

**CERTIFIED TIFWAY 419 BERMUDAGRASS**  
**SIS2026-3**

**THIS IS AN AGREEMENT** ("Agreement"), dated \_\_\_\_\_, by and between:

**CITY OF COOPER CITY**, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida and whose address is 9090 SW 50<sup>th</sup> Place, Cooper City, Florida 33328 (hereinafter referred to as the "City"),

and,

**Javy Ortiz Nusery, Inc. DBA Pitch & Grade**, a Florida Profit Corporation, located at 4581 Weston Road #233, Weston, FL 33331 (hereinafter referred to as the "CONTRACTOR"), who is authorized to do business in the State of Florida.

City and CONTRACTOR may each be referred to herein as "party" or collectively as "parties".

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to enter into an agreement with the CONTRACTOR for Certified Tifway 419 Bermudagrass and

**WHEREAS**, the City Code provides authority for exclusions and exceptions to bid and proposal requirements pursuant to Sec. 2-258(b) of the City's Procurement Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the CITY desires to procure Certified Tifway 419 Bermudagrass from the CONTRACTOR for the CITY, in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions, promises, covenants and payments hereinafter set forth, CITY and CONTRACTOR agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. PREAMBLE**

In order to establish the background, context and form of reference for this Agreement and to generally express the objectives, and intentions of the respective parties herein, the following statements, representations and explanations shall be accepted as predicates for the undertakings and commitments included within the provisions which follow and may be relied upon by the parties as essential elements of the mutual considerations upon which this Agreement is based.

**ARTICLE 2. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

If there is a conflict between or among the provisions of this Agreement, the order of precedence is as follows: 1) Agreement; 2) Appendix A – Scope of Services (including any Attachments thereto); 3) Appendix B – Pricing (including any Attachments thereto).

**ARTICLE 3. NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT**

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to provide subcontractors, as more particularly described in the Scope of Services outlined in Appendix A.

Unless otherwise provided for herein, CONTRACTOR shall furnish all services, labor, equipment, and materials necessary and as may be required in the performance of this Agreement, except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, and all work performed under this Agreement shall be done in a professional manner.

CONTRACTOR hereby represents to CITY, with full knowledge that CITY is relying upon these representations when entering into this Agreement with CONTRACTOR, that CONTRACTOR has the professional expertise, experience and manpower to perform the services to be provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

CONTRACTOR shall not utilize the services of any subcontractor without the prior written approval of CITY.

#### **ARTICLE 4. TERM**

The Contract shall become effective on the date identified on the first page of this Agreement and shall continue through the last day of the thirty-sixth (36) month thereafter, or March 30, 2029. The City reserves the option to renew this Contract for three (3), additional one (1) year terms.

The City may extend this Contract for up to an additional one hundred-eighty (180) calendar days beyond the Agreement period and will notify the CONTRACTOR in writing if the Agreement is extended. This Agreement may be extended beyond the initial one hundred-eighty (180) calendar day extension period by mutual agreement between the City and the CONTRACTOR, upon approval of the City Commission (the "Commission").

#### **ARTICLE 5. NOTICE**

Notice hereunder shall be provided in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, or customarily used overnight transmission with proof of delivery, to the following parties, with mandatory copies, as provided below:

CITY:

- a) to the Project Manager  
Irwin Williams, Finance Director  
City of Cooper City, Finance  
9090 S.W. 50th Place  
Cooper City, Florida, 33328-4227  
Telephone No. (954) 434-4300 X 292  
[IWilliams@CooperCity.gov](mailto:IWilliams@CooperCity.gov)

and,

- b) to the Contract Manager  
Tyrone White, Procurement Manager

City of Cooper City, Procurement  
9090 S.W. 50th Place  
Cooper City, Florida 33328-4227  
Telephone No. (954) 434-4300 X 268  
[Purchasing@CooperCity.gov](mailto:Purchasing@CooperCity.gov)

Copy To: Jacob G. Horowitz, City Attorney  
Goren, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol, P.A.  
3099 East Commercial Boulevard, Suite 200  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308  
Telephone No. (954) 771-4500  
[JHorowitz@gorencherof.com](mailto:JHorowitz@gorencherof.com)

For CONTRACTOR: Javy Ortiz Nursey, Inc. DBA Pitch & Grade  
Shawn Kietzman  
4581 Weston Road #233  
Weston, FL 33331  
(314) 432-4700  
[shawn.kietzman@coreandmain.com](mailto:shawn.kietzman@coreandmain.com)

#### **ARTICLE 6. PAYMENT FOR GOODS/SERVICES AND AMOUNT OBLIGATED**

The CONTRACTOR warrants that it has reviewed the City's requirements and has asked such questions and conducted such other inquiries as the CONTRACTOR deemed necessary to determine the price the CONTRACTOR will charge to provide the Goods/Services to be performed under this Contract. The compensation for all Goods/Services performed under this Contract, including all costs associated with such Work, shall be paid in accordance with Appendix B. The City shall have no obligation to pay the CONTRACTOR any additional sum in excess of this amount, except for a change and/or modification to the Contract, which is approved and executed in writing by the City and the CONTRACTOR.

All Work undertaken by the CONTRACTOR before City's approval of this Contract or after the expiration of this contract shall be at the CONTRACTOR'S risk and expense.

