

CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2021-041

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING TASK ASSIGNMENT NUMBER TWO TO THE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH GMUER ENGINEERING, LLC, A FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND EXTENSION OF WATER MAINS SERVING THE COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL AT A COST NOT-TO-EXCEED \$8,100.00.

WHEREAS, the City of Lake City, Florida (hereinafter the “City”) entered into a Continuing Contract for Professional Services with Gmuer Engineering, LLC (hereinafter “Gmuer”), as authorized by City Council Resolution No. 2019-025 with respect to engineering and consulting services for City projects; and

WHEREAS, the Continuing Contract provides that Gmuer shall perform services to the City only when requested and authorized in writing by the City, and that each request for services shall be for a specific project with the scope of the work to be defined by and embodied in a separate Task Assignment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to enter into Task Assignment Number Two to its Continuing Contract with Gmuer for the replacement and extension of water mains serving the Columbia High School in accordance with the terms and conditions of Task Assignment Number Two, a copy of which is attached hereto as “Exhibit A” and made a part of this resolution and the Continuing Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are all true and accurate and are made a part of this resolution.

Section 2. The City Council hereby authorizes the execution of Task Assignment Number Two with Gmuer for the professional services.

Section 3. The City Manager and City Attorney are authorized to make such reasonable changes and modifications to Task Assignment Number Two as

may be deemed necessary to be in the best interest of the City and its citizens. The Mayor is authorized and directed to execute and deliver Task Assignment Number Two in the name and on behalf of the City, with such changes, amendments, modifications, omissions, and additions made by the City Manager and City Attorney, if any. Execution by the Mayor and Gmuer shall be deemed to be conclusive evidence of approval of such changes, amendments, modifications, omissions, and additions, if any.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the City Council on this ____ day of March 2021.

CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA

By:_____
Stephen M. Witt, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY:

By:_____
Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk

By:_____
Frederick L. Koberlein, Jr.,
City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

TASK ASSIGNMENT TWO TO THE CONTINUING CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA AND GMUER ENGINEERING, LLC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO ENGINEERING AND CONSULTING.

THIS TASK ASSIGNMENT NUMBER TWO is made and entered into this ____ day of March 2021, by and between the CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA, a municipal corporation, located at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055 (hereinafter referred to as the "City") and GMUER ENGINEERING, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, having a mailing address of 1135 NW 23rd Ave, Suite G, Gainesville, Florida 32609 (hereinafter referred to as "Consultant").

RECITALS

A. City and Consultant have heretofore entered into a Continuing Contract for professional services as authorized by City Council Resolution No. 2019-025 (the "Continuing Contract").

B. The Continuing Contract provides that Consultant shall perform services to the City only when requested to and authorized in writing by City and that each request for services shall be for a specific project, with the scope of the work to be performed by and compensation to be paid to Consultant for each separate project and be defined by and embodied in a separate Task Assignment.

C. The City is in need of the replacement and extension of water mains serving Columbia High School and desires to enter into Task Assignment Two with Consultant for such services pursuant to the terms and conditions

contained in Consultant's two-page proposal dated March 4, 2021 (hereinafter "Agreement"), a copy of which is attached as "Exhibit A".

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **RECITALS**: The above recitals are all true and accurate and are incorporated herein and made a part of Task Assignment Two.
2. **PROJECT**: The City hereby engages Consultant and Consultant agrees to furnish to the City the services and work as set forth in the Agreement, a copy of such being attached hereto.
3. **COMPENSATION TO CONSULTANT**: City shall pay Consultant a fee for each of the five (5) services listed in the section titled "Fee" of the Agreement and the total projected cost of the project shall not to exceed \$8,100.00. Consultant shall invoice the City in accordance with the terms and conditions included in the Continuing Contract and in no event more than once per calendar month and said fees shall equal a percentage of the completed work. Should a conflict in the terms and conditions arise the Continuing Contract shall be controlling.
4. **PROVISIONS OF CONTINUING CONTRACT**: The terms, provisions, conditions, obligations, and requirements of the Continuing Contract are incorporated in and made a part of this Task Assignment and shall be binding on, and complied with by, Consultant.

5. **ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS.** In the event of breach by either party of the Continuing Contract or Task Assignment, the breaching party shall be liable for, and agrees to pay, all costs and expenses incurred in the enforcement of this Continuing Contract or Task Assignment Two, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

6. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Task Assignment Two and the Continuing Contract constitute the entire agreement between City and Consultant and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings with respect to the project. Should any of the provisions of this Task Assignment and the Continuing Contract conflict with the provisions of the attachments hereto, the provisions of this Task Assignment and the Continuing Contract shall control. This Task Assignment Two may only be amended, supplemented, modified, or canceled by a duly executed written instrument.

