

**TOWN OF CUTLER BAY  
RFP NO. 20-04  
TREE PLANTING PROGRAM**

**CONTRACT FOR TREE PLANTING PROGRAM  
SERVICES BETWEEN TOWN OF CUTLER BAY AND**

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THIS IS A CONTRACT FOR TREE PLANTING PROGRAM ("Contract"), dated \_\_\_\_\_ ("Effective Date") by and between TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, a Florida municipal corporation, (hereinafter referred to as "Town"), and \_\_\_\_\_, a Florida corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor").

**W I T N E S S E T H**

**WHEREAS**, the Town solicited bids for the TREE PLANTING PROGRAM ("Project") through Request for Proposal No. 20-04; and

**WHEREAS**, the Contractor responded to the Town's solicitation by submitting its bid ("Bid"), attached and incorporated hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

**WHEREAS**, after review and consideration of all submitted bids, the Town Manager recommended the Contractor to \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Work") for the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, on \_\_\_\_\_, pursuant to Resolution No. 20-XX, attached and incorporated hereto as Exhibit "B", the Town Council approved the Contractor to perform the Work and authorized the Town to contract with the Contractor to perform the Work for the Project; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the Contractor and the Town agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1  
SCOPE OF WORK**

- 1.1 The Contractor shall furnish all labor, materials, supervision, equipment, supplies, and incidentals required to perform the scope of work as outlined in the Detailed Requirements of this Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit "E" (the "Work").
- 1.2 Contractor shall perform all necessary tasks in order to complete the Work.
- 1.3 Contractor shall have on hand at all times and in good working order such vehicles, machinery, tools, accessories, and other items necessary to perform the Work under this Agreement. All vehicles used by Contractor to provide services under this Agreement shall be painted uniformly with the name of Contractor, business telephone number, and the number of the vehicle in letters legible by the public. The Town may require the repair or replacement of equipment as reasonably necessary. No other advertising shall be permitted on the vehicles. A magnetic sign displaying the Town of Cutler Bay Logo and a caption noting "Public Works" will always be required on vehicles.

- 1.3.1 The Contractor shall at all times have a competent English speaking supervisor on site who thoroughly understands the Work, who shall, as the Contractor's agent, supervise, direct and otherwise conduct the Work. Contractor's employees shall serve the public in a courteous, helpful, and impartial manner.
- 1.3.2 Contractor's employees shall wear a clean uniform that provides identification of both the Contractor's company and the name of the employee
- 1.3.3 Contractor shall, upon receipt of a written request from the Town, immediately exclude any employee of Contractor from providing Work under this Agreement.
- 1.3.4 All references in this Agreement to the Contractor shall include Contractor's employees or subcontractors, wherever applicable.

## **ARTICLE 2**

### **TERM**

- 2.1 The Term of this Contract shall be effective and commence upon full execution of this Contract by both parties and shall continue for a term of four (4) years. At its sole discretion, the Town shall have the right and option to renew this Contract for up to three (3) additional one (1) year terms, upon the same terms and conditions, including unit pricing (the "Renewal Options"). The Renewal Option(s) may be exercised by the Town Manager, at his sole discretion. Such renewal shall be effective upon receipt of a written notice from the Town Manager to the Contractor received no later than thirty (30) days prior to the date of termination of the initial term or applicable Renewal Option term.

## **ARTICLE 3**

### **PROTECTION OF PROPERTY AND THE PUBLIC**

- 3.1 The Contractor shall continuously maintain adequate protection of all his Work from damage and shall protect public and private property from injury or loss arising in connection with this Agreement as follows:
- 3.2 The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of employees in the performance of the Work on, about or adjacent to the work sites, and shall comply with all applicable provisions of Federal, State, and local laws, including, but not limited to the requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, and amendments thereto, and building codes to prevent accidents or injury to persons on, about or adjacent to the work site where the Work is being performed.
- 3.3 The Contractor shall erect and properly maintain at all times, all necessary safeguards, including sufficient lights and danger signals on or near the Work, from sunset to sunrise, suitable railings, barricades, or other hazards or other protective devices about unfinished work, open trenches, embankments, or other hazards and obstructions to traffic; provide all necessary security staff on the Work by day or by night for the safety of the public; and take all necessary precautions to prevent accidents and injuries to persons or property on or near the Work.