With respect to travel costs and travel-related expenses, the CONTRACTOR agrees to adhere to Section 112.061 of the Florida Statutes as they pertain to out-of-pocket expenses, including employee lodging, transportation, per diem, and all miscellaneous costs and fees. The City shall not be liable for any such expenses that have not been approved in advance, in writing, by the City.

#### **ARTICLE 7. COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT**

The CONTRACTOR may bill the City periodically, but not more than once per month, upon invoices certified by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to Appendix B. All invoices shall be taken from the books of account kept by the CONTRACTOR, shall be supported by copies of payroll distribution, receipt bills or other documents reasonably required by the City, shall show the City's contract number, and shall have a unique invoice number assigned by the CONTRACTOR. In accordance with Section 218.74 of the Florida

Statutes, the time at which payment shall be due from the City shall be forty-five (45) calendar days from receipt of a proper invoice.

Invoices and associated back-up documentation shall be submitted electronically or in hard copy format by the CONTRACTOR to the City to: [AccountsPayable@coopercity.gov](mailto:AccountsPayable@coopercity.gov). The City may at any time designate a different email address, address or contact person by giving written notice to the CONTRACTOR.

#### **ARTICLE 8. CHANGES TO SCOPE OF WORK/ADDITION OR DELETION OF WORK**

The CITY may add, delete, increase, decrease, or otherwise modify the Scope of Work, described in **Appendix "A"** of this Agreement. These changes may affect the monthly compensation accordingly. Such additions, deletions, increases, decreases, changes or additional services must be in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the CITY and must be approved via a contract amendment, executed by the parties hereto, with the same formality, equality and dignity herewith prior to any deviation from the terms of this Agreement, including the initiation of any additional or extra work.

In no event will the CONTRACTOR be compensated for any work which has not been described in a separate written agreement executed by the parties hereto.

#### **ARTICLE 9. INDEMNIFICATION**

CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and save harmless and defend the CITY, its trustees, elected and appointed officials, agents, servants and employees from and against any and all claims, demands, or causes of action of whatsoever kind or nature sustained by the CITY or any third party arising out of, or by reason of, or resulting from acts, error, omission, or negligent act of CONTRACTOR, its agents, servants or employees in the performance under this Agreement, for all costs, losses and expenses, including but not limited to, damages to persons or third party property, judgments and attorneys' fees arising out of or in connection with the performance by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement.

CONTRACTOR shall indemnify CITY for all loss, damage, expense or liability including, without limitation, court costs and attorneys' fees that may result by reason of any infringement or claim of infringement of any patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret or other proprietary right due to services furnished pursuant to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR will defend and/or settle at its own expense any action brought against the CITY to the extent that it is based on a claim that products or services furnished to CITY by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement, or if any portion of the services or goods furnished in the performance of the service becomes unusable as a result of any such infringement or claim.

CONTRACTOR'S aggregate liability shall not exceed the proceeds of insurance required to be placed pursuant to this Agreement plus the compensation received by CONTRACTOR, or extend to any claims brought subsequent to the expiration of warranty period outlined above. The CITY's rights and remedies and CONTRACTOR's liabilities as set forth in this Agreement, are exclusive, and the CITY hereby releases CONTRACTOR from all further or subsequent liability, whether based in contract or tort and irrespective of fault, negligence, or strict liability.

The parties recognize that various provisions of this Agreement, including but not necessarily limited to this Section, provide for indemnification by the CONTRACTOR and that Florida Statutes §725.06 requires a specific consideration be given therefor. The parties therefore agree that the sum of **Ten Dollars and 00/100 (\$10.00)**, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, is the specific consideration for such indemnities, and the providing of such indemnities is deemed to be part of the specifications with respect to the services to be provided by CONTRACTOR. Furthermore, the parties understand and agree that the covenants and representations relating to this indemnification provision shall serve the term of this Agreement and continue in full force and effect as to the party's responsibility to indemnify.

#### **ARTICLE 10. INSURANCE**

Where the CONTRACTOR is required to enter or go onto the City of Cooper City property (including any property which is owned or leased by the City or upon which the City has a license, easement or right-of-way) to deliver materials or perform work or services as a result of an award, the successful CONTRACTOR shall assume the full duty, obligation and expense of obtaining all necessary licenses, permits and insurance and assure all work complies with all applicable Broward County and City of Cooper City building requirements and the Florida Building Code. The CONTRACTOR shall be liable for any damages or loss to the City occasioned by negligence of the CONTRACTOR or any person the CONTRACTOR has designated in the completion of this contract.

The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify and hold harmless the CITY and its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities from any and all liability, losses or damages, including attorneys' fees and costs of defense, which the CITY or its officers, employees, agents or instrumentalities may incur as a result of claims, demands, suits, causes of actions or proceedings of any kind or nature arising out of, relating to or resulting from the performance of this Agreement by the CONTRACTOR or its employees, agents, servants, partners principals or subcontractor. The CONTRACTOR shall pay all claims and losses in connection therewith and shall investigate and defend all claims, suits or actions of any kind or nature in the name of the CITY, where applicable, including appellate proceedings, and shall pay all costs, judgments, and attorney's fees which may issue thereon. The CONTRACTOR expressly understands and agrees that any insurance protection required by this Agreement or otherwise provided by the CONTRACTOR shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the CITY or its officers, employees, agents and instrumentalities as herein provided.