7. **PARTIES BOUND.** This Task Assignment Number Two shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of City and Consultant, their successors and assigns.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and executed this
Task Assignment Number Two as of the day and year first above written.

CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA

By: _____
Stephen M. Witt, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGALITY:

By: _____
Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk

By: _____
Frederick L. Koberlein, Jr.,
City Attorney

GMUER ENGINEERING, LLC

By: _____
Christopher A Gmuer
Authorized Member - President

SHORT FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES with Additions shown in Bold and Underlined

THIS IS AN AGREEMENT effective as of **February 26, 2021** ("Effective Date") between **Lake City Distribution/Collections** ("Owner") and **Gmuier Engineering, LLC** ("Engineer").

Owner's Project, of which Engineer's services under this Agreement are a part, is generally identified as follows: **Columbia High School Water Main Extension** ("Project").

Engineer's services under this Agreement are generally identified as follows: **Proposal dated February 26, 2021 regarding the Columbia High School Water Main Extension** ("Services").

Owner and Engineer further agree as follows:

1.01 *Basic Agreement and Period of Service*

- A. Engineer shall provide or furnish the Services set forth in this Agreement. If authorized by Owner, or if required because of changes in the Project, Engineer shall furnish services in addition to those set forth above ("Additional Services").
- B. Engineer shall complete its Services within the following specific time period: **Dependent on the timing of information supplied by the Owner and Project design consultants, permitting schedules, and final information required for completion of deliverables.** If no specific time period is indicated, Engineer shall complete its Services within a reasonable period of time.
- C. If, through no fault of Engineer, such periods of time or dates are changed, or the orderly and continuous progress of Engineer's Services is impaired, or Engineer's Services are delayed or suspended, then the time for completion of Engineer's Services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, shall be adjusted equitably.

2.01 *Payment Procedures*

- A. **Invoices:** Engineer shall prepare invoices in accordance with its standard invoicing practices and submit the invoices to Owner on a monthly basis. Invoices are due and payable within 30 days of receipt. If Owner fails to make any payment due Engineer for Services, Additional Services, and expenses within 30 days after receipt of Engineer's invoice, then (1) the amounts due Engineer will be increased at the rate of 1.0% per month (or the maximum rate of interest permitted by law, if less) from said thirtieth day, and (2) in addition Engineer may, after giving seven days written notice to Owner, suspend Services under this Agreement until Engineer has been paid in full all amounts due for Services, Additional Services, expenses, and other related charges. Owner waives any and all claims against Engineer for any such suspension.
- B. **Payment:** As compensation for Engineer providing or furnishing Services and Additional Services, Owner shall pay Engineer as set forth in Paragraphs 2.01, 2.02 (Services), and 2.03 (Additional Services). If Owner disputes an invoice, either as to amount or entitlement, then Owner shall promptly advise Engineer in writing of the specific basis for doing so, may withhold only that portion so disputed, and must pay the undisputed portion.

2.02 *Basis of Payment—Lump Sum*

- A. Owner shall pay Engineer for Services as follows:
 1. A Lump Sum amount as outlined in the Services.
 2. In addition to the Lump Sum amount, reimbursement for the expenses outlined in the Services.
- B. The portion of the compensation amount billed monthly for Engineer's Services will be based upon Engineer's estimate of the percentage of the total Services actually completed during the billing period.

2.03 **Additional Services:** For Additional Services, Owner shall pay Engineer an amount equal to the cumulative hours charged in providing the Additional Services by each class of Engineer's employees, times standard hourly rates for each applicable billing class; plus reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with providing the Additional Services and Engineer's consultants' charges, if any. Engineer's standard hourly rates are attached as Appendix 1.

3.01 *Termination*

- A. The obligation to continue performance under this Agreement may be terminated:
 1. For cause,
 - a. By either party upon 30 days written notice in the event of substantial failure by the other party to perform in accordance with the Agreement's terms through no fault of the terminating party. Failure to pay Engineer for its services is a substantial failure to perform and a basis for termination.
 - b. By Engineer:

- 1) upon seven days written notice if Owner demands that Engineer furnish or perform services contrary to Engineer's responsibilities as a licensed professional; or
- 2) upon seven days written notice if the Engineer's Services are delayed for more than 90 days for reasons beyond Engineer's control, or as the result of the presence at the Site of undisclosed Constituents of Concern, as set forth in Paragraph 5.01.I.