- 3.4 The Contractor shall be completely responsible for, and shall replace and make good all loss, injury, or damage to any property (including landscaping, walks, drives, or structures of the Town and of any land adjoining the work site), which may be caused by Contractor. The Contractor shall, at all times while the Work is in progress, use extraordinary care to see that adjacent property, whether real or personal, is not endangered in any way by reason of fire, water, or construction operations, and shall take all necessary or directed steps, to protect the property.
- 3.5 Buildings, sidewalks, fences, shade trees, lawns and all other improvements shall be duly protected from damage by Contractor. Property obstructions, such as sewers, drains, water or gas lines, conduits, railroads, poles, walls, posts, galleries, bridges, manholes, valve boxes, meter boxes, street monuments, etc., shall be carefully protected from injury and shall not be displaced. The Contractor shall give due notice to any department or public service corporation controlling such items as manholes, valve boxes, meter boxes, street monuments, etc., prior to adjusting them to grade and shall be held strictly liable to the affected utility if any such appliances are disturbed, damaged or covered up during the course of the Work.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

#### **COMPENSATION /PAYMENT**

- 4.1 Contractor shall provide the Town with an invoice on a monthly basis within ten (10) days of the end of each month stating the services provided in the preceding month along with the dumping/tipping tickets.
- 4.2 The Town shall make payment on said invoices of approved amounts due, as required under the Florida Prompt Payment Act. No payments shall be due or payable for Work not performed or materials not furnished. If there is a dispute with regard to an invoice, the Town may withhold payment until all requested supporting materials are received from Contractor and the dispute is resolved.
- 4.3 Contractor shall be compensated at the unit prices specified in the Bid Proposal, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", based upon the actual Work completed for the month. The total compensation under this Agreement shall not exceed **\$ XXXXXX** (the "Agreement Sum").
- 4.4 The payment of any Application for Payment by Town, including the final request for payment, does not constitute approval or acceptance by Town of any item of the Work reflected in such Application for Payment, nor shall it be construed as a waiver of any of the Town's rights hereunder or at law or in equity.

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**ARTICLE 5**  
**CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

5.1 Each of the following are made a part of this Contract for the Project (collectively “Contract Documents”):

Exhibit “A”	Bid or Proposal Submitted by Contractor
Exhibit “B”	Town Authorization: Resolution No. 20-XX
Exhibit “C”	Introduction
Exhibit “D”	Special Conditions
Exhibit “E”	Detailed Requirements
Exhibit “F”	RFP Forms
Exhibit “G”	Advertisement for Bids
Exhibit “H”	Performance Bond
Exhibit “I”	Insurance and Licenses

5.2 **Priority of Interpretation.** The Code and any Town resolutions take precedence over this agreement and its exhibits. This document without exhibits is referred to as the “Base Agreement.” In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, service, or other work, or otherwise, between the Base Agreement and the exhibits, or between exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the body of this Base Agreement, and then to the exhibits according to the following priority:

- a) Town Resolution Approving Contractor
- b) Town Request for Proposal (“RFP”)
- c) Drawings, Plans and Specifications approved by the Town
- c) Contractor’s Response to RFP
- d) Insurance Certificates
- e) Notice to Proceed (NTP)
- f) Performance and Payment Bond

5.3 Any mandatory clauses which are required by such federal, state, or other governmental regulations shall be deemed to be automatically incorporated herein. In the event of any conflict among the foregoing Contract Documents, the documents shall govern in the order listed and/or as determined by the Town Engineer.

5.4 The Contract Documents shall remain the property of the Town. The Contractor shall have the right to keep one record set of the Contract Documents upon completion of the Project; provided; however, that in no event shall the Contractor use, or permit to be used, any or all of such Contract Documents on other Projects without the Town's prior written authorization.

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## **ARTICLE 6**

### **INDEMNIFICATION**

- 6.1 The parties agree that 1% of the total compensation paid to the Contractor for the performance of this Contract shall represent the specific consideration for the Contractor's indemnification of the Town as set forth in this Article.
- 6.2 To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Town and its officials, consultants, agents and employees from and against all demands, claims, suits, liabilities, damages, losses and expenses, direct, indirect or consequential (including but not limited to fees and charges of attorneys and other professionals and court costs including appeals) arising out of, related to, or resulting from the performance or non-performance of the Work, or Contractor's obligations, or the Work under this Contract, including but not limited to any such claim, damage, loss or expense that is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death sustained by any person, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property or any other property (other than the Work itself) including the loss of use resulting therefrom, caused in whole or in part by any willful and wanton or negligent or gross negligent acts or omission of Contractor, any subcontractor, any person or organization directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform or furnish any of the Work or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not it is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder or arises by or is imposed by applicable law and regardless of the negligence of any such party.
- 6.3 In any and all claims against the Town or any of its officers, consultants, agents or employees by any employee of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any person or organization directly or indirectly employed by Contractor, any Subcontractor, person or organization to perform or furnish any of the Work or any person or entity for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under the above paragraph shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for Contractor or any such Subcontractor or other person or organization under worker's or workman's compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.
- 6.4 It is the specific intent of the parties hereto that the foregoing indemnification shall comply with Section 725.06, Florida Statutes. It is further the specific intent and agreement of the parties that all of the Contract Documents for this Project are hereby amended to include the foregoing indemnification and the "Specific Consideration" therefore.
- 6.5 Notwithstanding any obligation which may be set forth or required in the Contract or Contract Documents, the Town shall not indemnify or hold harmless the Contractor or any Subcontractor, Engineer, or any officer, director, partner, employee, agents, consultant of each or any of them from any claims, costs, losses or damages arising out of any Work performed or this Contract, and any reference or inclusion of such indemnification by the Town or Owner in the Contract Documents is hereby deleted. The parties acknowledge and agree that the Town is a municipal corporation that enjoys sovereign immunity pursuant to applicable law, and shall not and does not waive any rights and protections pursuant to such sovereign immunity. Nothing in this Contract is intended to waive the Town's sovereign immunity, nor shall anything in this Contract shall be construed to waive the Town's sovereign immunity.

