria under *Tex. Gov't. Code §2271.002*; or (ii) it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of the Agreement. Contractor shall state any facts that make it exempt from the boycott.

**9. Entities that Boycott Energy Companies.** Pursuant to *Tex. Gov't. Code §2274.002*, Contractor certifies that either (i) it meets an exemption criteria under *Tex. Gov't. Code §2274.002*, or (ii) it does not boycott companies that engage in the exploration, production, utilization, transportation, sale, or manufacturing of fossil fuel-based energy and do not commit or pledge to meet environmental standards beyond applicable federal and state law ("Energy Companies") and will not boycott Energy Companies during the term of the Agreement. "Boycott Energy Company" has the meaning provided in *Tex. Gov't. Code §809.001*. Contractor shall state any facts that make it exempt from verification.

**10. Entities that Discriminate against Firearms Entities or Trade Associations.** Pursuant to *Tex. Gov't. Code §2274.002*, Contractor certifies that either (i) it meets an exemption criteria under *Tex. Gov't. Code §2274.002*, or (ii) it does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association (as defined under *Tex. Gov't. Code §2274.001*) and will not discriminate during the term of the Agreement against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. Contractor shall state any facts that make it exempt from verification.

**11. Prohibition Against Contracting with Companies Engaged in Business with Iran, Sudan, or other Foreign Terrorist Organizations.** In accordance with *Tex. Gov't. Code §2252.152*, Owner is prohibited from entering into a governmental contract (as defined in *Tex. Gov't. Code §2252.151(3)*) with a company that is identified on a list prepared and maintained under *Tex. Gov't. Code §§806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153*. If Contractor is on the above-referenced list, the Agreement will be considered void or voidable and Owner will not be responsible to pay Contractor for any services performed.

**12. Excluded Parties.** Contractor certifies that it is not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224.

**13. No Conflicts.** Contractor represents that Contractor has no actual or potential conflicts of interest in providing services to Owner under the Agreement and that Contractor's provision of services under the Agreement would not reasonably create an appearance of impropriety.

**14. Deceptive Trade Practices Act; Unfair Business Practices Disclosures.** Contractor represents and states that it has not been found liable of Deceptive Trade Practices Act violations under *Tex. Bus. & Com. Code Ch. 17* or of any unfair business practice in any administrative hearing or court suit.

Contractor further certifies that it has no officers who have served as officers of other entities who have been found liable of Deceptive Trade Practices violations or of any unfair business practices in an administrative hearing or court suit. In the event that allegations of Deceptive Trade Practices violations under *Tex. Bus. & Com. Code Ch. 17* or of any unfair business practices against either Contractor or any of Contractor's officers have occurred or are currently pending in an administrative proceeding or in a lawsuit filed with any court, then Contractor has disclosed all such matters to Owner and provided a brief description of each allegation, information regarding the administrative body or court before which the matter is pending, and the current status of the matter.

**15. Disclosure of Interested Parties.** Contractor certifies that, if the value of the Agreement or the anticipated value of the Agreement exceeds One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), it has complied with *Tex. Gov't. Code §2252.908* and *1 Tex. Admin. Code §§46.1 through §46.3* as implemented by the Texas Ethics Commission (TEC), if applicable, and has provided the Owner with a fully executed TEC Form 1295, certified by the TEC and signed and notarized by the Contractor.

**16. General and Criminal Background Checks**

16.1 Contractor represents that Contractor and Contractor's employees have not been convicted of a felony criminal offense, or of a crime involving moral turpitude, or that, if such a conviction has occurred, Contractor has fully advised Owner as to the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction.

16.2 Contractor, and all of Contractor's employees, and Subcontractors that will perform any work or services on-Site at a county-owned property shall be subject to a criminal background check. Any expense associated with such criminal background check shall be borne by Contractor.

16.3 All criminal background check forms for the Contractor, and all of Contractor's employees, and Subcontractors that will initially commence any work on-Site must be fully completed and submitted to Owner within **fifteen (15)** Days of the date of the appropriate notice of award, and the process thereafter must be diligently pursued by Contractor. All criminal background checks must be completed before the Contractor, or any employee, or Subcontractor performs any services at the Site.

16.4 All criminal background checks must be accomplished by the Texas Department of Public Safety (the "DPS"), which includes fingerprint processing by an independent third-party company selected by DPS. Upon receipt of the fingerprints of the Contractor, and Contractor's employees, and/or Subcontractors, DPS, or Owner, will adjudicate the results of the criminal background searches in accordance with Owner's background check requirements and guidelines. The failure to timely secure criminal background check clearance shall not be considered a legitimate delay in the performance of the services hereunder.

**17. Use of Owner Property.** Contractor is prohibited from using Owner Property for any purpose other than performing services authorized under the Agreement. "Owner Property" includes, but is not limited to: Owner's office space, identification badges, Owner information technology equipment and networks (e.g., laptops, portable printers, cell phones, iPads, external hard drives, data storage devices, any Owner issued software, the Owner's Virtual Private Network (VPN client)) information, and any other resources of Owner. Contractor shall not remove Owner Property from the Owner's campus. Contractor may not use any computing device to access Owner's network or e-mail. Contractor shall not perform any maintenance services on Owner's Property unless the Agreement expressly authorizes such services. During the time that Owner Property is in the possession of Contractor, Contractor shall be responsible for

(i) all repair and replacement charges incurred by Owner that are associated with loss of Owner Property or damage beyond normal wear and tear; and (ii) all charges attributable to Contractor's use of Owner Property that exceeds the scope of the Agreement. Contractor shall fully reimburse such charges to Owner within **ten (10)** Days of Contractor's receipt of Owner's notice of amount due. Use of Owner Property for a purpose not authorized by the Agreement shall constitute breach of the Agreement and may result in termination of the Agreement and the pursuit of other remedies available to Owner under contract, at law, or in equity.

**18. Drug-Free Work Place.** Contractor, Contractor's employees, and Subcontractors shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988 (Public Law No. 100-690, Title V, Subtitle D; 41 U.S.C. 701 et seq.) and maintain a drug-free work environment; and the final rule, government-wide requirements for drug-free work place (grants), issued by the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Defense (32 CFR Part 280, Subpart F) to implement the provisions of the Drug-Free Work Place Act of 1988 is incorporated by reference and Contractor, Contractor's employees, and Subcontractors shall comply with the relevant provisions thereof, including any amendments to the final rule that may hereafter be issued.

**19. No Smoking.** All facilities where Work is to be performed or services rendered are nonsmoking buildings. Contractor, d Subcontractors, and all of their employees are prohibited from smoking in all areas except in areas designated for smoking.