CONTRACTOR shall not commence work under this Agreement until it has obtained all insurance required under this paragraph and such insurance has been approved by the Risk Manager of the CITY nor shall the CONTRACTOR allow any subcontractor to commence work on his subcontractor until all similar such insurance required of the subcontractor has been obtained and similarly approved.

Certificates of Insurance, reflecting evidence of the required insurance, shall be filed with the City's Risk Manager prior to the commencement of this Agreement. Policies shall be issued by companies authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida. The insurance company shall be rated no less than "A"

as to management, and no less than "Class VI" as to financial strength according to the latest edition of Best's Insurance Guide published by A.M. Best Company.

Policies shall be endorsed to provide the CITY with notice of cancellation or the CONTRACTOR shall obtain written agreement from its Agent to provide the CITY with 30-day notice of cancellation.

Insurance shall be in force until all obligations required to be fulfilled under the terms of the Agreement are satisfactorily completed as evidenced by the formal acceptance by the CITY. In the event the insurance certificate provided indicates that the insurance shall terminate and lapse during the period of this Agreement, then in that event, the CONTRACTOR shall furnish, as soon as reasonably practicable, a renewed certificate of insurance as proof that equal and like coverage for the balance of the period of the Agreement and extension thereunder is in effect. The CONTRACTOR shall not commence nor continue to provide any services pursuant to this Agreement unless all required insurance remains in full force and effect. CONTRACTOR shall be liable to CITY for any lapses in service resulting from a gap in insurance coverage.

**Prior to the commencement of the project, CONTRACTOR shall provide the City with a certificate of liability insurance and a copy of the additional insured endorsement naming the City of Cooper City its employees, directors, officers, agents, independent CONTRACTORs, successors and assigns, and other authorized representatives as additional insured on a primary and non-contributory basis to the extent of the contractual obligation assumed by the CONTRACTOR. Additionally, the CONTRACTOR shall provide the City with a copy of the certificates of insurance and a copy of the additional insured endorsement reflecting the same insurance coverage for all subcontractors utilized by CONTRACTOR.**

**The City shall be granted a Waiver of Subrogation on the CONTRACTOR's Workers' Compensation and General Liability insurance policy and affirmed on the Certificate of Liability Insurance and a Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement. The CONTRACTOR waives, and the CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the CONTRACTOR's insurance carrier waives, all subrogation rights against the City, its officials, employees, agents and volunteers for all losses or damages.**

#### 10.1.1 REQUIRED INSURANCE

10.1.1.1 Comprehensive General Liability Insurance written on an occurrence basis including, but not limited to: coverage for bodily injury and property damage, personal & advertising

injury, products & completed operations, and contractual liability. Coverage must be written on an occurrence basis, with limits of liability no less than:

1. Each Occurrence Limit - \$1,000,000
2. Fire Damage Limit (Damage to rented premises) - \$100,000
3. Personal & Advertising Injury Limit - \$1,000,000
4. General Aggregate Limit - \$2,000,000
5. Products & Completed Operations Aggregate Limit - \$3,000,000

Products & Completed Operations Coverage shall be maintained for two (2) years after the final payment under this contract.

**The City of Cooper City must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.**

10.1.1.2 Worker's Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance covering all employees, and/or volunteers of the CONTRACTOR engaged in the performance of the scope of work associated with this Agreement. In the case any work is sublet, the CONTRACTOR shall require the subcontractor similarly to provide Workers Compensation Insurance for all the latter's employees unless such employees are covered by the protection afforded by the CONTRACTOR. Coverage for the CONTRACTOR and his subcontractor shall be in accordance with applicable state and/or federal laws that may apply to Workers' Compensation Insurance with limits of liability no less than:

1. Workers' Compensation: Coverage A Statutory
2. Employers Liability: Coverage B \$500,000 Each Accident  
\$500,000 Disease – Policy Limit  
\$500,000 Disease – Each Employee

10.1.1.3 Comprehensive Auto Liability Insurance covering all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles used in connection with the performance of work under this Agreement, with a combined single limit of liability for bodily injury and property damage no less than:

1. Any Auto (Symbol 1)  
Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) - \$1,000,000
2. Hired Autos (Symbol 8)  
Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) - \$1,000,000
3. Non-Owned Autos (Symbol 9)  
Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) - \$1,000,000

10.1.1.4 Professional Liability/Errors & Omissions Insurance, when applicable, with a limit of liability no less than \$1,000,000 per wrongful act. This coverage shall be maintained for a period of no less than two (2) years after final payment of the contract.

10.1.1.5 Sexual Abuse may not be excluded from any policy

#### 10.1.2 REQUIRED INSURANCE ENDORSEMENTS

1. The City of Cooper City shall be named as an Additional Insured on each of the General Liability policies required herein
2. Waiver of all Rights of Subrogation against the CITY
3. 30-Day Notice of Cancellation or Non-Renewal to the CITY
4. CONTRACTORS' policies shall be Primary & Non-Contributory
5. All policies shall contain a "severability of interest" or "cross liability" liability clause without obligation for premium payment of the CITY
6. The City of Cooper City shall be named as a Loss Payee on all Property and/or Inland Marine Policies as their interest may appear.

