

**AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER  
FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

THIS IS AN AGREEMENT effective as of 5/9/2023 ("Effective Date") between  
City of Lander \_\_\_\_\_ ("Owner") and  
**[ Dowl ]** \_\_\_\_\_ ("Engineer").

Owner's Project, of which Engineer's services under this Agreement are a part, is generally identified as follows:

Popo Agie River Park Pathway Study \_\_\_\_\_ ("Project").

Other terms used in this Agreement are defined in Article 7.

Engineer's services under this Agreement are generally identified as follows: **[See proposal form attached and included as Exhibit A**

Owner and Engineer further agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1— SERVICES OF ENGINEER**

1.01 *Scope*

- A. Engineer shall provide, or cause to be provided, the services set forth herein and in Exhibit A.

**ARTICLE 2 — OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

2.01 *General*

- A. Owner shall pay Engineer as set forth in Article 4.
- B. Owner shall give prompt written notice to Engineer whenever Owner observes or otherwise becomes aware of:
1. any development that affects the scope or time of performance of Engineer's services;
  2. the presence at the Site of any Constituent of Concern; or
  3. any relevant, material defect or nonconformance in: (a) Engineer's services, (b) the Work, (c) the performance of any Constructor, or (d) Owner's performance of its responsibilities under this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 3 — SCHEDULE FOR RENDERING SERVICES**

3.01 *Commencement*

- A. Engineer is authorized to begin rendering services as of the Effective Date.

### 3.02 *Time for Completion*

- A. Engineer shall complete its obligations within a reasonable time. Specific periods of time for rendering services, or specific dates by which services are to be completed, are provided in Exhibit A, and are hereby agreed to be reasonable.
- B. 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.
- C. If Owner authorizes changes in the scope, extent, or character of the Project or Engineer's services, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, shall be adjusted equitably.
- D. Owner shall make decisions and carry out its other responsibilities in a timely manner so as not to delay the Engineer's performance of its services.
- E. If Engineer fails, through its own fault, to complete the performance required in this Agreement within the time set forth, as duly adjusted, then Owner shall be entitled, as its sole remedy, to the recovery of direct damages, if any, resulting from such failure.

## **ARTICLE 4 — INVOICES AND PAYMENTS**

### 4.01 *Invoices*

- A. *Preparation and Submittal of Invoices:* Engineer shall prepare invoices in accordance with its standard invoicing practices. Engineer shall submit its invoices to Owner on a monthly basis. Invoices are due and payable within 45 days of receipt.

### 4.02 *Payments*

- A. *Application to Interest and Principal:* Payment will be credited first to any interest owed to Engineer and then to principal.
- B. *Failure to Pay:* If Owner fails to make any payment due Engineer for services and expenses within 45 days after receipt of Engineer's invoice, then:
  - 1. 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. Engineer may, after giving fourteen days written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement until Owner has paid in full all amounts due for services, expenses, and other related charges. Owner waives any and all claims against Engineer for any such suspension.
- C. *Disputed Invoices:* 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 subject to the terms of Paragraph 4.01.

## **ARTICLE 5 — GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### *5.01 Standards of Performance*

- A. *Standard of Care:* 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.
- B. *Technical Accuracy:* Owner shall not be responsible for discovering deficiencies in the technical accuracy of Engineer's services. Engineer shall correct deficiencies in technical accuracy without additional compensation. Engineer is responsible for the technical accuracy of all information that the Engineer chooses to use in order to complete the project as agreed upon.
- C. *Consultants:* Engineer may retain such Consultants as Engineer deems necessary to assist in the performance or furnishing of the services, subject to reasonable, timely, and substantive objections by Owner.
- D. *Compliance with Laws and Regulations, and Policies and Procedures:*
  - 1. Engineer and Owner shall comply with applicable Laws and Regulations.
  - 2. Engineer shall comply with any and all policies, procedures, and instructions of Owner that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement and that Owner provides to Engineer in writing, subject to the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 5.01.A, and to the extent compliance is not inconsistent with professional practice requirements.
  - 3. This Agreement is based on Laws and Regulations and Owner-provided written policies and procedures as of the Effective Date. The following may be the basis for modifications to Owner's responsibilities or to Engineer's scope of services, times of performance, or compensation:
    - a. changes after the Effective Date to Laws and Regulations;
    - b. changes after the Effective Date to Owner-provided written policies or procedures.
- E. 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 Site, nor for any failure of a Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to that Constructor's furnishing and performing of its work. Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Constructor.
- F. Engineer shall not be responsible for any decision made regarding the Construction Contract Documents, or any application, interpretation, clarification, or modification of the Construction Contract Documents, other than those made by Engineer or its Consultants.