**ARTICLE 7**  
**INSURANCE AND BONDS**

7.1 **Insurance.** Contractor shall secure and maintain throughout the duration of this Contract insurance of such types and in such amounts as listed in the Contract Documents, including and in no event less than the policies, coverages and minimum limits specified below and as satisfactory to Town, naming the Town as an Additional Insured, underwritten by a firm rated A-X or better by Bests Rating and qualified to do business in the State of Florida. Certificates of Insurance shall be provided to the Town, reflecting the Town as an Additional Insured, no later than ten (10) days after award of this Contract and prior to the execution of this Contract by Town and prior to commencing any Work. Each certificate shall include no less than (30) thirty day advance written notice to Town prior to cancellation, termination, or material alteration of said policies or insurance. The insurance coverage shall be primary insurance with respect to the Town, its officials, employees, agents and volunteers naming the Town as additional insured. Any insurance maintained by the Town shall be in excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute to the Contractor's insurance. The insurance coverages shall include at a minimum the amounts set forth in this Section.

- a. Commercial General Liability coverage with limits of liability of not less than a \$1,000,000 per Occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage. This Liability Insurance shall also include Completed Operations and Product Liability coverages and eliminate the exclusion with respect to property under the care, custody and control of Contractor. The General Aggregate Liability limit (except for Products/Completed Operations) shall be in the amount of \$2,000,000.
- b. Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance, to apply for all employees for statutory limits as required by applicable State and Federal laws. The policy(ies) must include Employer's Liability with minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00 each accident. No employee, subcontractor or agent of the Contractor shall be allowed to provide Work pursuant to this Contract who is not covered by Worker's Compensation insurance.
- c. Business Automobile Liability with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per Occurrence combined single limit for Bodily Injury and Property Damage. Coverage must be afforded on a form no more restrictive than the latest edition of the Business Automobile Liability policy, without restrictive endorsements, as filed by the Insurance Services Office, and must include Owned, Hired, and Non-Owned Vehicles.
- d. Builder's Risk property insurance upon the entire Work to the full replacement cost value thereof. This insurance shall include the interest of Town and Contractor and shall provide All-Risk coverage against loss by physical damage including, but not limited to, Fire, Extended Coverage, Theft, and Vandalism and Malicious Mischief.
- e. Contractor acknowledges that it shall bear the full risk of loss for any portion of the Work damaged, destroyed, lost or stolen until Final Completion has been achieved for the Project, and all such Work shall be fully restored by the Contractor, at its sole cost and expense, in accordance with the Contract Documents.

- f. **Certificate of Insurance.** On or before the Effective Date of this Contract, the Contractor shall provide the Town with Certificates of Insurance for all required policies. The Contractor shall be responsible for assuring that the insurance certificates required by this Section remain in full force and effect for the duration of this Contract, including any extensions or renewals that may be granted by the Town.

The Certificates of Insurance shall not only name the types of policy(ies) provided, but also shall refer specifically to this Contract and shall state that such insurance is as required by this Contract. The Town reserves the right to inspect and return a certified copy of such policies, upon written request by the Town.

If a policy is due to expire prior to the completion of the Work, renewal Certificates of Insurance shall be furnished thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of their policy expiration. Each policy certificate shall be endorsed with a provision that not less than thirty (30) calendar days' written notice shall be provided to the Town before any policy or coverage is cancelled or restricted. Acceptance of the Certificate(s) is subject to approval of the Town.

- g. **Additional Insured.** The Town is to be specifically included as an Additional Insured for the liability of the Town resulting from Work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor in performance of this Contract. The Contractor's insurance, including that applicable to the Town as an Additional Insured, shall apply on a primary basis and any other insurance maintained by the Town shall be in excess of and shall not contribute to the Contractor's insurance.