CONTRACTOR shall name the CITY, as an additional insured on each of the General Liability policies required herein and shall hold the CITY, its agents, officers and employees harmless on account of claims for damages to persons, property or premises arising out of the services provided hereunder. Any insurance required of the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement must also be required by any subcontractor in the same limits and with all requirements as provided herein, including naming the CITY as an additional insured, in any work is subcontracted unless such subcontractor is covered by the protection afforded by the CONTRACTOR and provided proof of such coverage is provided to CITY. The CONTRACTOR and any subcontractors shall maintain such policies during the term of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR shall agree to waive all rights of subrogation against the City, members of the City Commission, boards, commissions and committees, officers, agents, employees and volunteers for losses arising from activities and operations of CONTRACTOR in the performance of its obligations under this agreement.

The CITY reserves the right to require any other additional types of insurance coverage and/or higher limits of liability it deems necessary based on the nature of work being performed under this Contract.

#### **ARTICLE 11. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

This Agreement does not create an employee/employer relationship between the parties. It is the intent of the parties that the CONTRACTOR is an independent CONTRACTOR under this Agreement and not the CITY's employee for all purposes, including but not limited to, the application of the Fair Labor Standards Act minimum wage and overtime payments, Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the State Workers' Compensation Act, and the State unemployment insurance law. The CONTRACTOR shall retain sole and absolute discretion in the judgment of the manner and means of carrying out CONTRACTOR's activities and responsibilities hereunder provided, further that administrative procedures applicable to services rendered under this Agreement shall be those of CONTRACTOR, which policies of CONTRACTOR shall not conflict with CITY, State, H.U.D., or United States policies, rules or regulations relating to the use of CONTRACTOR's Funds provided for herein. The CONTRACTOR agrees that it is a separate and independent enterprise from the CITY, that it has full opportunity to find other business, that it has made its own investment in its business, and that it will utilize a high level of skill necessary to perform the work. This Agreement shall not be construed as creating any joint employment relationship between the CONTRACTOR

and the CITY and the CITY will not be liable for any obligation incurred by CONTRACTOR, including but not limited to unpaid minimum wages and/or overtime premiums.

#### **ARTICLE 12. PUBLIC RECORDS**

A. Public Records: CONTRACTOR shall comply with The Florida Public Records Act as follows:

1. Keep and maintain public records in the CONTRACTOR's possession or control in connection with the CONTRACTOR's performance under this Agreement that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the City in order to perform the service.
2. Upon request by City's records custodian, provide City with a copy of 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 in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.
3. 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 this Agreement.
4. Upon completion of this Agreement or in the event of termination of this Agreement by either party, any and all public records relating to this Agreement in the possession of CONTRACTOR shall be delivered by CONTRACTOR to City, at no cost to City, within seven days. All records stored electronically by CONTRACTOR shall be delivered to CITY in a format that is compatible with City's information technology systems. Once the public records have been delivered to City upon completion or termination of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall destroy any and all duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public record disclosure requirements.
5. CONTRACTOR's failure or refusal to comply with the provisions of this Section shall result in the immediate termination of this Agreement by the City.

**IF CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT (954) 434-4300, [PRR@COOPERCITY.GOV](mailto:PRR@COOPERCITY.GOV), OR BY MAIL: CITY OF COOPER CITY – CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 9090 SW 50<sup>TH</sup> PLACE, COOPER CITY, FL 33328.**

#### **ARTICLE 13. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES**

- A. 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 City 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.

- B. 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 City 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.
- C. The CONTRACTOR agrees to observe the above requirements for applicable subcontracts entered into for the performance of work under this Agreement.
- D. 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 14. ASSIGNMENT**

This Agreement, and any interests herein, shall not be assigned, transferred or otherwise encumbered, under any circumstances, by CONTRACTOR without the prior written consent of CITY, except in connection with a merger, acquisition, or sale of all or substantially all of a CONTRACTOR's assets or voting securities. In the event that CONTRACTOR does undergo a merger, acquisition, or sale of all or substantially all of its assets or voting securities, CONTRACTOR agrees to ensure that any successor entity assumes the obligations of this Agreement. However, this Agreement shall run to the benefit of CITY and its successors and assigns.

It is further agreed that no modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document executed with the same formality and of equal dignity herewith.

#### **ARTICLE 15. SEVERABILITY**

This Agreement sets forth the entire agreement between CONTRACTOR and City with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement supersedes all prior and contemporaneous negotiations, understandings and agreements, written or oral, between the parties. This Agreement may not be modified except by the parties' mutual agreement set forth in writing and signed by the parties.

#### **ARTICLE 16. GOVERNING LAW/VENUE**

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any dispute under this Agreement shall be an appropriate court of competent jurisdiction in Broward County, Florida.

## **ARTICLE 17. E-VERIFY**

Pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, effective January 1, 2021, CONTRACTOR's, shall register with and use the E-verify system in order to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. CONTRACTOR shall register for and utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System to verify the employment eligibility of:

- A. All persons employed by a CONTRACTOR to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the contract; and
- B. All persons (including subvendors/subconsultants/subcontractors) assigned by CONTRACTOR to perform work pursuant to the contract with the City of Cooper City. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges and agrees that registration and use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System during the term of the contract is a condition of the contract with the City of Cooper City; and
- C. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with the provisions of Section 448.095, Fla. Stat., "Employment Eligibility," as amended from time to time. This includes, but is not limited to registration and utilization of the E-Verify System to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. CONTRACTOR shall also require all subcontractors to provide an affidavit attesting that the subcontractors does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an unauthorized alien. The CONTRACTOR shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract. Failure to comply will lead to termination of this Contract, or if a subcontractors knowingly violates the statute, the subcontract must be terminated immediately. Any challenge to termination under this provision must be filed in the Circuit Court no later than twenty (20) calendar days after the date of termination. Termination of this Contract under this Section is not a breach of contract and may not be considered as such. If this contract is terminated for a violation of the statute by the CONTRACTOR, the CONTRACTOR may not be awarded a public contract for a period of one (1) year after the date of termination.