- G. Engineer is not required to provide and does not have any responsibility for surety bonding or insurance-related advice, recommendations, counseling, or research, or enforcement of construction insurance or surety bonding requirements.
- H. Engineer's services do not include providing legal advice or representation.
- I. While at the Site, Engineer, its Consultants, and their employees and representatives shall comply with the applicable requirements of Contractor's and Owner's safety programs of which Engineer has been informed in writing.

#### 5.02 *Use of Documents*

- A. If Engineer is required to prepare or furnish Drawings or Specifications under this Agreement, Engineer shall deliver to Owner at least one original printed record version of such Drawings and Specifications, signed and sealed according to applicable Laws and Regulations along with electronic versions in their original format of such documents as requested by the Owner.
- B. Owner may make and retain copies of Documents for information and reference in connection with the use of the Documents on the Project. Engineer understands Owner has permission 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 relating to preparation of the Documents, and subject to the following limitations: (1) 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.
- C. Engineer must get Owner's written permission to use any information created or gathered for this project for any other clients or other projects that are not for the Owner.

#### 5.03 *Electronic Transmittals*

- A. 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.
- B. If this Agreement does not establish protocols for electronic or digital transmittals, then Owner and Engineer shall jointly develop such protocols.
- C. When transmitting items in electronic media or digital format, the transmitting party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the items resulting from the recipient's use of software application packages, operating systems, or computer hardware differing from those used in the drafting or transmittal of the items, or from those established in applicable transmittal protocols.

#### 5.04 *Insurance*

- A. Engineer shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit B. Engineer shall cause Owner to be listed as an additional insured on any applicable general liability insurance policy carried by Engineer.

- B. Engineer shall deliver certificates of insurance evidencing the coverages indicated in Exhibit B. Such certificates shall be furnished prior to commencement of Engineer's services and at renewals thereafter during the life of the Agreement.
- C. All policies of insurance shall contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled or reduced in limits by endorsement, and that renewal will not be refused, until at least 10 days prior written notice has been given to the primary insured. Upon receipt of such notice, the receiving party shall promptly forward a copy of the notice to the other party to this Agreement.
- D. At any time, Owner may request that Engineer or its Consultants, at Owner's sole expense, provide additional insurance coverage, increased limits, or revised deductibles that are more protective than those specified in Exhibit B. If so requested by Owner, and if commercially available, Engineer shall obtain and shall require its Consultants to obtain such additional insurance coverage, different limits, or revised deductibles for such periods of time as requested by Owner, and Exhibit B will be supplemented to incorporate these requirements.

5.05 *Suspension and Termination*

A. *Suspension:*

- 1. *By Owner:* Owner may suspend the Project for up to 90 days upon seven days written notice to Engineer.
- 2. *By Engineer:* Engineer may, after giving seven days written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement if Owner has failed to pay Engineer for invoiced services and expenses, as set forth in Paragraph 4.02.B, or in response to the presence of Constituents of Concern at the Site, as set forth in Paragraph 6.10.D.

B. *Termination:* The obligation to provide further services 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 terms hereof through no fault of the terminating party.
  - 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 fourteen days written notice if the Engineer's services for the Project are delayed or suspended 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 6.10.D.

c. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement will not terminate under Paragraph 5.05.6.1.a if the party receiving such notice begins, within fourteen 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 thereof; 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 notice from Owner.

C. *Effective Date of Termination:* The terminating party under Paragraph 5.05.B may set the effective date of termination at a time up to 30 days later than otherwise provided to allow Engineer to demobilize personnel and equipment from the Site, to complete tasks whose value would otherwise be lost, to prepare notes as to the status of completed and uncompleted tasks, and to assemble Project materials in orderly files.

D. *Payments Upon Termination:*

1. In the event of any termination under Paragraph 5.05, Engineer will be entitled to invoice Owner and to receive full payment for all services performed or furnished in accordance with this Agreement and all Reimbursable Expenses incurred through the effective date of termination. Upon making such payment, Owner shall have the right to the use of Documents, at Owner's sole risk, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 5.02.

#### 5.06 *Controlling Law*

A. This Agreement is to be governed by the Laws and Regulations of the state in which the Project is located.

#### 5.07 *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 5.07.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. Either party cannot refuse a request by the other party to request to assign, sublet, or transfer in order to avoid legal or financial responsibilities caused by professional negligence or damages caused by technical accuracy.

- C. Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement:
  - 1. 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.
  - 2. 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.
  - 3. Owner agrees that the substance of the provisions of this Paragraph 6.08.0 shall appear in the Construction Contract Documents.