The Contractor's insurance shall contain a severability of interest provision providing that, except with respect to the total limits of liability, the insurance shall apply to each Insured or Additional Insured (for applicable policies) in the same manner as if separate policies had been issued to each.

- h. **Deductibles.** All deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and be reasonably approved by the Town. The Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any deductible or self-insured retention in the event of any claim.
- i. The provisions of this Section shall survive termination of this Contract.

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- 7.2 **Bonds.** Prior to performing any portion of the Work and within three (3) days of the Effective Date hereof, the Contractor shall deliver to Town the Bonds required to be provided by Contractor hereunder and the Contract Documents (collectively, “Bonds”). Pursuant to and in accordance with Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, the Contractor shall obtain and thereafter at all times during the performance of the Work maintain a separate performance bond and labor and material payment bond for the Work, in the amount of the total bid amount, or Contract Price, whichever is greater, in the form provided in the Contract Documents or another form satisfactory to, and approved in writing by the Town and executed by a surety of recognized standing with a rating of A or better for bonds up to Two Million Dollars. The surety providing such Bonds must be licensed, authorized, and admitted to do business in the State of Florida and must be listed in the Federal Register (Dept. of Treasury, Circular 570). The cost of the premiums for such Bonds is included in the Contract Price. If notice of any change affecting the Scope of the Work, the Contract Price, Contract Time or any of the provisions of the Contract Documents is required by the provisions of any bond to be given to a surety, the giving of any such notice shall be Contractor’s sole responsibility, and the amount of each applicable bond shall be adjusted accordingly. If the surety is declared bankrupt or becomes insolvent or its right to do business in Florida is terminated or it ceases to meet applicable law or regulations, the Contractor shall, within five (5) days of any such event, substitute another bond (or Bonds as applicable) and surety, all of which must be satisfactory to Town.
- 7.3 Notwithstanding any obligation which may be set forth or required in the Contract Documents, the Town shall not be required to procure or maintain any insurance in connection with the Work or this Contract, including, but not limited to, Owner’s Liability Insurance or Property Insurance.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **CONTRACTOR’S REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES**

- 8.1 In order to induce the Town to enter into this Contract, the Contractor makes the following representations and warranties:
- 8.1.1 Contractor has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents and the other data identified in the bidding documents, including, without limitation, the “technical specifications and data” and plans and specifications, attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- 8.1.2 Contractor has visited the Project site and has become familiar with the site and is satisfied as to the general, local, and site conditions that may affect cost, progress, performance or furnishing of the Work.
- 8.1.3 Contractor has taken affirmative efforts, either in past experience or active due diligence, to become familiar with, and warrants to comply, with all federal regulated stated herein, and other applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and permits necessary for the legal performance of this Contract. Contractor is aware of all regulations and permits that may affect cost, progress, performance and furnishing of the Work. Contractor agrees that it will at all times comply with all requirements of the federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and permits applicable to the Work—even if such laws and regulations are not specifically enumerated in this Agreement.



- 8.1.4 Contractor has had the opportunity and made, or caused to be made, examinations, investigations, tests and/or studies as necessary to determine surface and subsurface conditions at or on the Project site. Contractor acknowledges that the Town does not assume responsibility for the accuracy or completeness of information and data shown or indicated in the Contract Documents with respect to underground or ground facilities at, contiguous or near the Project sites or for existing improvements at or near the sites. Contractor has obtained and carefully studied (or assumes responsibility for having done so) all such additional supplementary examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies and data concerning conditions (surface, subsurface and underground facilities and improvements) at, contiguous or near to the site or otherwise which may affect cost, progress, performance or furnishing of the Work or which relate to any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor and safety precautions and programs incident thereto. Contractor does not consider that any additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies or data are necessary for the performance and furnishing of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Time and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract Documents.
- 8.1.5 Contractor is aware of the nature of work to be performed by the Town and others at the site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
- 8.1.6 Contractor has correlated the information known to Contractor, information and observations obtained from visits to the Project site, reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents and all additional examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies and data with the Contract Documents.
- 8.1.7 Contractor has given the Town written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents and the written resolution thereof by Town is acceptable to Contractor, and the Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.
- 8.1.8 The Contractor agrees and represents that it possesses the requisite skills to perform the Work and that the Work shall be executed in a good and workmanlike manner, free from defects, and that all materials shall be new and approved by or acceptable to Town, except as otherwise expressly provided for in the Contract Documents. The Contractor shall cause all materials and other parts of the Work to be readily available as and when required or needed for or in connection with the construction, furnishing and equipping of the Project.