**20. Signage.** Neither Contractor nor or Subcontractors shall display or distribute any advertising signs or notices of any kind whatsoever upon Owner's premises without the prior written permission of Owner.



## **EXHIBIT C**

### **OWNER PROVIDED INFORMATION**

Owner shall, with reasonable promptness, provide Contractor a copy of, or reasonable access to, the following information and documentation regarding the Project:

1. Owner's Construction, Renovation and Maintenance Activity Safety Policy dated 06/07/2021.
2. Owner's Rules and Regulations for Construction
3. Owner's HIPAA Policy

## EXHIBIT D – GUARANTEED MAXIMUM PRICE BREAKDOWN



JPS - MRI 1  
1500 S. Main St.  
Fort Worth, TX 76104

Date: 2/6/2024  
Square Feet 2,500  
Duration (Days) 260

<b>DIV 2</b>	<b>DEMOLITION</b>		\$	33,311.00
<b>DIV 3</b>	<b>CONCRETE</b>	Total	\$	27,800.00
<b>DIV 4</b>	<b>MASONRY</b>	Total	\$	16,450.00
<b>DIV 5</b>	<b>STEEL</b>	Total	\$	12,112.00
<b>DIV 6</b>	<b>WOODS, PLASTICS, &amp; COMPOSITES</b>	Total	\$	122,852.00
<b>DIV 7</b>	<b>THERMAL INSULATION &amp; WATERPROOFING</b>	Total	\$	41,985.00
	WATERPROOFING & INSULATION		\$	12,290.00
	FIREPROOFING		\$	9,989.00
	ROOFING		\$	17,626.00
	JOINT SEALANTS		\$	2,080.00
<b>DIV 9</b>	<b>FINISHES</b>	Total	\$	130,312.00
	GYPSUM BOARD ASSEMBLIES		\$	105,340.00
	FLOORING		\$	15,892.00
	PAINTING		\$	9,080.00
<b>DIV 10</b>	<b>SPECIALTIES</b>	Total	\$	13,011.00
<b>DIV 13</b>	<b>SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION</b>	Total	\$	161,755.00
<b>DIV 21</b>	<b>FIRE PROTECTION</b>	Total	\$	10,124.00
<b>DIV 22</b>	<b>PLUMBING</b>	Total	\$	26,720.00
<b>DIV 23</b>	<b>HVAC</b>	Total	\$	469,800.00
<b>DIV 26</b>	<b>ELECTRICAL</b>	Total	\$	244,083.00
<b>DIV 27</b>	<b>COMMUNICATIONS</b>	Total	\$	5,410.00
<b>DIV 28</b>	<b>ELECTRONIC SAFETY &amp; SECURITY</b>	Total	\$	10,111.00
<b>DIV 31</b>	<b>EARTHWORK</b>	Total	\$	6,274.00
<b>SUBTOTAL COST OF WORK</b>			\$	1,332,430.00

Hutcherson Construction General Conditions	\$	600,288.00
Safety & Technology	\$	24,428.00
General Liability Insurance	\$	46,635.00
Builders Risk Insurance	\$	16,637.00
Building Permit Costs	\$	21,964.00
Payment & Performance Bonds	\$	60,497.00
Contractors Fee	\$	184,900.00
Allowances	\$	45,000.00
Construction Contingency	\$	150,000.00
Owner Controlled Allowance	\$	250,000.00

**TOTAL PROJECT COST:**

**\$2,732,779.00**

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## **Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor**

*where the basis of payment is the Cost of the Work Plus a Fee with a Guaranteed Maximum Price*

**AGREEMENT** made as of the [ ] day of [ ] in the year **2024**  
(In words, indicate day, month and year.)

**BETWEEN** the Owner:

(Name, legal status, address and other information)

Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS Health Network  
1500 S. Main Street  
Fort Worth, Texas 76104  
Telephone Number: 817-702-4934  
Fax Number: 817-702-4940

and the Contractor:

(Name, legal status, address and other information)

Hutcherson Construction Inc.  
PO Box 13100  
Arlington, TX 76094  
817-467-5422

for the following Project:

(Name, location and detailed description)

MRI Phase 1 of 2  
Main Campus, MRI Room 1  
1500 S Main St.  
Fort Worth, TX 76104

The Architect:

(Name, legal status, address and other information)

Primera Design Associates, LLC  
2102 Roosevelt Dr., Suite A  
Dalworthington Gardens, TX 76013  
817-881-1581

The Owner and Contractor agree as follows.

### **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS:**

The author of this document has added information needed for its completion. The author may also have revised the text of the original AIA standard form. An *Additions and Deletions Report* that notes added information as well as revisions to the standard form text is available from the author and should be reviewed.

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.

The parties should complete A102<sup>™</sup>-2017, Exhibit A, Insurance and Bonds, contemporaneously with this Agreement. AIA Document A201<sup>™</sup>-2017, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, is adopted in this document by reference. Do not use with other general conditions unless this document is modified.

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## EXHIBIT A INSURANCE AND BONDS

### ARTICLE 1 THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

The Contract Documents consist of this Agreement, Conditions of the Contract (General, Supplementary, and other Conditions), Drawings, Specifications, Addenda issued prior to execution of this Agreement, other documents listed in this Agreement and Modifications issued after execution of this Agreement, all of which form the Contract, and are as fully a part of the Contract as if attached to this Agreement or repeated herein. The Contract represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. If anything in the other Contract Documents, other than a Modification, is inconsistent with this Agreement, this Agreement shall govern. An enumeration of the Contract Documents, other than a Modification, appears in Article 16.

### ARTICLE 2 THE WORK OF THIS CONTRACT

The Contractor shall fully execute the Work described in the Contract Documents, except as specifically indicated in the Contract Documents to be the responsibility of others.

### ARTICLE 3 RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES

The Contractor accepts the relationship of trust and confidence established by this Agreement and covenants with the Owner to cooperate with the Architect and exercise the Contractor's skill and judgment in furthering the interests of the Owner; to furnish efficient business administration and supervision; to furnish at all times an adequate supply of workers and materials; and to perform the Work in an expeditious and economical manner consistent with the Owner's interests. The Owner agrees to furnish and approve, in a timely manner, information required by the Contractor and to make payments to the Contractor in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

## ARTICLE 4 DATE OF COMMENCEMENT AND SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

§ 4.1 The date of commencement of the Work shall be:

(Check one of the following boxes.)

