#### **Exhibit B**

#### **Human Resources Contract Outline**

# Ramos HR Consulting | Town of Bladensburg

Contract Date: February 10, 2025 (Pending Council Approval)

# **Terms of Agreement**

- **Duration:** Two-year term with the option for a one-year renewal.
- **Scope Adjustments:** After two years, the Town reserves the right to reduce the scope of work if a full-time HR employee is hired.

#### Fees

- Monthly Fee: A fixed monthly rate of \$2,750.00, amounting to an annual total of \$33,000.00.
- **Terms for Visits:** The frequency and duration of on-site or remote visits will adhere to the terms outlined in the proposal.

# **Scope of Services**

Ramos HR Consulting will provide comprehensive Human Resources support, including:

## 1. Benefit Management:

- o Administration of employee benefits programs.
- Solicitation of vendors for benefits renewal and supplemental insurance coverages.

#### 2. Policy Development:

- Reviewing and updating HR forms.
- Developing and revising policies and procedures.
- o Offering guidance and advice on written communications for employees.

## 3. HR Consulting Services:

- Advising employees and management on HR-related matters.
- Recommending best practices in Human Resources to align with industry standards.

## 4. Payroll and Records Management:

Consulting on payroll processes and ensuring best practices for record-keeping.

## 5. Strategic Advisory Services:

 Providing advice and guidance to the Town Administrator and management team on key HR issues.

# 6. Generalist HR Support:

Delivering comprehensive HR services to support operational needs.

# **Proposed Schedule and Priorities**

Timeline: March 2025 - December 2025

#### 1. Personnel Manual and Practices Review

- o Review and update the Personnel Manual and current HR practices.
- Provide samples of policies and procedures for other similarly sized municipalities
- Recommend the development of new and needed policies
- o **Timeline:** March September 2025

# 2. Employee Record Review:

- Review and update employee record reviews.
- Provide samples of best practices for file maintenance
- Onboarding Solution: Support on identifying a POC, obtaining all necessary forms, especially documentation for the I-9, and reviewing all benefit offerings and making sure they get enrolled.
- Timeline: March October 2025

#### 3. Forms and File Format Review

- Assess and standardize existing forms and file formats for efficiency and compliance.
- o **Timeline:** May July 2025

## 4. Benefit Assistance (Ongoing):

- Renewal Process: Conduct annual benefits renewal between September and October (for December implementation).
- Administer supplemental insurance and benefits programs.
- Assist employees in scheduling online and in-person benefits sessions.
- o Provide continuous support for employee benefit inquiries.

#### 5. Operational Evaluation:

- Evaluate the Town's current HR operations and recommend best practices for improvement.
- o **Timeline:** June November 2025

## 6. Employee Performance:

- Evaluate the Town's current Employee Performance Materials and Processes and recommend best practices for improvement.
- Pay scales: Review and update pay scales so we can collapse them into something simpler to avoid salary compression. I think we talked before about having pay scales in bands (ex. on A-Z), and all categories/positions fall within those bands rather than the individualized salary scales for each position.
- o **Timeline:** August June 2026

## 7. Advisory Support:

- Ongoing advisory services for employees, management, and leadership on HR matters.
- o Online and in-person training and tracking and management
- o Advising on professional development opportunities for Town Staff
- Mental Health and Supplemental removal
- Timeline: Continuous \ Ongoing

## **Additional Considerations for the Contract**

# 1. Flexibility and Scalability:

 Include provisions for scaling services based on evolving needs, such as hiring a full-time HR employee or unexpected priorities.

## 2. Performance Metrics:

 Establish clear metrics to evaluate the success of HR initiatives, such as employee satisfaction surveys, policy compliance rates, and improved HR efficiency.

# 3. Feedback and Reporting:

 Define reporting intervals (e.g., quarterly) for updates on progress, challenges, and recommendations.

# 4. Compliance Assurance:

 Ensure all HR practices comply with local, state, and federal regulations, particularly regarding benefits, payroll, and employment policies.

## 5. Cost Transparency:

 Specify the cost structure, including additional charges for unforeseen or specialized services outside the scope.

# 6. Insurance Limits and Professional Liability

State the limits required by the Town and other requirements.