8.2 Contractor further warrants and covenants the following:

- 8.2.1 **Anti-Discrimination.** Contractor agrees that it will not discriminate against any employees or applicants for employment or against persons for any other benefit or service under this Contract because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or physical or mental handicap where the handicap does not affect the ability of an individual to perform in a position of employment, and agrees to abide by all federal and state laws regarding non-discrimination.
- 8.2.2 **Anti-Kickback.** Contractor warrants that no person has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, and that no employee or officer of the Town has any interest, financially or otherwise, in the Project.

For breach or violation of this warranty, the Town shall have the right to annul this Contract without liability or, in its discretion, to deduct from the Contract Price or consideration, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

- 8.2.3 **Licensing and Permits.** Contractor warrants that it shall have, prior to commencement of Work under this Contract and at all times during said Work, all required valid licenses and permits in compliance with all federal, state, county or Town regulations and laws. Contractor acknowledges that it is the obligation of Contractor to obtain all licenses and permits required for this Work for the Project.

## **ARTICLE 9**

### **DEFAULT, TERMINATION, AND REMEDIES**

- 9.1 The happening of any one or more of the following shall be deemed an Event of Default under this Contract, if the Contractor:

- (a) fails to timely begin the Work;
- (b) fails to perform the Work with sufficient workers and equipment or has insufficient materials to insure the prompt completion of the Work within the Contract Time as specified in Article 2 of this Contract and the applicable Notice to Proceed;
- (c) performs the Work unsuitably or causes the Work to be rejected as defective and unsuitable;
- (d) discontinues the prosecution of the Work pursuant to the accepted schedule;
- (e) fails to perform or comply with any material term set forth in the Contract Documents;
- (f) becomes insolvent, declared bankrupt, commits any act of bankruptcy or insolvency, or makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors; or
- (g) causes any act, whatsoever, not to carry on the Work in an acceptable manner.

- 9.2 In the Event of Default, the Town may, upon seven (7) days written notice:

- (a) terminate the services of Contractor;
- (b) exclude Contractor from the Project site;
- (c) provide for alternate prosecution of the Work;
- (d) appropriate or use any or all materials and equipment on the Project site as may be suitable and acceptable; and
- (e) finish the Work by whatever methods it may deem expedient.

In the event of an Event of Default, the Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment, from the time notice of termination is sent, until the Project is completed. All damages, costs and charges incurred by Town, together with the costs of completing the Project, shall be deducted from any monies due or which may become due to Contractor. In case the damages and expenses so incurred by Town shall exceed monies due Contractor from Town, Contractor shall be liable and shall pay to Town the amount of said excess promptly upon demand therefore by Town. In the event it is adjudicated that Town was not entitled to terminate the Contract as described hereunder for default, then the Contract shall automatically be deemed terminated by Town for convenience as described below.

- 9.3 This Contract may be terminated by the Town for convenience, or for any reason, upon seven (7) calendar days' written notice to the Contractor, in the sole discretion of the Town, including, but not limited to, if the Town has determined that such cancellation will be in the best interest of the Town for its own convenience or funding is not available, appropriated, or budgeted.

In the event the Contract is terminated for convenience, then the Contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the Project and shall, to the extent possible, terminate any outstanding subcontractor obligations, and will be paid for Work performed to the satisfaction of the Town as of the termination date. No consideration will be given for anticipated lost revenue, overhead, mobilization or demobilization or the canceled portions of the Contract. In such event, the Contractor shall promptly submit to the Town its Application for Payment for final payment which shall comply with the provisions of the Contract Documents.

- 9.4 If an Event of Default, or any default of any other material term in this Contract, by the Contractor, then the Contractor shall also be liable for all damages caused by its default which damages may include, but not be limited to, any and all costs incurred by the Town in completing the Project, Liquidated Damages as set forth in this Contract, damages arising out of the Contractor's failure to adhere to the Contract requirements, and all attorney's fees and costs incurred by the Town in seeking legal relief for the default.
- 9.5 The rights and remedies of the Town herein shall be cumulative and not mutually exclusive, and the Town may resort to any one or more or all of said remedies without exclusion of any other. No party other than the Town, whether the Contractor, a material man, laborer, subcontractor, or supplier, shall have any interest in the funds withheld because of a default herein, and shall not have any right to garnish or require or compel that payment thereof be applied toward the discharge or satisfaction of any claim or lien which any of them may have.

## **ARTICLE 10** **ASSIGNMENT**

- 10.1 Neither party shall assign the Contract, any portion of the Work, or any sub-contract, in whole or in part, without the written consent of the other, nor shall Contractor assign any monies due or to become due to it hereunder, without the previous written consent of the Town.