- ☐ [ « » ] The date of this Agreement.
- ☐ [ « » ] A date set forth in a notice to proceed issued by the Owner.
- ☒ [ X ] Established as follows:  
(Insert a date or a means to determine the date of commencement of the Work.)

**On or before the 21st day after the written notice to proceed ("NTP") from the Owner to Contractor.**

If a date of commencement of the Work is not selected, then the date of commencement shall be the date of this Agreement.

§ 4.2 The Contract Time shall be measured from the date of commencement of the Work.

### § 4.3 Substantial Completion

§ 4.3.1 Subject to adjustments of the Contract Time as provided in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall achieve Substantial Completion of the entire Work:

(Check one of the following boxes and complete the necessary information.)

- ☒ [ X ] Not later than **Two Hundred Sixty (260)** calendar days from the date of commencement of the Work.
- ☐ [ « » ] By the following date: « »

§ 4.3.2 Subject to adjustments of the Contract Time as provided in the Contract Documents, if portions of the Work are to be completed prior to Substantial Completion of the entire Work, the Contractor shall achieve Substantial Completion of such portions by the following dates:

**Left Blank Intentionally.**

**Portion of Work**

**Substantial Completion Date**

§ 4.3.3 If the Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion as provided in this Section 4.3, liquidated damages, if any, shall be assessed as set forth in Section 5.1.6.

## ARTICLE 5 CONTRACT SUM

§ 5.1 The Owner shall pay the Contractor the Contract Sum in current funds for the Contractor's performance of the Contract. The Contract Sum is the Cost of the Work as defined in Article 7 plus the Contractor's Fee.

§ 5.1.1 The Contractor's Fee:

(State a lump sum, percentage of Cost of the Work, or other provision for determining the Contractor's Fee.)

**\$184,900.00**

§ 5.1.2 The method of adjustment of the Contractor's Fee for changes in the Work:

**None**

§ 5.1.3 Limitations, if any, on a Subcontractor's overhead and profit for increases in the cost of its portion of the Work:

**None.**

§ 5.1.4 Rental rates for Contractor-owned equipment shall not exceed Five percent ( 5 %) of the standard rental rate paid at the place of the Project.

§ 5.1.5 Unit prices, if any:

(Identify the item and state the unit price and quantity limitations, if any, to which the unit price will be applicable.)

Item	Units and Limitations	Price Per Unit (\$0.00)

§ 5.1.6 Liquidated damages, if any:

(Insert terms and conditions for liquidated damages, if any.)

The Contractor will pay Owner upon demand from Owner liquidated damages in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$500.00) for each calendar day, if any, during the period of time commencing on the agreed Date of Substantial Completion and ending on the date of Substantial Completion of Work.

§ 5.1.7 Other:

(Insert provisions for bonus, cost savings or other incentives, if any, that might result in a change to the Contract Sum.)

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## § 5.2 Guaranteed Maximum Price

§ 5.2.1 The Contract Sum is guaranteed by the Contractor not to exceed **Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Nine and No/100 Dollars (\$2,732,779.00)**, subject to additions and deductions by Change Order as provided in the Contract Documents, as detailed in **Exhibit D – Guaranteed Maximum Price Breakdown**. This maximum sum is referred to in the Contract Documents as the Guaranteed Maximum Price. Costs which would cause the Guaranteed Maximum Price to be exceeded shall be paid by the Contractor without reimbursement by the Owner.

### § 5.2.2 Alternates

§ 5.2.2.1 Alternates, if any, included in the Guaranteed Maximum Price:

Item	Price

§ 5.2.2.2 Subject to the conditions noted below, the following alternates may be accepted by the Owner following execution of this Agreement. Upon acceptance, the Owner shall issue a Modification to this Agreement.

(Insert below each alternate and the conditions that must be met for the Owner to accept the alternate.)

Item	Price	Conditions for Acceptance

§ 5.2.3 Allowances, if any, included in the Guaranteed Maximum Price:

(Identify each allowance.)

Item	Price
Landscaping and Irrigation	\$10,000.00
Marquee Signage	\$25,000.00
Temporary Cooling	\$10,000.00
Owner Controlled Allowance	\$250,000.00

§ 5.2.4 Assumptions, if any, upon which the Guaranteed Maximum Price is based:

NONE

(Identify each assumption.)

§ 5.2.5 To the extent that the Contract Documents are anticipated to require further development, the Guaranteed Maximum Price includes the costs attributable to such further development consistent with the Contract Documents and reasonably inferable therefrom. Such further development does not include changes in scope, systems, kinds and quality of materials, finishes or equipment, all of which, if required, shall be incorporated by Change Order.

§ 5.2.6 The Owner shall authorize preparation of revisions to the Contract Documents that incorporate the agreed-upon assumptions contained in Section 5.2.4. The Owner shall promptly furnish such revised Contract Documents to the Contractor. The Contractor shall notify the Owner and Architect of any inconsistencies between the agreed-upon assumptions contained in Section 5.2.4 and the revised Contract Documents.

## ARTICLE 6 CHANGES IN THE WORK

§ 6.1 Adjustments to the Guaranteed Maximum Price on account of changes in the Work may be determined by any of the methods listed in Article 7 of AIA Document A201™–2017, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction.

§ 6.2 Adjustments to subcontracts awarded on the basis of a stipulated sum shall be determined in accordance with Article 7 of A201–2017, as they refer to “cost” and “fee,” and not by Articles 5, 7 and 8 of this Agreement. Adjustments to subcontracts awarded with the Owner’s prior written consent on the basis of cost plus a fee shall be calculated in accordance with the terms of those subcontracts.

§ 6.3 In calculating adjustments to the Guaranteed Maximum Price, the terms “cost” and “costs” as used in Article 7 of AIA Document A201–2017 shall mean the Cost of the Work as defined in Article 7 of this Agreement and the term “fee” shall mean the Contractor’s Fee as defined in Section 5.1.1 of this Agreement.

§ 6.4 If no specific provision is made in Article 5 for adjustment of the Contractor’s Fee in the case of changes in the Work, or if the extent of such changes is such, in the aggregate, that application of the adjustment provisions of Article 5 will cause substantial inequity to the Owner or Contractor, the Contractor’s Fee shall be equitably adjusted on the same basis that was used to establish the Fee for the original Work, and the Guaranteed Maximum Price shall be adjusted accordingly, provided however, for the purposes of Section 6.3 and this Section 6.4 as it relates to properly approved Change Orders which result in an increase in the Cost of the Work, the Contractor’s Fee for the additional Work in such Change Order shall be ten percent (10%) of the Cost of the Work included in such Change Orders.

