



May 7, 2025

Ryan Johansen
Chief of Police
Town of Apex - Police Department
205 Saunders Street
Apex, NC 27502

Dear Chief Johansen,

It is once again the time of the year when many agencies are formulating their budgets for the coming fiscal year. Toward that end, please allow this letter to serve as confirmation of our interest in extending our agreement for Crossing Guard Services through the 2025-2026 school year.

As you may know, hiring challenges have impacted all sectors of the labor market across the nation. Recently the United States Chamber of Commerce has published an article “Understanding America’s Labor Shortage”, which illustrates how thousands of jobs are published each month and yet a significant number of positions still remain unfilled. Essentially, labor force participations rates have still not returned to pre-COVID levels. This situation leads to heightened competition among businesses as they vie for the limited pool of available talent.

ACMS has experienced these same challenges and in many cases, we’ve transitioned a significant number of employees from an older, primarily stable workforce to a younger mobile workforce. This new segment of our employees are more sensitive to current cost-of-living increases and are looking for higher wages and more hours. They often accept our position and work for days, sometimes weeks and if we’re lucky months then abruptly leave when they find higher pay.

For these reasons, as well as cost increases in most segments of our business, we must appeal for an increase in our hourly rate for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year. To facilitate the calculation of the 2025-2026 annual cost of your Crossing Guard program, we have developed and included with this letter a Client Worksheet. This Worksheet details the new hourly billing rate and the overall estimated program cost, based on the number of sites and the hours worked at each site.

We remain committed to providing a safe, cost-effective and professional School Crossing Guard Program and we hope you will find this new pricing acceptable. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (800) 540-9290. Take care.

Sincerely,

Baron Farwell

Baron Farwell,
General Manager

**All City Management Services Inc.
Client Worksheet 2025 - 2026**

Town of Apex 205 Saunders Street Apex, NC 27502

Department: 2220201
Billing Rate for 2025 - 2026: \$ 34.25

KEY:

Traditional Calendar:

For sites with no regularly scheduled early release days, use 180 regular days

Sites with traditional calendar:

		5.5		180		\$34.25	=	\$33,907.50
1	Sites at 5.5 hrs per day	Total Hrs/day X		X days/yr		Hourly Billing Rate		
		18		180		\$34.25	=	\$110,970.00
6	Sites at 3.0 hrs per day	Total Hrs/day X		X days/yr		Hourly Billing Rate		

TOTAL PROJECTED HOURS 4230 TOTAL ANNUAL PROJECTED COST \$144,877.50



AGREEMENT FOR CROSSING GUARD SERVICES

This AGREEMENT FOR CROSSING GUARD SERVICES (the "Agreement") is dated May 7, 2025 and is between the TOWN OF APEX (hereinafter called the "Town"), and ALL CITY MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC., a California corporation (hereinafter called the "Contractor").

WITNESSETH

The parties hereto have mutually covenanted and agreed as follows:

1. This Agreement is for a period which commences on Contractor's best availability of staffing and ends on June 30, 2026 and for such term thereafter as the parties may agree upon by written amendment to this contract. Service shall begin on a best availability basis until such a time as Contractor has hired, trained and deployed Crossing Guards to all sites requested by the Town. Contractor shall assume liability for only those sites agreed to by both Contractor and the Town by written amendment stating effective date of assignment.
2. The Contractor will provide personnel equipped and trained in appropriate procedures for crossing pedestrians in marked crosswalks. Such personnel shall be herein referred to as a "Crossing Guard". Contractor will perform criminal background checks and confirm employment eligibility through EVerify on all prospective personnel. The Contractor is an independent contractor and the Crossing Guards to be furnished by it shall at all times be its employees and not those of the Town.
3. The Town's representative in dealing with the Contractor shall be designated by the Town of Apex.
4. The Town shall determine the locations where Crossing Guards shall be furnished by the Contractor. The Contractor shall provide at each designated location personnel properly trained as herein specified for the performance of duties as a Crossing Guard. The Contractor shall provide supervisory personnel to see that Crossing Guard activities are taking place at the required places and times, and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
5. The Contractor shall maintain adequate reserve personnel to be able to furnish alternate Crossing Guards in the event that any person fails to report for work at the assigned time and location and agrees to provide immediate replacement.
6. In the performance of its duties the Contractor and all employees of the Contractor shall conduct themselves in accordance with the conditions of this Agreement and all applicable

laws of the state in which the Services are to be performed.