## **ARTICLE 18. CONTRIBUTIONS PROHIBITED**

Pursuant to Section 2-26 of Cooper City Code, no lobbyist, or vendor shall give a campaign contribution, directly or indirectly, to a candidate for the office of Mayor or Commissioner. No candidate for Mayor or Commissioner, or member of the City Commission shall, directly or indirectly, solicit, accept or deposit into such candidate's campaign account any campaign contribution from a lobbyist, or vendor.

## **ARTICLE 19. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE**

The City, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to terminate this Contract for convenience (without cause) upon providing a thirty (30) day written notice to the CONTRACTOR. Termination for convenience is effective on the termination date stated in the written notice provided by the City. Upon receipt of such notice, the CONTRACTOR shall not incur any additional costs under the Contract. The City shall only be

liable for reasonable costs incurred by the CONTRACTOR prior to notice of termination. The City shall be the sole judge of "reasonable costs."

#### **ARTICLE 20. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE**

The City reserves the right to terminate this Contract, in part or in whole, or place the CONTRACTOR on probation, or to avail itself of all other remedies available at law and equity, inclusive injunctive relief and specific performance, in the event the CONTRACTOR fails to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions stated herein. Following breach of the Contract by the CONTRACTOR, the City shall provide written notice specifying the breach to the CONTRACTOR and advising the CONTRACTOR that the breach must be cured immediately, or this Contract may be terminated by the City. The City further reserves the right to suspend or debar the CONTRACTOR in accordance with the Sec. 2-266 of Cooper City Procurement Code, resolutions and/or other governing legislation. The CONTRACTOR will be notified by letter of the City's intent to terminate if, following the initial notice of breach, the CONTRACTOR fails to timely or adequately, and to the satisfaction of the City, cure said breach. In the event of termination for default, the City may procure the required goods and/or services from any source and use any method deemed in its best interest. All re-procurement costs shall be borne by the terminated CONTRACTOR. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for all other direct damages incurred by the City arising out of the breach.

#### **ARTICLE 21. AUDITS – ACCESS TO RECORDS**

The City, through its duly authorized representatives and governmental agencies, shall have access to and the right to examine and reproduce any of the Awarded Bidder's books, documents, papers and records and of its subcontractors and Suppliers which apply to all matters of the City for a minimum of three years after the expiration of this Contract and any extension thereof. Such records shall subsequently conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles requirements, as applicable, and shall only address those transactions related to this Contract.

CONTRACTOR will grant access to the Commission Auditor to all financial and performance-related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with government funds. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain an accounting system that provides accountancy records that are supported with adequate documentation and procedures for determining the allowability and allocability of costs.

#### **ARTICLE 22. NO CONTINGENT FEES**

CONTRACTOR warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONTRACTOR to solicit or secure this Agreement, and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for CONTRACTOR any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For the breach or violation of this provision, CITY shall have the right to terminate the Agreement without liability at its discretion, to deduct from the contract price, or otherwise recover the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift or consideration.

### **ARTICLE 23. BINDING AUTHORITY**

Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 24. HEADINGS**

Headings herein are for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered on any interpretation of this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 25. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this Agreement or application thereof to any person or situation shall to any extent, be held invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement, and the application of such provisions to persons or situations other than those as to which it shall have been held invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby, and shall continue in full force and effect, and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

### **ARTICLE 26. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT**

This Agreement represents the entire and integrated agreement between the CITY and the CONTRACTOR and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements, either written or oral. CONTRACTOR will grant access to the Commission Auditor to all financial and performance-related records, property, and equipment purchased in whole or in part with government funds. CONTRACTOR agrees to maintain an accounting system that provides accountancy records that are supported with adequate documentation and procedures for determining the allowability and allocability of costs.

### **ARTICLE 27. APPENDICES**

Each Appendix referred to in this Agreement forms an essential part of this Agreement. The appendices if not physically attached should be treated as part of this and are incorporated herein by reference.

### **ARTICLE 28. LEGAL REPRESENTATION**

This Agreement may be executed in multiple originals or counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Parties shall be legally binding, valid and effective upon delivery of the executed documents to the other party through facsimile transmission, email, or other electronic delivery.

### **ARTICLE 29. COUNTERPARTS AND EXECUTION**

This Agreement may be executed in multiple originals or counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original and together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Parties shall be legally binding, valid and effective upon delivery of the executed documents to the other party through facsimile transmission, email, or other electronic delivery.