## ARTICLE 7 COSTS TO BE REIMBURSED

### § 7.1 Cost of the Work

§ 7.1.1 The term Cost of the Work shall mean costs necessarily incurred by the Contractor in the proper performance of the Work. The Cost of the Work shall include only the items set forth in this Article 7, **but only to the extent reasonably and necessarily incurred by the Contractor in the proper performance of the Work.**

§ 7.1.2 Where, pursuant to the Contract Documents, any cost is subject to the Owner’s prior approval, the Contractor shall obtain such approval in writing prior to incurring the cost.

§ 7.1.3 Costs shall be at rates not higher than the standard paid at the place of the Project, except with prior approval of the Owner.

### § 7.2 Labor Costs

§ 7.2.1 Wages or salaries of construction workers directly employed by the Contractor to perform the construction of the Work at the site or, with the Owner’s prior approval, at off-site workshops.

§ 7.2.2 Wages or salaries of the Contractor’s supervisory and administrative personnel when stationed at the site and performing Work, with the Owner’s prior approval.

§ 7.2.2.1 Wages or salaries of the Contractor’s supervisory and administrative personnel when performing Work and stationed at a location other than the site, but only for that portion of time required for the Work, and limited to the personnel and activities listed below:



*(Identify the personnel, type of activity and, if applicable, any agreed upon percentage of time to be devoted to the Work.)*

Project Executive – Reid Hutcherson  
Contractor's Project Manager – TBD  
Project Superintendent– Tommy Mullen or John Krieger  
Project Safety Manager – Mark Wood

**§ 7.2.3** Wages or salaries of the Contractor's supervisory or administrative personnel engaged at factories, workshops or while traveling, in expediting the production or transportation of materials or equipment required for the Work, but only for that portion of their time required for the Work.

**§ 7.2.4** Costs paid or incurred by the Contractor, as required by law or collective bargaining agreements, for taxes, insurance, contributions, assessments, and benefits and, for personnel not covered by collective bargaining agreements, customary benefits such as sick leave, medical and health benefits, holidays, vacations and pensions, provided such costs are based on wages and salaries included in the Cost of the Work under Sections 7.2.1 through 7.2.3.

**§ 7.2.5** If agreed rates for labor costs, in lieu of actual costs, are provided in this Agreement, the rates shall remain unchanged throughout the duration of this Agreement, unless the parties execute a Modification.

### **§ 7.3 Subcontract Costs**

Payments made by the Contractor to Subcontractors in accordance with the requirements of the subcontracts and this Agreement.

### **§ 7.4 Costs of Materials and Equipment Incorporated in the Completed Construction**

**§ 7.4.1** Costs, including transportation and storage at the site, of materials and equipment incorporated, or to be incorporated, in the completed construction.

**§ 7.4.2** Costs of materials described in the preceding Section 7.4.1 in excess of those actually installed to allow for reasonable waste and spoilage. Unused excess materials, if any, shall become the Owner's property at the completion of the Work or, at the Owner's option, shall be sold by the Contractor. Any amounts realized from such sales shall be credited to the Owner as a deduction from the Cost of the Work.

### **§ 7.5 Costs of Other Materials and Equipment, Temporary Facilities and Related Items**

**§ 7.5.1** Costs of transportation, storage, installation, dismantling, maintenance, and removal of materials, supplies, temporary facilities, machinery, equipment and hand tools not customarily owned by construction workers that are provided by the Contractor at the site and fully consumed in the performance of the Work. Costs of materials, supplies, temporary facilities, machinery, equipment, and tools, that are not fully consumed, shall be based on the cost or value of the item at the time it is first used on the Project site less the value of the item when it is no longer used at the Project site. Costs for items not fully consumed by the Contractor shall mean fair market value.

**§ 7.5.2** Rental charges for temporary facilities, machinery, equipment, and hand tools not customarily owned by construction workers that are provided by the Contractor at the site, and the costs of transportation, installation, dismantling, minor repairs, and removal of such temporary facilities, machinery, equipment, and hand tools. Rates and quantities of equipment owned by the Contractor, or a related party as defined in Section 7.8, shall be subject to the Owner's prior approval. The total rental cost of any such equipment may not exceed the purchase price of any comparable item.

**§ 7.5.3** Costs of removal of debris from the site of the Work and its proper and legal disposal.

**§ 7.5.4** Costs of the Contractor's site office, including general office equipment and supplies.

**§ 7.5.5** Costs of materials and equipment suitably stored off the site at a mutually acceptable location, subject to the Owner's prior approval.



## **§ 7.6 Miscellaneous Costs**

**§ 7.6.1** Premiums for that portion of insurance and bonds required by the Contract Documents that can be directly attributed to this Contract.

**§ 7.6.1.1** Costs for self-insurance, for either full or partial amounts of the coverages required by the Contract Documents, with the Owner's prior approval.

**§ 7.6.1.2** Costs for insurance through a captive insurer owned or controlled by the Contractor, with the Owner's prior approval.

**§ 7.6.2** Sales, use, or similar taxes, imposed by a governmental authority, that are related to the Work and for which the Contractor is liable.

**§ 7.6.3** Fees and assessments for the building permit, and for other permits, licenses, and inspections, for which the Contractor is required by the Contract Documents to pay.

**§ 7.6.4** Fees of laboratories for tests required by the Contract Documents; except those related to defective or nonconforming Work for which reimbursement is excluded under Article 13 of AIA Document A201–2017 or by other provisions of the Contract Documents, and which do not fall within the scope of Section 7.7.3.

**§ 7.6.5** Royalties and license fees paid for the use of a particular design, process, or product, required by the Contract Documents.

**§ 7.6.5.1** The cost of defending suits or claims for infringement of patent rights arising from requirements of the Contract Documents, payments made in accordance with legal judgments against the Contractor resulting from such suits or claims, and payments of settlements made with the Owner's consent, unless the Contractor had reason to believe that the required design, process or product was an infringement of a copyright or a patent, and the Contractor failed to promptly furnish such information to the Architect as required by Article 3 of AIA Document A201–2017. The costs of legal defenses, judgments, and settlements, shall not be included in the Cost of the Work used to calculate the Contractor's Fee or subject to the Guaranteed Maximum Price.

**§ 7.6.6** Costs for communications services, electronic equipment, and software, directly related to the Work and located at the site, with the Owner's prior approval.

**§ 7.6.7** Costs of document reproductions and delivery charges.

**§ 7.6.8** Deposits lost for causes other than the Contractor's negligence or failure to fulfill a specific responsibility in the Contract Documents.