- c. Engineer shall have no liability to Owner on account of a termination for cause by Engineer.
- d. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement will not terminate as a result of a substantial failure under Paragraph 3.01.A.1.a if the party receiving such notice begins, within seven days of receipt of such notice, to correct its substantial failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure within no more than 30 days of receipt of notice; provided, however, that if and to the extent such substantial failure cannot be reasonably cured within such 30 day period, and if such party has diligently attempted to cure the same and thereafter continues diligently to cure the same, then the cure period provided for herein shall extend up to, but in no case more than, 60 days after the date of receipt of the notice.

2. For convenience, by Owner effective upon Engineer's receipt of written notice from Owner.

- B. In the event of any termination under Paragraph 3.01, Engineer will be entitled to invoice Owner and to receive full payment for all Services and Additional Services performed or furnished in accordance with this Agreement, plus reimbursement of expenses incurred through the effective date of termination in connection with providing the Services and Additional Services, and Engineer's consultants' charges, if any.

4.01 *Successors, Assigns, and Beneficiaries*

- A. Owner and Engineer are hereby bound and the successors, executors, administrators, and legal representatives of Owner and Engineer (and to the extent permitted by Paragraph 4.01.B the assigns of Owner and Engineer) are hereby bound to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators, and legal representatives (and said assigns) of such other party, in respect of all covenants, agreements, and obligations of this Agreement.
- B. Neither Owner nor Engineer may assign, sublet, or transfer any rights under or interest (including, but without limitation, money that is due or may become due) in this Agreement without the written consent of the other party, except to the extent that any assignment, subletting, or transfer is mandated by law. Unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under this Agreement.
- C. Unless expressly provided otherwise, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create, impose, or give rise to any duty owed by Owner or Engineer to any Constructor, other third-party individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee of any of them. All duties and responsibilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement will be for the sole and exclusive benefit of Owner and Engineer and not for the benefit of any other party.

5.01 *General Considerations*

- A. The standard of care for all professional engineering and related services performed or furnished by Engineer under this Agreement will be the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the subject profession practicing under similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality. Engineer makes no warranties, express or implied, under this Agreement or otherwise, in connection with any services performed or furnished by Engineer. Subject to the foregoing standard of care, Engineer and its consultants may use or rely upon design elements and information ordinarily or customarily furnished by others, including, but not limited to, specialty contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and the publishers of technical standards.
- B. Engineer shall not at any time supervise, direct, control, or have authority over any Constructor's work, nor shall Engineer have authority over or be responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, for security or safety at the Project site, nor for any failure of a Constructor to comply with laws and regulations applicable to such Constructor's furnishing and performing of its work. Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Constructor.
- C. Engineer neither guarantees the performance of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's failure to furnish and perform its work.
- D. Engineer's opinions (if any) of probable construction cost are to be made on the basis of Engineer's experience, qualifications, and general familiarity with the construction industry. However, because Engineer has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment, or services furnished by others, or over contractors'

methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Engineer cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or actual construction cost will not vary from opinions of probable construction cost prepared by Engineer. If Owner requires greater assurance as to probable construction cost, then Owner agrees to obtain an independent cost estimate.

E. Engineer shall not be responsible for any decision made regarding the construction contract requirements, or any application, interpretation, clarification, or modification of the construction contract documents other than those made by Engineer or its consultants.

F. All documents prepared or furnished by Engineer are instruments of service, and Engineer retains an ownership and property interest (including the copyright and the right of reuse) in such documents, whether or not the Project is completed. Owner shall have a limited license to use the documents on the Project, extensions of the Project, and for related uses of the Owner, subject to receipt by Engineer of full payment due and owing for all Services and Additional Services relating to preparation of the documents and subject to the following limitations:

1. Owner acknowledges that such documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for use on the Project unless completed by Engineer, or for use or reuse by Owner or others on extensions of the Project, on any other project, or for any other use or purpose, without written verification or adaptation by Engineer;
2. any such use or reuse, or any modification of the documents, without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer, as appropriate for the specific purpose intended, will be at Owner's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Engineer or to its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and consultants;
3. Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and consultants from all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from any use, reuse, or modification of the documents without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer; and
4. such limited license to Owner shall not create any rights in third parties.

G. Owner and Engineer may transmit, and shall accept, Project-related correspondence, documents, text, data, drawings, information, and graphics, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website, in accordance with a mutually agreeable protocol.

H. To the fullest extent permitted by law, Owner and Engineer (1) waive against each other, and the other's employees, officers, directors, members, agents, insurers, partners, and consultants, any and all claims for or entitlement to special, incidental, indirect, or consequential damages arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to this Agreement or the Project, and (2) agree that Engineer's total liability to Owner under this Agreement shall be limited to **\$50,000** or the total amount of compensation received by Engineer, whichever is greater.