### **ARTICLE 30. REMEDIES IN THE EVENT OF DEFAULT**

If an Event of Default occurs, whether or not the City elects to terminate this Agreement as a result thereof, the Contractor shall be liable for all damages resulting from the default, irrespective of whether the City elects to terminate the Agreement, including but not limited to:

- a) lost revenues;
- b) the difference between the cost associated with procuring Services hereunder and the amount actually expended by the City for re-procurement of Services, including procurement and administrative costs; and
- c) such other direct damages.

The Contractor shall also remain liable for any liabilities and claims related to the Contractor's default. The City may also bring any suit or proceeding for specific performance or for an injunction.

### **ARTICLE 31. PATENT AND COPYRIGHT INDEMNIFICATION**

- a) The Contractor shall not infringe on any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third-party proprietary rights in the performance of the Work.
- b) The Contractor warrants that all Deliverables furnished hereunder, including but not limited to equipment, programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, do not infringe upon or violate any copyrights, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, patent rights, other intellectual property rights or any other third party proprietary rights.
- c) The Contractor shall be liable and responsible for any and all claims made against the City for infringement of patents, copyrights, service marks, trade secrets or any other third party proprietary rights, by the use or supplying of any programs, documentation, software, analyses, applications, methods, ways, processes, and the like, in the course of performance or completion of, or in any way connected with, the Work, or the City's continued use of the Deliverables furnished hereunder. Accordingly, the Contractor at its own expense, including the payment of attorney's fees, shall indemnify, and hold harmless the City and defend any action brought against the City with respect to any claim, demand, cause of action, debt, or liability.
- d) In the event any Deliverable or anything provided to the City hereunder, or portion thereof is held to constitute an infringement and its use is or may be enjoined, the Contractor shall have the obligation to, at the City's option to (i) modify, or require that the applicable Subcontractor or supplier modify, the alleged infringing item(s) at its own expense, without impairing in any respect the functionality or performance of the item(s), or (ii) procure for the City, at the Contractor's expense, the rights provided under this Agreement to use the item(s).
- e) The Contractor shall be solely responsible for determining and informing the City whether a prospective supplier or Subcontractor is a party to any litigation involving patent or copyright

infringement, service mark, trademark, violation, or proprietary rights claims or is subject to any injunction which may prohibit it from providing any Deliverable hereunder. The Contractor shall enter into agreements with all suppliers and Subcontractors at the Contractor's own risk. The City may reject any Deliverable that it believes to be the subject of any such litigation or injunction, or if, in the City's judgment, use thereof would delay the Work or be unlawful.

### **ARTICLE 32. CONFIDENTIALITY**

- a) All Developed Works and other materials, data, transactions of all forms, financial information, documentation, inventions, designs and methods obtained from the City in connection with the Services performed under this Agreement, made or developed by the Contractor or its Subcontractors in the course of the performance of such Services, or the results of such Services, or for which the City holds the proprietary rights, constitute Confidential Information and may not, without the prior written consent of the City, be used by the Contractor or its employees, agents, Subcontractors or suppliers for any purpose other than for the benefit of the City, unless required by law. In addition to the foregoing, all City employee information and City financial information shall be considered Confidential Information and shall be subject to all the requirements stated herein. Neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, Subcontractors, or suppliers may sell, transfer, publish, disclose, display, license or otherwise make available to others any part of such Confidential Information without the prior written consent of the City. Additionally, the Contractor expressly agrees to be bound by and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City, and their officers and employees from the breach of any federal, state, or local law in regard to the privacy of individuals.
- b) The Contractor shall advise each of its employees, agents, Subcontractors, and suppliers who may be exposed to such Confidential Information of their obligation to keep such information confidential and shall promptly advise the City in writing if it learns of any unauthorized use or disclosure of the Confidential Information by any of its employees or agents, or Subcontractor's or supplier's employees, present or former. In addition, the Contractor agrees to cooperate fully and provide any assistance necessary to ensure the confidentiality of the Confidential Information.
- c) In the event of a breach of this Article damages may not be an adequate remedy and the City shall be entitled to injunctive relief to restrain any such breach or threatened breach. Unless otherwise requested by the City, upon the completion of the Services performed hereunder, the Contractor shall immediately turn over to the City all such Confidential Information existing in tangible form, and no copies thereof shall be retained by the Contractor or its employees, agents, Subcontractors, or suppliers without the prior written consent of the City. A certificate evidencing compliance with this provision and signed by an officer of the Contractor shall accompany such materials.

### **ARTICLE 33. PROPRIETARY INFORMATION**

As a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, City of Cooper City is subject to the stipulations of the public records laws of the State of Florida (the "Public Records Law").

The Contractor acknowledges that all computer software in the City's possession may constitute or contain information or materials which the City has agreed to protect as proprietary information from disclosure or unauthorized use and may also constitute or contain information or materials which the City has developed at its own expense, the disclosure of which could harm the City's proprietary interest therein.

During the term of the Contract, the Contractor will not use directly or indirectly for itself or for others, or publish or disclose to any third party, or remove from the City's property, any computer programs, data compilations, or other software which the City has developed, has used, or is using, is holding for use, or which are otherwise in the possession of the City (the "Computer Software"). All third-party license agreements must also be honored by the Contractor and its employees, except as authorized by the City and, if the Computer Software has been leased or purchased by the City, all hired party license agreements must also be honored by the contractors' employees with the approval of the lessor or Contractors thereof. This includes mainframe, minis, telecommunications, personal computers, and all information technology software.