**§ 7.6.9** Legal, mediation and arbitration costs, including attorneys' fees, other than those arising from disputes between the Owner and Contractor, reasonably incurred by the Contractor after the execution of this Agreement in the performance of the Work and with the Owner's prior approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

**§ 7.6.10** Expenses incurred in accordance with the Contractor's standard written personnel policy for relocation and temporary living allowances of the Contractor's personnel required for the Work, with the Owner's prior approval.

**§ 7.6.11** That portion of the reasonable expenses of the Contractor's supervisory or administrative personnel incurred while traveling in discharge of duties connected with the Work.

## **§ 7.7 Other Costs and Emergencies**

**§ 7.7.1** Other costs incurred in the performance of the Work, with the Owner's prior approval.

**§ 7.7.2** Costs incurred in taking action to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss, in case of an emergency affecting the safety of persons and property, as provided in Article 10 of AIA Document A201–2017.

**§ 7.7.3** Costs of repairing or correcting damaged or nonconforming Work executed by the Contractor, Subcontractors, or suppliers, provided that such damaged or nonconforming Work was not caused by the negligence of, or failure to fulfill a specific obligation or responsibility by, the Contractor, and only to the extent that the cost of

repair or correction is not recovered by the Contractor from insurance, sureties, Subcontractors, suppliers, or others, or (ii) a cause of action does not exist for the recovery by the Contractor for the cost of repair or correction from Contractor's Subcontractors or suppliers or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them.

## **§ 7.8 Related Party Transactions**

**§ 7.8.1** For purposes of this Section 7.8, the term "related party" shall mean (1) a parent, subsidiary, affiliate, or other entity having common ownership of, or sharing common management with, the Contractor; (2) any entity in which any stockholder in, or management employee of, the Contractor holds an equity interest in excess of ten percent in the aggregate; (3) any entity which has the right to control the business or affairs of the Contractor; or (4) any person, or any member of the immediate family of any person, who has the right to control the business or affairs of the Contractor.

**§ 7.8.2** If any of the costs to be reimbursed arise from a transaction between the Contractor and a related party, the Contractor shall notify the Owner of the specific nature of the contemplated transaction, including the identity of the related party and the anticipated cost to be incurred, before any such transaction is consummated or cost incurred. If the Owner, after such notification, authorizes the proposed transaction in writing, then the cost incurred shall be included as a cost to be reimbursed, and the Contractor shall procure the Work, equipment, goods, or service, from the related party, as a Subcontractor, according to the terms of Article 10. If the Owner fails to authorize the transaction in writing, the Contractor shall procure the Work, equipment, goods, or service from some person or entity other than a related party according to the terms of Article 10.

## **ARTICLE 8 COSTS NOT TO BE REIMBURSED**

**§ 8.1** The Cost of the Work shall not include the items listed below:

- .1 Salaries and other compensation of the Contractor's personnel stationed at the Contractor's principal office or offices other than the site office, except as specifically provided in Section 7.2, or as may be provided in Article 15;
- .2 Bonuses, profit sharing, incentive compensation, and any other discretionary payments, paid to anyone hired by the Contractor or paid to any Subcontractor or vendor, unless the Owner has provided prior approval;
- .3 Expenses of the Contractor's principal office and offices other than the site office;
- .4 Overhead and general expenses, except as may be expressly included in Article 7;
- .5 The Contractor's capital expenses, including but not limited to interest on or loss of use of the Contractor's capital employed for the Work;
- .6 Except as provided in Section 7.7.3 of this Agreement, costs due to the negligence of, or failure to fulfill a specific responsibility of the Contract by, the Contractor, Subcontractors, and suppliers, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable;
- .7 Any cost not specifically and expressly described in Article 7; and
- .8 Costs, other than costs included in Change Orders approved by the Owner, that would cause the Guaranteed Maximum Price to be exceeded.

## **ARTICLE 9 DISCOUNTS, REBATES AND REFUNDS**

**§ 9.1** Omitted intentionally.

**§ 9.2** Omitted intentionally.

## **ARTICLE 10 SUBCONTRACTS AND OTHER AGREEMENTS**

**§ 10.1** Those portions of the Work that the Contractor does not customarily perform with the Contractor's own personnel shall be performed under subcontracts or other appropriate agreements with the Contractor. The Owner may designate specific persons from whom, or entities from which, the Contractor shall obtain bids. The Contractor shall obtain bids from Subcontractors, and from suppliers of materials or equipment fabricated especially for the Work, who are qualified to perform that portion of the Work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall deliver such bids to the Architect and Owner with an indication as to which bids the Contractor intends to accept. The Owner then has the right to review the Contractor's list of proposed subcontractors and suppliers in consultation with the Architect and, subject to Section 10.1.1, to object to any subcontractor or supplier. Any advice of the Architect, or approval or objection by the Owner, shall not relieve the Contractor of its responsibility to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall not be required to contract with anyone to whom the Contractor has reasonable objection.

§ 10.1.1 When a specific subcontractor or supplier (1) is recommended to the Owner by the Contractor; (2) is qualified to perform that portion of the Work; and (3) has submitted a bid that conforms to the requirements of the Contract Documents without reservations or exceptions, but the Owner requires that another bid be accepted, then the Contractor may require that a Change Order be issued to adjust the Guaranteed Maximum Price by the difference between the bid of the person or entity recommended to the Owner by the Contractor and the amount of the subcontract or other agreement actually signed with the person or entity designated by the Owner.

§ 10.2 Subcontracts or other agreements shall conform to the applicable payment provisions of this Agreement, and shall not be awarded on the basis of cost plus a fee without the Owner's prior written approval. If a subcontract is awarded on the basis of cost plus a fee, the Contractor shall provide in the subcontract for the Owner to receive the same audit rights with regard to the Subcontractor as the Owner receives with regard to the Contractor in Article 11.

## ARTICLE 11 ACCOUNTING RECORDS

The Contractor shall keep full and detailed records and accounts related to the Cost of the Work, and exercise such controls, as may be necessary for proper financial management under this Contract and to substantiate all costs incurred. The accounting and control systems shall be satisfactory to the Owner. The Owner and the Owner's auditors shall, during regular business hours and upon reasonable notice, be afforded access to, and shall be permitted to audit and copy, the Contractor's records and accounts, including complete documentation supporting accounting entries, books, job cost reports, correspondence, instructions, drawings, receipts, subcontracts, Subcontractor's proposals, Subcontractor's invoices, purchase orders, vouchers, memoranda, and other data relating to this Contract. The Contractor shall preserve these records for a period of three years after final payment, or for such longer period as may be required by law.