#### 5.08 *Dispute Resolution*

- A. Owner and Engineer agree to negotiate all disputes between them in good faith for a period of 30 days from the date of notice prior to invoking the procedures in 5.08C or other provisions of this Agreement, or exercising their rights at law.
- B. If the parties fail to resolve a dispute through negotiation under Paragraph 5.08.A, then either or both may invoke the procedures of 5.08C.
- C. *Mediation:* Owner and Engineer agree that they shall first submit any and all unsettled claims, counterclaims, disputes, and other matters in question between them arising out of or relating to this Agreement or the breach thereof ("Disputes") to mediation by an agreed upon Mediator. Owner and Engineer agree to participate in the mediation process in good faith. The process shall be conducted on a confidential basis, and shall be completed within 120 days. If such mediation is unsuccessful in resolving a Dispute, then (1) the parties may mutually agree to a dispute resolution of their choice, or (2) either party may seek to have the Dispute resolved by a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### 5.09 *Indemnification*

- A. *Indemnification by Engineer:* To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Engineer shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner, and Owner's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, consultants, and employees, from losses, damages, and judgments (including reasonable consultants' and attorneys' fees and expenses) arising from third-party claims or actions relating to the Project, provided that any such claim, action, loss, damages, or judgment is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom, but only to the extent caused by any negligent act or omission of Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, or Consultants.

#### 5.10 *Records Retention*

- A. Engineer shall maintain on file in legible form, for a period of five years following completion or termination of its services, all Documents, records (including cost records), and design calculations related to Engineer's services or pertinent to Engineer's performance under this Agreement. Upon Owner's request, Engineer shall provide a copy of any such item to Owner at no additional cost.

#### 5.11 *Miscellaneous Provisions*

- A. *Notices:* Any notice required under this Agreement will be in writing, addressed to the appropriate party at its address on the signature page and given personally, by registered or certified mail postage prepaid, or by a commercial courier service. All notices shall be effective upon the date of receipt.
- B. *Survival:* All express representations, waivers, indemnifications, and limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination for any reason.
- C. *Severability:* Any provision or part of the Agreement held to be void or unenforceable under any Laws or Regulations shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Engineer, which agree that the Agreement shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision.
- D. *Waiver:* A party's non-enforcement of any provision shall not constitute a waiver of that provision, nor shall it affect the enforceability of that provision or of the remainder of this Agreement.
- E. *Accrual of Claims:* To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, all causes of action arising under this Agreement shall be deemed to have accrued, and all statutory periods of limitation shall commence, no later than the date of Substantial Completion.

### **ARTICLE 6 — EXHIBITS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

#### 6.01 *Exhibits Included:*

- A. Exhibit A, Engineer's Services.
- B. Exhibit B, Insurance.

#### 6.02 *Total Agreement*

- A. This Agreement, (together with the exhibits included above) 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 written instrument duly executed by both parties.

#### 6.03 *Designated Representatives*

- A. With the execution of this Agreement, Engineer and Owner shall designate specific individuals to act as Engineer's and Owner's representatives with respect to the services to be performed or furnished by Engineer and responsibilities of Owner under this Agreement. Such an individual shall have authority to transmit instructions, receive information, and render decisions relative to this Agreement on behalf of the respective party whom the individual represents.



6.04 *Engineer's Certifications*

A. Engineer certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Agreement. For the purposes of this Paragraph 8.04:

1. "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the selection process or in the Agreement execution;
2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the selection process or the execution of the Agreement to the detriment of Owner, or (b) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
3. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the selection process or affect the execution of the Agreement.

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

Owner: **City of Lander**

Engineer: **Dowl**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name: Mont Richardson  
Title: Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Print name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: 5/09/2023

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

Engineer License or Firm's Certificate No. (if required):

State of: \_\_\_\_\_

Address for Owner's receipt of notices:

Address for Engineer's receipt of notices:

~~240 Lincoln Street~~  
~~Lander, WY 82420~~

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Designated Representative (Paragraph 8.03.A):

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Title: Mayor  
Phone Number: 307-332-2870  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is **EXHIBIT B**, consisting of 1 page, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services Dated 5/09/2023**

**Insurance**

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Paragraph 6.04 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

G6.05 *Insurance*

A. The limits of liability for the insurance required by Paragraph 5.04.A of the Agreement are as follows:

1. By Engineer:
  - a. Workers' Compensation: Statutory
  - b. Employer's Liability --
    - 1) Bodily injury, each accident: \$1,000,000
    - 2) Bodily injury by disease, each employee: \$1,000,000
    - 3) Bodily injury/disease, aggregate: \$1,000,000
  - c. General Liability --
    - 1) Each Occurrence (Bodily Injury and Property Damage): \$1,000,000
    - 2) General Aggregate: \$2,000,000
  - d. Excess or Umbrella Liability --
    - 1) Per Occurrence: \$2,000,000
    - 2) General Aggregate: \$2,000,000
  - e. Automobile Liability -- (Bodily Injury and Property Damage):
    - 1) Combined Single Limit \$1,000,000
  - f. Professional Liability —
    - 1) Each Claim Made \$1,000,000
    - 2) Annual Aggregate \$1,000,000