The Contractor will report to the City any information discovered or which is disclosed to the Contractor which may relate to the improper use, publication, disclosure, or removal from the City's property of any information technology software and hardware and will take such steps as are within the Contractor's authority to prevent improper use, disclosure, or removal.

#### **ARTICLE 34. PROPRIETARY RIGHTS**

- a) The Contractor hereby acknowledges and agrees that the City retains all rights, title and interests in and to all materials, data, documentation and copies thereof furnished by the City to the Contractor hereunder or furnished by the Contractor to the City or created by the Contractor for delivery to the City, even if unfinished or in process, as a result of the goods or services the Contractor performs in connection with this Agreement, including all copyright and other proprietary rights therein, which the Contractor as well as its employees, agents, Subcontractors and suppliers may use only in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement. The Contractor shall not, without the prior written consent of the City, use such documentation on any other project in which the Contractor or its employees, agents, Subcontractors, or suppliers are or may become engaged. Submission or distribution by the Contractor to meet official regulatory requirements or for other purposes in connection with the goods or services under this Agreement shall not be construed as publication in derogation of the City's copyrights or other proprietary rights.
- b) All Developed Works shall become the property of the City.
- c) Accordingly, neither the Contractor nor its employees, agents, Subcontractors, or suppliers shall have any proprietary interest in such Developed Works. The Developed Works may not be utilized, reproduced, or distributed by or on behalf of the Contractor, or any employee, agent,

Subcontractor or supplier thereof, without the prior written consent of the City, except as required for the Contractor's performance hereunder.

- d) Except as otherwise provided in subsections a, b, and c above, or elsewhere herein, the Contractor and its Subcontractors and suppliers hereunder shall retain all proprietary rights in and to all Licensed Software provided hereunder, that have not been customized to satisfy the performance criteria set forth in the Scope of Services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor hereby grants, and shall require that its Subcontractors and suppliers grant, if the City so desires, a perpetual, irrevocable and unrestricted right and license to use, duplicate, disclose or permit any other person(s) or entity(ies) to use all such Licensed Software and the associated specifications, technical data and other Documentation for the operations of the City or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the City, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the City. Such license specifically includes, but is not limited to, the right of the City to use or disclose, in whole or in part, the technical documentation and Licensed Software, including source code provided hereunder, to any person or entity outside the City for such person's or entity's use in furnishing any or all of the Deliverables provided hereunder exclusively for the City or entities controlling, controlled by, under common control with, or affiliated with the City, or organizations which may hereafter be formed by or become affiliated with the City. No such License Software, specifications, data, documentation, or related information shall be deemed to have been given in confidence and any statement or legend to the contrary shall be void and of no effect.

#### **ARTICLE 35. COUNTERPARTS AND EXECUTION**

As applicable, Contractor shall comply, subject to applicable professional standards, with the provisions of all applicable federal, state and City orders, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations which may pertain to the Services required under this Agreement.

The Contractor shall hold all licenses or certifications, obtain and pay for all permits or inspections, and comply with all laws, ordinances, regulations and building code requirements applicable to the work required herein. Damages, penalties, or fines imposed on the City or Contractor for failure to obtain and maintain required licenses, certifications, permits or inspections shall be borne by the Contractor. The Project Manager shall verify the certification(s), license(s), and permit(s) for the Contractor prior to authorizing Work and as needed.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall not be required pursuant to this Agreement to take any action or abstain from taking any action if such action or abstention would, in the good faith determination of the Contractor, constitute a violation of any law or regulation to which Contractor is subject, including but not limited to laws and regulations requiring that Contractor conduct its operations in a safe and sound manner.

### **ARTICLE 36. NONDISCRIMINATION**

During the performance of this Contract, Contractor agrees to not discriminate unlawfully against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression, status as victim of domestic violence, dating violence or stalking, or veteran status, and on housing related contracts the source of income, and will take affirmative action to ensure that employees and applicants are afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Such action shall be taken with reference to, but not limited to recruitment, employment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or retraining, including apprenticeship and on the job training.

By entering into this Contract, the Contractor attests that it is not in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (and related Acts). If the Contractor or any owner, subsidiary or other firm affiliated with or related to the Contractor is found by the responsible enforcement agency or the City to be in violation of the Act, such violation shall render this Contract void. This Contract shall be void if the Contractor submits a false affidavit pursuant to this Resolution or the Resolution during the term of this Contract, even if the Contractor was not in violation at the time it submitted its affidavit.

### **ARTICLE 37. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Contractor represents that:

- a) No officer, director, employee, agent, or other contractor of the City or a member of the immediate family or household of the aforesaid has directly or indirectly received or been promised any form of benefit, payment, or compensation, whether tangible or intangible, in connection with the award of this Agreement.
- b) There are no undisclosed persons or entities interested with the CONTRACTOR in this Agreement. This Agreement is entered into by the Contractor without any connection with any other entity or person making a proposal for the same purpose, and without collusion, fraud or conflict of interest. No elected or appointed officer or official, director, employee, agent, or other contractor of the City, or of the State of Florida (including elected and appointed members of the legislative and executive branches of government), or a member of the immediate family or household of any of the aforesaid:
  - i. is interested on behalf of or through the Contractor directly or indirectly in any manner whatsoever in the execution or the performance of this Agreement, or in the Services, Deliverables or Work, to which this Agreement relates or in any portion of the revenues; or
  - ii. is an employee, agent, advisor, or contractor to the CONTRACTOR or to the best of the CONTRACTOR's knowledge any Subcontractor or supplier to the CONTRACTOR.