## **ARTICLE 11** **CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS**

- 11.1 **Contractor to Check Plans, Specifications, and Data.** Contractor shall verify all dimensions, quantities, and details shown on the Plans, Specifications or other data received from the Town's Project Engineer, and shall notify the Town's Project Engineer in writing of all errors, omissions, and discrepancies found therein within three (3) calendar days of discovery and Town's Project Engineer will promptly review the same. Any Work done after such discovery, but prior to written authorization of the Town's Project Engineer, will be done at the Contractor's sole risk.

## 11.2 **Contractor's Responsibility for Damages and Accidents.**

- 11.2.1 Contractor shall be responsible for promptly notifying the Town of any damage to irrigation systems, buildings or other structures, vehicles, or property or possessions, which occur as a result of the Work performed by Contractor pursuant to this Contract, or the improper or negligent activities of the Contractor.
- 11.2.2 Contractor shall accept full responsibility for, and insure, the Work against all loss, or damage, of any nature sustained until final acceptance by Town, and shall promptly repair any damage done from any cause.
- 11.2.3 Contractor shall be responsible for all materials, equipment, and supplies pertaining to the Project. In the event any such materials, equipment, and supplies are lost, stolen, damaged, or destroyed prior to final acceptance by Town, Contractor shall replace same without cost to Town.

## 11.3 **Defective Work/Guarantee.**

- 11.3.1 The Town shall have the authority to monitor the Work and Contractor's contracting terms with subcontractors, but such right shall not give right to a duty or obligation to such monitoring.

The Town shall have the authority to reject or disprove of Work, which the Town finds to be defective. If required by the Town, Contractor shall promptly either correct all defective Work or remove such defective Work and replace it with non-defective Work. Contractor shall bear all direct, indirect, and consequential costs of such removal or corrections including cost of testing laboratories and personnel.

- 11.3.2 Should Contractor fail or refuse to remove or correct any defective Work or to make any necessary repairs in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents within the time indicated in writing by Town's Project Engineer, the Town shall have the authority to cause the defective Work to be removed or corrected, or make such repairs as may be necessary at Contractor's expense. Any expense incurred by the Town in making such removals, corrections or repairs, shall be paid for out of any monies due or which may become due to Contractor. In the event of failure of Contractor to make all necessary repairs promptly and fully, the Town may declare Contractor in default.
- 11.3.3 Contractor shall unconditionally guarantee all materials and equipment furnished and Work performed for a period of one (1) year from the date of Substantial Completion. If, within one (1) year after the date of Substantial Completion, any of the Work is found to be defective or not in accordance with the Contract Documents, Contractor, after receipt of written notice from Town, shall promptly correct such defective or nonconforming Work within the time specified by Town without cost to Town. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to establish a period of limitation with respect to any other obligation which Contractor might have under the Contract Documents including but not limited to any claim regarding latent defects.
- 11.3.4 Failure to reject any defective Work or material shall not in any way prevent later rejection when such defect is discovered.

- 11.4 **Legal Restrictions and Traffic Provisions.** Contractor shall conform to and obey all applicable laws, regulations, or ordinances with regard to labor employed, hours of Work and Contractor's general operations. Contractor shall conduct its operations pursuant to all necessary permits from applicable jurisdictions. Contractor shall not interfere with, or close, any thoroughfare, without the written consent of the Town or governing jurisdiction.
- 11.5 **Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records.**
- 11.5.1 Contractor shall comply with the applicable provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (Public Records Law). Contractor shall retain all records associated with this Contract for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment for all Work performed pursuant to this Contract. The Town or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until three (3) years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's books, ledgers, documents, papers, or other records involving transactions related to this Contract for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- 11.6 **No Damages for Delay.** No claim for damages or any claim, other than for an extension of time shall be made or asserted against Town by reason of any delays. Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract Price or payment or compensation of any kind from Town for direct, indirect, consequential, impact or other costs, expenses, or damages, including but not limited to, costs of acceleration or inefficiency arising because of delay, disruption, interference, or hindrance from any cause whatsoever, whether such delay, disruption, interference or hindrance be reasonable or unreasonable, foreseeable or unforeseeable, or avoidable or unavoidable. Contractor shall be entitled only to extensions of the Contract Time as the sole and exclusive remedy for such resulting delay. Notwithstanding the above, and in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall be granted an extension of time and suspension of Liquidated Damages for any delay beyond the control of the Contractor. Should any delay, disruption, interference, or hindrance be caused by the Town, for a continuous period or cumulative period of forty-five (45) days, the Contractor may terminate the Contract upon twenty (20) days written notice to the Town.
- 11.7 **Clean Conditions. Safe Site.** Contractor shall, at all times, at its expense, keep the Project sites in a neat, clean and safe condition. Upon completion of any portion of the Work, Contractor shall promptly remove all of its equipment, construction materials, temporary structures and surplus materials not to be used at or near the same location during later stages of the Work. Upon completion of the Work, Contractor shall, at its expense, satisfactorily dispose of all rubbish, unused materials and other equipment and materials belonging to it or used in the performance of the Work and Contractor shall leave the Project in a neat, clean and safe condition. In the event of Contractor's failure to comply with the foregoing, the same may be accomplished by the Town at Contractor's expense.
- 11.8 **Taxes and Fees.** Contractor shall pay all taxes, levies, duties and assessments of every nature which may be applicable to the Work under this Agreement. The pricing and any agreed variations thereof shall include all taxes imposed by law at the time of this Agreement. Contractor shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law. Contractor herein indemnifies and holds the Town harmless from any liability on account of any and all such taxes, levies, duties and assessments.

