

COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP
FISCAL YEAR 2026, 2027, AND 2028

PFEFFER, HANNIFORD & PALKA, Certified Public Accountants, registered to practice in the State of Michigan (hereinafter referred to as **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**) and the **COHOCTAH TOWNSHIP**, A municipal corporation, of the State of Michigan (hereinafter referred to as **TOWNSHIP**) contract on this day of , 2025, as follows:

1. For the fiscal year ending March 31, 2026, 2027 and 2028 the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** shall conduct an audit of the financial statements of the **TOWNSHIP**. The financial statements are the responsibility of the **TOWNSHIP BOARD**. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audits. We will conduct our audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the **TOWNSHIP** as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

2. The **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS'** audit shall meet the requirements of Act No. 2, P.A. 1968, or as amended, and the related Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, dated June 1, 1968, or as amended, which is available from the State Treasurer.

3. If the **TOWNSHIP** receives federal financial assistance, grants, or other contracts and spends \$750,000 or more in federal funds in one fiscal year, the Township may be required to have a Uniform Guidance Single Audit conducted in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and (or) in accordance with Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards. Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka will request the assistance of another CPA firm to conduct the Uniform Guidance Single Audit which will be billed separately by the second CPA firm. Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka will work with the second CPA firm in conducting the Uniform Guidance Single Audit as well as assist the Township with the additional procedures which will be required under the Uniform Guidance Single Audit. Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka will still conduct a General Purpose Financial Statement Audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.

4. The reports on financial statements, as required by Act 2 of Public Acts of 1968, or as amended, shall contain an unqualified opinion by the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** or such other opinion as he must render under the circumstances when he is unable to express an unqualified opinion.

5. The audit shall begin as soon after the signing of this contract as shall be convenient to the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** and shall be completed with the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS'** reports issued not later than six months after the conclusion of the fiscal year.

6. The **TOWNSHIP** shall have closed and balanced all funds and bank accounts, agencies and operations to be examined by the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**.

7. The estimated total audit fee for the years ended March 31, 2026, 2027, and 2028 will be \$10,000, \$11,000, and \$12,000 respectively. Additional services outside the scope of the audit will be billed at \$140 per hour.

8. The **TOWNSHIP** authorizes the **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** to immediately disclose any and all findings of suspected fraud, and/or embezzlement to the Deputy State Treasurer in charge of the Local Audit Division of the State Department of Treasury.

9. The **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS** shall provide a reasonable number of reports for each of the funds to the **TOWNSHIP** officials.

10. This contract may be terminated by either party upon a ninety day (90) advance written notice.

Pfeffer, Hanniford & Palka, P.C.

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