I. The parties acknowledge that Engineer's Services do not include any services related to unknown or undisclosed Constituents of Concern. If Engineer or any other party encounters, uncovers, or reveals an unknown or undisclosed Constituent of Concern, then Engineer may, at its option and without liability for consequential or any other damages, suspend performance of Services on the portion of the Project affected thereby until such portion of the Project is no longer affected, or terminate this Agreement for cause if it is not practical to continue providing Services.

J. Owner and Engineer agree to negotiate each dispute between them in good faith during the 30 days after notice of dispute. If negotiations are unsuccessful in

resolving the dispute, then the dispute shall be mediated. If mediation is unsuccessful, then the parties may exercise their rights at law. **Owner and Engineer agree that any actions arising out of or related to this Agreement shall only be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Alachua County, FL.**

K. This Agreement is to be governed by the law of the state in which the Project is located.

L. Engineer's Services and Additional Services do not include: (1) serving as a "municipal advisor" for purposes of the registration requirements of Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) or the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission; (2) advising Owner, or any municipal entity or other person or entity, regarding municipal financial products or the issuance of municipal securities, including advice with respect to the structure, timing, terms, or other similar matters concerning such products or issuances; (3) providing surety bonding or insurance-related advice, recommendations, counseling, or research, or enforcement of construction insurance or surety bonding requirements; or (4) providing legal advice or representation.

M. PURSUANT TO § 558.0035 FLORIDA STATUTES, AN INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYEE OR AGENT MAY NOT BE HELD INDIVIDUALLY LIABLE FOR NEGLIGENCE.

6.01 Total Agreement

A. This Agreement (including any expressly incorporated attachments), constitutes the entire agreement between Owner and Engineer and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings. This Agreement may only be amended, supplemented, modified, or canceled by a duly executed written instrument.

Definitions

B. **Constructor**—Any person or entity (not including the Engineer, its employees, agents, representatives, and consultants), performing or supporting construction activities relating to the Project, including but not limited to contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, Owner's work forces, utility companies, construction managers, testing firms, shippers, and truckers, and the employees, agents, and representatives of any or all of them.

C. **Constituent of Concern**—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive material, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), hazardous waste, and any substance, product, waste, or other material of any nature whatsoever that is or becomes listed, regulated, or addressed pursuant to (a) the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. §§9601 et seq. ("CERCLA"); (b) the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. §§5101 et seq.; (c) the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. §§6901 et seq. ("RCRA"); (d) the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §§2601 et seq.; (e) the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§1251 et seq.; (f) the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.; or (g) any other federal, State, or local statute, law, rule, regulation, ordinance, resolution, code, order, or decree regulating, relating to, or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning, any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous waste, substance, or material.

Attachments: Appendix 1, Gmuere Engineering, LLC Standard Hourly Rates for 2020

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, the Effective Date of which is indicated on page 1.

Owner: _____

Engineer: Gmuere Engineering, LLC

By: _____

By: 

Print Name: _____

Print Name: Christopher A. Gmuere, PE

Title: _____ Date Signed: _____

Title: President Date Signed: February 26, 2021

Address for Owner's receipt of notices:

Engineer License Number: 71599

Address for Engineer's receipt of notices:

Email: _____ -and/or- _____

chrisg@gmuereeng.com -and/or- _____

2603 NW 13th Street, Box 314

Gainesville, FL 32609

This is **Appendix 1, Gmuer Engineering, LLC Standard Hourly Rates for 2020**, referred to in and part of the Short Form of Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services.

Engineer's Standard Hourly Rates

A. *Standard Hourly Rates:*

1. Standard Hourly Rates are set forth in this Appendix 1 and include salaries and wages paid to personnel in each billing class plus the cost of customary and statutory benefits, general and administrative overhead, non-project operating costs, and operating margin or profit.
2. The Standard Hourly Rates apply only as specified in Paragraphs 2.01, 2.02, and 2.03, and are subject to annual review and adjustment.

B. *Schedule of Hourly Rates:*

Billing Class	Rate
Principal Professional Engineer	\$ 175/hour
Senior Professional Engineer	\$ 150/hour
Professional Engineer	\$ 125/hour
Staff Engineer	\$ 75/hour
Senior CAD Designer	\$ 100/hour
CAD Designer	\$ 75/hour
CAD Assistant	\$ 50/hour
Senior Project Manager	\$ 100/hour
Project Manager	\$ 75/hour
Project Assistant	\$ 50/hour
Senior Planner	\$ 150/hour
Planner	\$ 100/hour
Planning Assistant	\$ 50/hour
Staff Assistant	\$ 40/hour