## ARTICLE 12 PAYMENTS

### § 12.1 Progress Payments

§ 12.1.1 Based upon Applications for Payment submitted to the Architect by the Contractor, and Certificates for Payment issued by the Architect, the Owner shall make progress payments on account of the Contract Sum to the Contractor as provided below and elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

§ 12.1.2 The period covered by each Application for Payment shall be one calendar month ending on the last day of the month, or as follows:

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§ 12.1.3 Provided that an Application for Payment is received by the Architect not later than the **seventh (7th)** day of a month, the Owner shall make payment of the amount certified to the Contractor not later than the **twenty-first (21st)** day of the **next** month. If an Application for Payment is received by the Architect after the application date fixed above, payment of the amount certified shall be made by the Owner not later than **thirty (30)** days after the Architect receives the Application for Payment.  
*(Federal, state or local laws may require payment within a certain period of time.)*

§ 12.1.4 With each Application for Payment, in addition to what is otherwise required by the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall submit payrolls, petty cash accounts, receipted invoices or invoices with check vouchers attached, and any other evidence required by the Owner or Architect to demonstrate that payments already made by the Contractor on account of the Cost of the Work equal or exceed progress payments already received by the Contractor plus payrolls for the period covered by the present Application for Payment, less that portion of the progress payments attributable to the Contractor's Fee.

§ 12.1.5 Each Application for Payment shall be based on the most recent schedule of values submitted by the Contractor in accordance with the Contract Documents. The schedule of values shall allocate the entire Guaranteed Maximum Price among: (1) the various portions of the Work; (2) any contingency for costs that are included in the Guaranteed Maximum Price but not otherwise allocated to another line item or included in a Change Order; and (3) the Contractor's Fee.

§ 12.1.5.1 The schedule of values shall be prepared in such form and supported by such data to substantiate its accuracy as the Architect may require. The schedule of values shall be used as a basis for reviewing the Contractor's Applications for Payment.

§ 12.1.5.2 The allocation of the Guaranteed Maximum Price under this Section 12.1.5 shall not constitute a separate guaranteed maximum price for the Cost of the Work of each individual line item in the schedule of values.

§ 12.1.5.3 When the Contractor allocates costs from a contingency to another line item in the schedule of values, the Contractor shall submit supporting documentation to the Architect.

§ 12.1.6 Applications for Payment shall show the percentage of completion of each portion of the Work as of the end of the period covered by the Application for Payment. The percentage of completion shall be the lesser of (1) the percentage of that portion of the Work which has actually been completed; or (2) the percentage obtained by dividing (a) the expense that has actually been incurred by the Contractor on account of that portion of the Work and for which the Contractor has made payment or intends to make payment prior to the next Application for Payment, by (b) the share of the Guaranteed Maximum Price allocated to that portion of the Work in the schedule of values.

§ 12.1.7 In accordance with AIA Document A201–2017 and subject to other provisions of the Contract Documents, the amount of each progress payment shall be computed as follows:

§ 12.1.7.1 The amount of each progress payment shall first include:

- .1 That portion of the Guaranteed Maximum Price properly allocable to completed Work as determined by multiplying the percentage of completion of each portion of the Work by the share of the Guaranteed Maximum Price allocated to that portion of the Work in the most recent schedule of values;
- .2 That portion of the Guaranteed Maximum Price properly allocable to materials and equipment delivered and suitably stored at the site for subsequent incorporation in the completed construction or, if approved in writing in advance by the Owner, suitably stored off the site at a location agreed upon in writing;
- .3 That portion of Construction Change Directives that the Architect determines, in the Architect's professional judgment, to be reasonably justified; and
- .4 The Contractor's Fee, computed upon the Cost of the Work described in the preceding Sections 12.1.7.1.1 and 12.1.7.1.2 at the rate stated in Section 5.1.1 or, if the Contractor's Fee is stated as a fixed sum in that Section, an amount that bears the same ratio to that fixed-sum fee as the Cost of the Work included in Sections 12.1.7.1.1 and 12.1.7.1.2 bears to a reasonable estimate of the probable Cost of the Work upon its completion.

§ 12.1.7.2 The amount of each progress payment shall then be reduced by:

- .1 The aggregate of any amounts previously paid by the Owner;
- .2 The amount, if any, for Work that remains uncorrected and for which the Architect has previously withheld a Certificate for Payment as provided in Article 9 of AIA Document A201–2017;
- .3 Any amount for which the Contractor does not intend to pay a Subcontractor or material supplier, unless the Work has been performed by others the Contractor intends to pay;
- .4 For Work performed or defects discovered since the last payment application, any amount for which the Architect may withhold payment, or nullify a Certificate of Payment in whole or in part, as provided in Article 9 of AIA Document A201–2017;
- .5 The shortfall, if any, indicated by the Contractor in the documentation required by Section 12.1.4 to substantiate prior Applications for Payment, or resulting from errors subsequently discovered by the Owner's auditors in such documentation; and
- .6 Retainage withheld pursuant to Section 12.1.8.

## § 12.1.8 Retainage

§ 12.1.8.1 For each progress payment made prior to final payment as provided in Section 12.2, the Owner may withhold the following amount, as retainage, from the payment otherwise due:

*(Insert a percentage or amount to be withheld as retainage from each Application for Payment. The amount of retainage may be limited by governing law.)*

For each progress payment made prior to Final Completion of the Work, the Owner may withhold five percent (5%) of the total Application for Payment being submitted. Retainage will be managed in conformance with *Subchapter B, Tex. Gov't. Code § 2252*. Contractor shall not withhold retainage from Subcontractors in amounts that are any percentage greater than that withheld in this Section 12.1.8.1. Any reduction or release of retainage, or portion thereof should Owner decide to do so, shall not be a waiver of (1) any of the Owner's rights to retainage in

connection with other payments to the Contractor or (2) any other right or remedy that the Owner has under the Contract Documents, at law, or in equity.

**§ 12.1.8.1.1** The following items are not subject to retainage:

*(Insert any items not subject to the withholding of retainage, such as general conditions, insurance, etc.)*

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**§ 12.1.8.2** Reduction or limitation of retainage, if any, shall be as follows:

*(If the retainage established in Section 12.1.8.1 is to be modified prior to Substantial Completion of the entire Work, insert provisions for such modification.)*

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**§ 12.1.8.3** Left blank intentionally.

**§ 12.1.9** If final completion of the Work is materially delayed through no fault of the Contractor, the Owner shall pay the Contractor any additional amounts in accordance with Article 9 of AIA Document A201–2017.