7. Persons provided by the Contractor as Crossing Guards shall be trained in all applicable laws of the state in which the Services are to be performed pertaining to general pedestrian safety in school crossing areas.
8. Crossing Guard Services (the “Services”) shall be provided by the Contractor at the designated locations on all days in which school is in session in the area under Town’s jurisdiction. The Contractor also agrees to maintain communication with the designated schools to maintain proper scheduling.
9. The Contractor shall provide all Crossing Guards with apparel by which they are readily visible and easily recognized as Crossing Guards. Such apparel shall be uniform for all persons performing the duties of Crossing Guards and shall be worn at all times while performing said duties. This apparel must be appropriate for weather conditions. The Contractor shall also provide all Crossing Guards with hand-held Stop signs and any other safety equipment which may be necessary.
10. The Contractor shall at all times provide workers' compensation insurance covering its employees and shall provide and maintain liability insurance for Crossing Guard activities. The Contractor will provide to the Town a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town and its officials, officers and employees as additional insureds. Such insurance shall include commercial general liability with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence and in aggregate for property damage and bodily injury. Such insurance shall be primary with respect to any insurance maintained by the Town and shall not call on the Town’s insurance contributions. Such insurance shall be endorsed for contractual liability and personal injury and shall include the Town, its officers, agents and interest of the Town. Such insurance shall not be canceled, reduced in coverage or limits or nonrenewed except after thirty (30) days written notice has been given to the Town.
11. Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Town, its officers, employees, agents and representatives, from and against any and all actions, claims for damages to persons or property, penalties, obligations or liabilities (each a “Claim” and collectively, the “Claims”) that may be asserted or claimed by any person, firm, entity, corporation, political subdivision or other organization arising out of the sole negligent acts or omissions, or willful misconduct, of Contractor, its agents, employees, subcontractors, representatives or invitees.
 - a. Contractor will defend any action or actions filed in connection with any of said claims, damages, penalties, obligations or liabilities and will pay all costs and expenses including attorney's fees incurred in connection herewith.
 - b. In the event the Town, its officers, agents or employees is made a party to any action or proceeding filed or prosecuted against Contractor for such damages or other claims arising out of or in connection with the sole negligence of Contractor hereunder, Contractor agrees to pay Town, its officers, agents, or employees, any and all costs and expenses incurred by the Town, its officers agents or employees in such action or proceeding, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees.
 - c. In the event that a court determines that liability for any Claim was caused or contributed to by the negligent act or omission or the willful misconduct of Town,

liability will be apportioned between Contractor and Town based upon the parties' respective degrees of culpability, as determined by the court, and Contractor's duty to indemnify Town will be limited accordingly.

- d. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, Contractor's indemnification obligation to Town for Claims under this Agreement will be limited to the maximum combined aggregate of Contractor's general liability and umbrella insurance policies in the amount of \$6,000,000 (Six Million Dollars).
12. Either party shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by giving sixty (60) days written notice to the other party.
13. The Contractor shall not have the right to assign this Agreement to any other person or entity except with the prior written consent of the Town.
14. The Town agrees to pay the Contractor for the Services rendered pursuant to this Agreement the sum of Thirty-four Dollars and Twenty-five Cents (**\$34.25**) per hour, per Crossing Guard during the term. Based on a minimum of seven (7) sites and upon a projected (4,230) hours of service the cost shall not exceed One Hundred Forty-four Thousand, Eight Hundred Seventy-seven Dollars, and Fifty Cents (\$144,877.50) per year, unless Contractor fails to perform service.
15. Payment is due within thirty (30) days of receipt of Contractor's properly prepared invoice.
16. Contractor may request a price increase during the term as a result of any legally-mandated increases in wages or benefits imposed in the state or municipality in which the Services are to be performed and to which Contractor's employees would be subject. Contractor shall provide Town with 60 days notice of its request to increase pricing. Town agrees to review and respond to said notice within 30 days of receipt.
17. The Town shall have an option to renew this Agreement. In the event this Agreement is extended beyond the end of the term set forth above, the compensation and terms for the Services shall be established by mutual consent of both parties.
18. This Agreement constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement among the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior written or oral statements among the parties, including any prior statements, warranties, or representations. This Agreement is binding upon and will inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, administrators, executors, successors, and assigns. Each party hereto agrees that this Agreement will be governed by the law of the state in which the Services are to be performed, without regard to its conflicts of law provisions. Any amendments, modifications, or alterations to this Agreement must be in writing and signed by all parties. There will be no presumption against any party on the ground that such party was responsible for preparing this Agreement or any part of it. Each provision of this Agreement is severable from the other provisions. If any provision of this Agreement is declared invalid or contrary to existing law, the inoperability of that provision will have no effect on the remaining provisions of the Agreement which will continue in full force and effect.
19. The Contractor warrants and agrees that no labor supplied by the Contractor or the Contractor's subcontractors in the performance of this Agreement shall be obtained by means of deception, coercion, intimidation or force, or otherwise in violation of North

Carolina law, specifically Article 10A, Subchapter 3 of Chapter 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, Human Trafficking.

20. Pursuant to Section 3-2 of the Town of Apex Code of Ordinances, Contractor hereby warrants and agrees that Contractor will not discriminate against a protected class in employment, subcontracting practices, or the solicitation or hiring of vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers in connection with this Agreement. For the purposes of this Agreement “protected class” includes age, race, religious belief or non-belief, ethnicity, color, national origin, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, natural hair style, genetic information, pregnancy, familial status, disability, veteran or military status, or disable veteran status.
21. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the parties agree that payments due hereunder from the Town are from appropriates and monies from the Town Council and any other governmental entities. In the event sufficient appropriates or monies are not made available to the Town to pay the terms of this Agreement for any fiscal year, this Agreement shall terminate immediately without further obligation to the Town.

[SIGNATURES FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the day and year written below.

Town of Apex

X _____

Randal E. Vosburg, Town Manager
Email: randy.vosburg@apexnc.org
Timestamp: [empty signing timestamp]

All City Management Services, Inc.

X _____

Demetra Farwell
Email: demetra@thecrossingguardcompany.com
Timestamp: Thursday, August 14th, 2025 4:19 PM UTC

This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

X _____

Jessica Rhem
Email: jessica.murphy-rhem@apexnc.org
Timestamp: [empty signing timestamp]