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Contract Documents to the contrary, the Town may exercise its right to implement an owner direct purchase program whereby the Town will directly purchase equipment or materials for the Work. Under an owner direct purchase program, Contractor shall work with the Town to identify materials and equipment for purchase by the Town. Contractor will receive, unload, properly store, and provide insurance consistent with the requirements of this Agreement and applicable law and regulations for all equipment and materials purchased under an owner direct purchase program. The Contract Price shall be reduced as appropriate by the value of the purchase order(s), plus the applicable sales tax, issued by the Town under any owner direct purchase program.

- 11.9 **Public Entity Crimes Affidavit.** Contractor shall comply with Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, (Public Entity Crimes Statute) notification of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference, including execution of any required affidavit.
- 11.10 **Independent Contractor.** The Contractor is an independent contractor pursuant to this Contract. This Contract does not create any partnership or joint venture between the Town and Contractor. Work performed or provided by the Contractor shall be by employees of the Contractor and subject to supervision by the Contractor, and not as officers, employees, or agents of the Town. Personnel policies, tax responsibilities, social security and health insurance, employee benefits, purchasing policies and other similar administrative procedures, applicable to Work rendered under the Contract shall be those of the Contractor.
- 11.11 **DBE Contract Assurance.**
- 11.11.1 Town affirms it has encouraged women-owned, minority owned, and disadvantaged businesses of the Project and be responsive to the opportunity of the award of this Contract.
- 11.11.2 Contractor, or any subcontractor performing Work under this Contract, shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. Contractor shall carry out all applicable requirements of 49 CFE Part 26 in the award and administration of this Contract. Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this Contract, which may result in the termination of this Contract or such other remedy as the Town deems appropriate.
- 11.12 **Scrutinized Companies.**
- 11.12.1 Contractor certifies that it and its subcontractors are not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List. Pursuant to Section 287.135, F.S., the Town may immediately terminate this Agreement at its sole option if the Contractor or its subcontractors are found to have submitted a false certification; or if the Contractor, or its subcontractors are placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in the boycott of Israel during the term of the Agreement.

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- 11.12.2 If this Agreement is for more than one million dollars, the Contractor certifies that it and its subcontractors are also not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan, Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or engaged with business operations in Cuba or Syria as identified in Section 287.135, F.S. Pursuant to Section 287.135, F.S., the Tow may immediately terminate this Agreement at its sole option if the Contractor , its affiliates, or its subcontractors are found to have submitted a false certification; or if the Contractor, its affiliates, or its subcontractors are placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or engaged with business operations in Cuba or Syria during the term of the Agreement.
- 11.12.3. The Contractor agrees to observe the above requirements for applicable subcontracts entered into for the performance of work under this Agreement.
- 11.12.4. As provided in Subsection 287.135(8), F.S., if federal law ceases to authorize the above-stated contracting prohibitions then they shall become inoperative.

## **ARTICLE 12**

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- 12.1 **Governing Law.** This Contract shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any litigation arising out of this Contract shall be proper and exclusively in Miami-Dade County, Florida.
- 12.2 **Public Records Law.**
- 12.2.1 Contractor agrees to keep and maintain public records in Contractor's possession or control in connection with Contractor's performance under this Agreement. Contractor additionally agrees to comply specifically with the provisions of Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes. Contractor shall ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed, except as authorized by law, for the duration of the Agreement, and following completion of the Agreement until the records are transferred to the Town.
- 12.2.2 Upon request from the Town's custodian of public records, Contractor shall provide the Town with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided by Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.
- 12.2.3 Unless otherwise provided by law, any and all records, including but not limited to reports, surveys, and other data and documents provided or created in connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of the Town.