**§ 12.1.10** Except with the Owner's prior written approval, the Contractor shall not make advance payments to suppliers for materials or equipment which have not been delivered and suitably stored at the site.

**§ 12.1.11** The Owner and the Contractor shall agree upon a mutually acceptable procedure for review and approval of payments to Subcontractors, and the percentage of retainage held on Subcontracts, and the Contractor shall execute subcontracts in accordance with those agreements.

**§ 12.1.12** In taking action on the Contractor's Applications for Payment the Architect shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy and completeness of the information furnished by the Contractor, and such action shall not be deemed to be a representation that (1) the Architect has made a detailed examination, audit, or arithmetic verification, of the documentation submitted in accordance with Section 12.1.4 or other supporting data; (2) that the Architect has made exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections; or (3) that the Architect has made examinations to ascertain how or for what purposes the Contractor has used amounts previously paid on account of the Contract. Such examinations, audits, and verifications, if required by the Owner, will be performed by the Owner's auditors acting in the sole interest of the Owner.

**§ 12.2 Final Payment**

**§ 12.2.1** Final payment, constituting the entire unpaid balance of the Contract Sum, shall be made by the Owner to the Contractor when

- .1 the Contractor has fully performed the Contract, except for the Contractor's responsibility to correct Work as provided in Article 12 of AIA Document A201–2017, and to satisfy other requirements, if any, which extend beyond final payment;
- .2 the Contractor has submitted a final accounting for the Cost of the Work and a final Application for Payment; and
- .3 a final Certificate for Payment has been issued by the Architect in accordance with Section 12.2.2.

**§ 12.2.2** Within 30 days of the Owner's receipt of the Contractor's final accounting for the Cost of the Work, the Owner shall conduct an audit of the Cost of the Work or notify the Architect that it will not conduct an audit.

**§ 12.2.2.1** If the Owner conducts an audit of the Cost of the Work, the Owner shall, within 10 days after completion of the audit, submit a written report based upon the auditors' findings to the Architect.

**§ 12.2.2.2** Within seven days after receipt of the written report described in Section 12.2.2.1, or receipt of notice that the Owner will not conduct an audit, and provided that the other conditions of Section 12.2.1 have been met, the Architect will either issue to the Owner a final Certificate for Payment with a copy to the Contractor, or notify the Contractor and Owner in writing of the Architect's reasons for withholding a certificate as provided in Article 9 of AIA Document A201–2017. The time periods stated in this Section 12.2.2 supersede those stated in Article 9 of AIA Document A201–2017. The Architect is not responsible for verifying the accuracy of the Contractor's final accounting.



§ 12.2.2.3 If the Owner's auditors' report concludes that the Cost of the Work, as substantiated by the Contractor's final accounting, is less than claimed by the Contractor, the Contractor shall be entitled to request mediation of the disputed amount without seeking an initial decision pursuant to Article 15 of AIA Document A201–2017. A request for mediation shall be made by the Contractor within 30 days after the Contractor's receipt of a copy of the Architect's final Certificate for Payment. Failure to request mediation within this 30-day period shall result in the substantiated amount reported by the Owner's auditors becoming binding on the Contractor. Pending a final resolution of the disputed amount, the Owner shall pay the Contractor the amount certified in the Architect's final Certificate for Payment.

§ 12.2.3 The Owner's final payment to the Contractor shall be made no later than 30 days after the issuance of the Architect's final Certificate for Payment, or as follows:

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§ 12.2.4 If, subsequent to final payment, and at the Owner's request, the Contractor incurs costs, described in Article 7 and not excluded by Article 8, to correct defective or nonconforming Work, the Owner shall reimburse the Contractor for such costs, and the Contractor's Fee applicable thereto, on the same basis as if such costs had been incurred prior to final payment, but not in excess of the Guaranteed Maximum Price. If adjustments to the Contract Sum are provided for in Section 5.1.7, the amount of those adjustments shall be recalculated, taking into account any reimbursements made pursuant to this Section 12.2.4 in determining the net amount to be paid by the Owner to the Contractor.

### § 12.3 Interest

Payments due and unpaid under the Contract shall comply with Texas Government Code Section 2251.022, and, as provided in Texas Government Code Section 2251.025, shall bear interest from the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day after the payment is required to be paid under the terms of this Agreement at the rate stated below, or in the absence thereof, at the legal rate stated in AIA Form A201-2017.  
*(Insert rate of interest agreed upon, if any.)*

**A payment is overdue on the 31st day after the payment is required to be paid under the terms of this Agreement. The per annum interest rate for overdue payments under this Agreement shall be the lesser of: (i) the rate of interest for overdue amounts set forth in Texas Government Code Section 2251.025, which is currently the one percent plus the per annum "prime rate" as published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year of Owner that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday, or (ii) the maximum rate of interest permitted by Texas Law or applicable Federal Law. In no event shall interest contracted for, charged, or received under this Agreement (plus any other charges in connection herewith which constitute interest) exceed the maximum interest permitted by applicable Texas or Federal law. The amounts of such interest or other charges previously paid to the Contractor in excess of the amounts permitted by applicable law, if any, shall be refunded to Owner.**

## ARTICLE 13 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

### § 13.1 Initial Decision Maker

The Architect will serve as Initial Decision Maker pursuant to Article 15 of AIA Document A201–2017, unless the parties appoint below another individual, not a party to the Agreement, to serve as Initial Decision Maker.  
*(If the parties mutually agree, insert the name, address and other contact information of the Initial Decision Maker, if other than the Architect.)*

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### § 13.2 Binding Dispute Resolution

For any Claim subject to, but not resolved by mediation pursuant to Article 15 of AIA Document A201–2017, the method of binding dispute resolution shall be as follows:  
*(Check the appropriate box.)*

☐ Arbitration pursuant to Section 15 of AIA Document A201–2017

[ ☒ ] Litigation in a court of competent jurisdiction

[ ☐ ] Other (*Specify*)

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If the Owner and Contractor do not select a method of binding dispute resolution, or do not subsequently agree in writing to a binding dispute resolution method other than litigation, Claims will be resolved by litigation in a court of competent jurisdiction.

## ARTICLE 14 TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION

### § 14.1 Termination

§ 14.1.1 The Contract may be terminated by the Owner or the Contractor as provided in Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017.