- c) Neither the Contractor nor any officer, director, employee, agency, parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of the Contractor shall have an interest which is in conflict with the Contractor's faithful performance of its obligation under this Agreement; provided that the City, in its sole discretion, may consent in writing to such a relationship, provided the Contractor provides the City with a written notice, in advance, which identifies all the individuals and entities involved and sets forth in detail the nature of the relationship and why it is in the City's best interest to consent to such relationship.
- d) The provisions of this Article are supplemental to, not in lieu of, all applicable laws with respect to conflict of interest. In the event there is a difference between the standards applicable under this Agreement and those provided by statute, the stricter standard shall apply.
- e) In the event Contractor has no prior knowledge of a conflict of interest as set forth above and acquires information which may indicate that there may be an actual or apparent violation of any of the above, Contractor shall promptly bring such information to the attention of the Project Manager. Contractor shall thereafter cooperate with the City's review and investigation of such information and comply with the instructions Contractor receives from the Project Manager regarding remedying the situation.

**ARTICLE 38. PRESS RELEASE OR OTHER PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

Under no circumstances shall the Contractor without the express written consent of the City:

- a) Issue or permit to be issued any press release, advertisement or literature of any kind which refers to the City, or the Work being performed hereunder, unless the Contractor first obtains the written approval of the City. Such approval may be withheld if for any reason the City believes that the publication of such information would be harmful to the public interest or is in any way undesirable; and
- b) Communicate in any way with any contractor, department, board, agency, commission or other organization or any person whether governmental or private in connection with the Work to be performed hereunder except upon prior written approval and instruction of the City; and
- c) Except as may be required by law, the Contractor and its employees, agents, Subcontractors, and suppliers will not represent, directly or indirectly, that any Work, Deliverables or Services provided by the Contractor or such parties has been approved or endorsed by the City.

**ARTICLE 39. BANKRUPTCY**

The City may terminate this Contract, if, during the term of any contract the Contractor has with the City, the Contractor becomes involved as a debtor in a bankruptcy proceeding, or becomes involved in a

reorganization, dissolution, or liquidation proceeding, or if a trustee or receiver is appointed over all or a substantial portion of the property of the Contractor under federal bankruptcy law or any state insolvency law.

**ARTICLE 40. SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES -- 287.135 AND 215.473**

Contractor certifies that it and any of its affiliates are not scrutinized companies as identified in Section 287.135, F.S. In addition, Contractor agrees to observe the requirements of Section 287.135, F.S., for applicable sub-agreements entered into for the performance of work under this Agreement. Pursuant to Section 287.135, F.S., the City may immediately terminate this Agreement for cause 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 any applicable scrutinized companies list or engaged in prohibited contracting activity during the term of the Agreement. As provided in Subsection 287.135(8), F.S., if federal law ceases to authorize these contracting prohibitions then they shall become inoperative.

**ARTICLE 41. KIDNAPPING, CUSTODY OFFENSES, HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND RELATED OFFENSES**  
**AFFIDAVIT**

By entering into, amending, or renewing this Contract, including, without limitation, a grant agreement or economic incentive program payment agreement (all referred to as the "Contract"), as applicable, the Contractor is obligated to comply with the provisions of Section 787.06, Florida Statutes ("F.S."), "Human Trafficking," as amended, which is deemed as being incorporated by reference in this Contract. All definitions and requirements from Section 787.06, F.S., apply to this Contract.

This compliance includes the Contractor providing an affidavit that it does not use coercion for labor or services. This attestation by the Contractor shall be in the form attached to this Contract as the Kidnapping, Custody Offenses, Human Trafficking and Related Offenses Affidavit (the "Affidavit") and must be executed by the Contractor and provided to the City when entering, amending, or renewing this Contract.

This Contract shall be void if the Contractor submits a false Affidavit pursuant to Section 787.06, F.S., or the Contractor violates Section 787.06, F.S., during the term of this Contract, even if the Contractor was not in violation at the time it submitted its Affidavit.

**ARTICLE 42. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

Reports, surveys, plans, studies and other data provided in connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of CITY whether or not the project for which they are made is completed. City hereby agrees to use CONTRACTOR's work product for its intended purposes.

(REMAINDER INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK)

IN WITNESS OF THE FOREGOING, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals on the dates written below.

**CITY OF COOPER CITY**

**Javy Ortiz Nursey, Inc, DBA Pitch & Grade**

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY MAYOR

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY MANAGER

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM  
AND SUFFICIENCY BY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CITY ATTORNEY

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TITLE

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CITY CLERK

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WITNESSED BY:

ADDRESS:

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE ME, an officer duly authorized by law to administer oaths and take acknowledgments, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, as \_\_\_\_\_ of **Javy Ortiz Nursey, Inc, DBA Pitch & Grade**, and acknowledged that he has executed the foregoing instrument for the use and purposes mentioned in it and that the instrument is the act and deed of \_\_, as \_\_ of **Javy Ortiz Nursey, Inc, DBA Pitch & Grade**, and who is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and seal in the State and County aforesaid this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

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NOTARY PUBLIC

Print or Type Name

My Commission Expires:

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