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- 12.2.4 Upon completion of this Agreement or in the event of termination by either party, any and all public records relating to the Agreement in the possession of the Contractor shall be delivered by the Contractor to the Town Manager, at no cost to the Town, within seven (7) days. All such records stored electronically by Contractor shall be delivered to the Town in a format that is compatible with the Town's information technology systems. Once the public records have been delivered upon completion or termination of this Agreement, the Contractor shall destroy any and all duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements.
- 12.2.5 Any compensation due to Contractor shall be withheld until all records are received as provided herein.
- 12.2.6 Contractor's failure or refusal to comply with the provisions of this section shall result in the immediate termination of this Agreement by the Town.

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**Section 119.0701(2)(a), Florida Statutes**

**IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS.**

**Custodian of Records:**      **Debra E. Eastman, MMC**  
   **Town Clerk**

**Mailing address:**              **10720 Caribbean Boulevard**  
   **Suite 105**  
   **Cutler Bay, FL 33189**

**Telephone number:**          **(305) 234-4262**

**Email:**                              **[Deastman@cutlerbay-fl.gov](mailto:Deastman@cutlerbay-fl.gov)**

**Notices.**

Any notices required by this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been properly given if transmitted by hand-delivery, by registered or certified mail with postage prepaid return receipt requested, or by a private postal service, addressed to the parties (or their successors) at the following addresses:

For the Town:              Town of Cutler Bay  
   Town Manager  
   10720 Caribbean Blvd., Suite 105  
   Cutler Bay, Florida 33189

With a copy to:              Town Attorney, Town of Cutler Bay  
   Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.  
   2525 Ponce de Leon Blvd, Suite 700  
   Coral Gables, Florida 33134

For the Contractor:        \_\_\_\_\_  
   \_\_\_\_\_  
   \_\_\_\_\_  
   \_\_\_\_\_

12.3    **Prevailing Party; Attorneys' Fees.** In the event of any controversy, claim, dispute or litigation between the parties arising from or relating to this Contract (including, but not limited to, the enforcement of any indemnity provisions), the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover any and all reasonable costs, expenses and attorneys' fees including, but not limited to, court costs and other expenses through all appellate levels.

- 12.4 **Entire Agreement. All Prior Agreements Superseded.** This Contract incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, or understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of these Contract Documents that are not contained herein. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or agreements, whether oral or written.
- 12.5 **Amendment.** The Contract may only be amended in writing executed by both Parties.
- 12.6 **Town Authorization Resolution.** The Town Resolution authorizing the award of this Contract and the Town solicitation which Contractor submitted bid pursuant to (collectively, “**Town Authorization**”) are incorporated by reference. To the extent of any conflict between the Town Resolution and the Contract Documents when interpreting the intent of this Contract, whichever provision is strictest will control. To the extent of any conflict between the Town Authorization, the Town Resolution will control.
- 12.7 **Counterparts.** This Contract may be executed in counterparts and any counterpart evidencing signature by one party may be delivered by electronic mail. Each executed counterpart of this Contract will constitute an original document and all executed counterparts, together, will constitute the same Agreement.
- 12.8 **Severability.** If any term or provision of this Contract or the Contract Documents shall be held or deemed invalid or unenforceable by the courts or otherwise, illegal or in conflict with any law of the State, the validity of the remaining terms or provisions of this Contract or the Contract Documents shall not be affected thereby, and shall continue in full force and effect, and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 12.9 **Meanings and Definitions.** Capitalized words shall have the meaning as assigned herein or as defined
- 12.10 **WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL.** TOWN AND CONTRACTOR KNOWINGLY, IRREVOCABLY, VOLUNTARILY AND INTENTIONALLY WAIVE ANY RIGHT EITHER MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN STATE AND OR FEDERAL COURT PROCEEDINGS IN RESPECT TO ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING, LAWSUIT OR COUNTERCLAIM BASED UPON THIS CONTRACT, ARISING OUT OF, UNDER, OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE WORK, OR ANY COURSE OF CONDUCT, COURSE OF DEALING, STATEMENTS OR ACTIONS OR INACTIONS OF ANY PARTY.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this Contract on the respective dates under each signature: TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, signing by and through its Town Manager, and \_\_\_\_\_ (Contractor) signing by and through \_\_\_\_\_, duly authorized to execute same.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA,  
A Florida municipal corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Debra E. Eastman, MMC  
Town Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rafael G. Casals, ICMA-CM, CFM  
Town Manager

Date Executed: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE  
SOLE USE OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY:

Resolution No.: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN  
COLE & BIERMAN, P.L  
Town Attorney

CONTRACTOR MUST EXECUTE THIS CONTRACT AS INDICATED BELOW. USE CORPORATION FORMAT, AS APPLICABLE.

ATTEST:

CONTRACTOR:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Secretary)

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

(Corporate Seal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name/Title signed above)

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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