### § 14.1.2 Termination by the Owner for Cause

§ 14.1.2.1 If the Owner terminates the Contract for cause as provided in Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017, the amount, if any, to be paid to the Contractor under Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017 shall not cause the Guaranteed Maximum Price to be exceeded, nor shall it exceed an amount calculated as follows:

- .1 Take the Cost of the Work incurred by the Contractor to the date of termination;
- .2 Add the Contractor's Fee, computed upon the Cost of the Work to the date of termination at the rate stated in Section 5.1.1 or, if the Contractor's Fee is stated as a fixed sum in that Section, an amount that bears the same ratio to that fixed-sum Fee as the Cost of the Work at the time of termination bears to a reasonable estimate of the probable Cost of the Work upon its completion;
- .3 Subtract the aggregate of previous payments made by the Owner; and
- .4 Subtract the costs and damages incurred, or to be incurred, by the Owner under Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017.

§ 14.1.2.2 The Owner shall also pay the Contractor fair compensation, either by purchase or rental at the election of the Owner, for any equipment owned by the Contractor that the Owner elects to retain and that is not otherwise included in the Cost of the Work under Section 14.1.2.1.1. To the extent that the Owner elects to take legal assignment of subcontracts and purchase orders (including rental agreements), the Contractor shall, as a condition of receiving the payments referred to in this Article 14, execute and deliver all such papers and take all such steps, including the legal assignment of such subcontracts and other contractual rights of the Contractor, as the Owner may require for the purpose of fully vesting in the Owner the rights and benefits of the Contractor under such subcontracts or purchase orders.

### § 14.1.3 Termination by the Owner for Convenience

If the Owner terminates the Contract for convenience in accordance with Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017, then the Owner shall pay the Contractor a termination fee as follows:

*(Insert the amount of or method for determining the fee, if any, payable to the Contractor following a termination for the Owner's convenience.)*

None« »

### § 14.2 Suspension

The Work may be suspended by the Owner as provided in Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017; in such case, the Guaranteed Maximum Price and Contract Time shall be increased as provided in Article 14 of AIA Document A201–2017, except that the term "profit" shall be understood to mean the Contractor's Fee as described in Article 5 and Section 6.4 of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 15 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

§ 15.1 Where reference is made in this Agreement to a provision of AIA Document A201–2017 or another Contract Document, the reference refers to that provision as amended or supplemented by other provisions of the Contract Documents.

§ 15.2 The Owner's representative:

(Name, address, email address and other information)

Primera Design Associates, LLC  
Thomas McCarty  
2102 Roosevelt Dr., Suite A  
Dalworthington Gardens, TX 76013  
817-881-1581

§ 15.3 The Contractor's representative:  
(Name, address, email address and other information)

Hutcherson Construction Inc.  
Reid Hutcherson  
PO Box 13100  
Arlington, TX 76094  
817-467-5422

§ 15.4 Neither the Owner's nor the Contractor's representative shall be changed without ten days' prior notice to the other party.

### § 15.5 Insurance and Bonds

§ 15.5.1 The Owner and the Contractor shall purchase and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit A, and elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

§ 15.5.2 The Contractor shall provide bonds as set forth in Exhibit A, and elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

§ 15.6 Notice in electronic format, pursuant to Article 1 of AIA Document A201–2017, may be given in accordance with AIA Document E203™–2013, Building Information Modeling and Digital Data Exhibit, if completed, or as otherwise set forth below:

*(If other than in accordance with AIA Document E203–2013, insert requirements for delivering notice in electronic format such as name, title, and email address of the recipient and whether and how the system will be required to generate a read receipt for the transmission.)*

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§ 15.7 Other provisions:

« § 15.7.1 Owner's Special Terms, Conditions, and Protocols. Owner hereby incorporates **Exhibit B** – Owner's Special Conditions and **Exhibit C**– Owner-Provided Information into this Agreement, together with all other Exhibits. »

## ARTICLE 16 ENUMERATION OF CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

§ 16.1 This Agreement is comprised of the following documents:

- .1 AIA Document A102™–2017, Standard Form of Agreement Between Owner and Contractor
- .2 *Intentionally Deleted.*
- .3 AIA Document A201™–2017, General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, as set forth in that certain AIA Document A201™–2017, as modified by Owner and delivered herewith by Contractor to Owner ("Modified Document A201"), which supersedes and replaces the standard form of AIA Document A201™–2017, and all references to "AIA Document A201™–2017" shall mean and refer to the Modified Document A201
- .4 AIA Document E203™–2013, Building Information Modeling and Digital Data Exhibit, dated as indicated below:  
*(Insert the date of the E203-2013 incorporated into this Agreement.)*

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- .5 Drawings



JPS MRI Room 1 Equipment Upgrade 100% CDs by Primera Design dated 12.7.23

**.6** Specifications:

JPS MRI Room 1 Specifications & Addendum #01 dated 1.25.24

**.7** Addenda, if any:

Number	Date	Pages
N/A	N/A	N/A

Portions of Addenda relating to bidding or proposal requirements are not part of the Contract Documents unless the bidding or proposal requirements are also enumerated in this Article 16.

**.8** Other Exhibits:

*(Check all boxes that apply.)*

[ ☐ ] AIA Document E204™–2017, Sustainable Projects Exhibit, dated as indicated below:  
*(Insert the date of the E204-2017 incorporated into this Agreement.)*

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[ ☐ ] The Sustainability Plan:

Title	Date	Pages

[ ☐ ] Supplementary and other Conditions of the Contract:

Document	Title	Date	Pages

Other documents, if any, listed below:

*(List here any additional documents that are intended to form part of the Contract Documents. AIA Document A201–2017 provides that the advertisement or invitation to bid, Instructions to Bidders, sample forms, the Contractor’s bid or proposal, portions of Addenda relating to bidding or proposal requirements, and other information furnished by the Owner in anticipation of receiving bids or proposals, are not part of the Contract Documents unless enumerated in this Agreement. Any such documents should be listed here only if intended to be part of the Contract Documents.)*

« Owner’s Request for Proposals (“RFP”) Number 19-1010.1, dated August 5, 2022, together with the Response submitted by Contractor to the RFP, opened on September 16, 2022 (date), together with all attachments and exhibits attached to the RFP and such Response.

Exhibit A Contractor's Insurance and Bond Requirements  
Exhibit B Owner's Special Conditions  
Exhibit C Owner Provided Information »  
Exhibit D Guaranteed Maximum Price Breakdown

This Agreement entered into as of the day and year first written above.

**Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS  
Health Network**

**Hutcherson Construction, Inc.**

By:

**OWNER** *(Signature)*

Karen Duncan, M.D., President and CEO

(Printed name and title)

**CONTRACTOR** *(Signature)*

Reid Hutcherson, Vice President

(Printed name and title)