

June 28, 2021

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell Theriot City of Lathrup Village 27400 Southfield Road Lathrup Village, MI 48076

Dear Sheryl:

Thank you for your selection of Plante & Moran, PLLC ("PM") to assist you. This letter and the accompanying Professional Services Agreement, which is hereby incorporated as part of this engagement letter, confirms our understanding of the nature, limitations, and terms of the services PM will provide to City of Lathrup Village ("Client").

Scope of Services

As Plante Moran is the City of Lathrup Village's auditor, the Plante Moran Government Accounting Professionals ("PMGAP") service team has some limitations on what they are allowed to do under the independence standards of our profession; however, we can provide support to your accounting team provided we do not make any management decisions and that someone at the City of Lathrup Village is willing and capable to oversee and take responsibility for our work.

Based on our previous conversations, the following departments and activities are among those for which you may request we provide assistance.

Capital Assets:

 Update capital asset schedules from general ledger detail based on expense accounts identified by the client and reviewing for expenses over the capitalization threshold. Review the City Council minutes to identify any additional assets not previously identified through review of expense accounts. The list of assets will be provided to the client to assign estimated useful lives. Compute current year depreciation expense based on historical costs, estimated useful lives, and depreciation methods as determined by management.

Pension/OPEB Liability

 Pension and OPEB liabilities – Update GASB 68 and GASB 75 templates with data from actuarial valuations and other supporting documents.

Preparation of additional audit workpapers may be requested by City management. Any agreed upon additional work not specified above will be included in an addendum to this engagement letter.



During the course of our work, it is likely that we will identify journal entries the City of Lathrup Village should consider. Any recommendations for adjusting entries will be summarized in writing and presented to City of Lathrup Village Management for their evaluation. Management agrees to accept responsibility for reviewing, approving, and posting any adjusting entries proposed by Plane Moran. Management will provide Plante Moran with written documentation affirming their review and approval.

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If the City of Lathrup Village chooses to use our help, our work product will be under the direction and supervision of Pam Bratschi, City Treasurer. We will not make management decisions on behalf of the City of Lathrup Village or, in any way, perform tasks that will impair Plante Moran's ability to continue on as the auditors for City of Lathrup Village under all applicable independence standards of our profession. To help ensure this, the PMGAP team members will be different individuals from your audit team.

It should be noted that at no time during this engagement will we be responsible for making investment decisions, signing checks, making bank transfers, initiating ACH or wire transfers, or handling cash in any way.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, we expect some of our work will be performed remotely. Meetings and presentations may be conducted using Zoom or Microsoft Teams. For procedures that are necessary to be performed onsite, if any, we will work with you to schedule that work based on and subject to applicable legal requirements and/or guidance regarding worksite safety conditions. While working remotely, we will rely on the City of Lathrup Village to provide any electronic documents we require, and possibly remote access to the general ledger and other electronic systems.

Fees and Payment Terms

The fee for our services, subject to the terms and conditions of the accompanying Professional Services Agreement, will be based on the actual time that staff expend and will be billed at the following discounted hourly rates:

Accounting Consultant	\$141
Senior Accounting Consultant	\$155
Manager	\$200
Partner	\$330

The majority of our work will be performed by either a Consultant or Senior Consultant. We strive to be as efficient as possible and delegate work to the most cost-effective member of our team.

The rates listed above will increase three percent on January 1, 2022 and annually thereafter should you continue to utilize this service.

Any other projects or consulting services in addition to the ones noted above may be requested by City management. Fees for those additional services will be negotiated and included in a separate engagement letter.



As you probably realize, our primary cost is salaries that are paid currently. Accordingly, our invoices, which will be rendered as services are provided are due when received. In the event an invoice is not paid timely, a late charge in the amount of 1.25 percent per month will be added, beginning 30 days after the date of the invoice.

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For your convenience, payments can be made via domestic wire or ACH to the following account:

Domestic Wire			<u>ACH</u>		
Bank of America		Bank of America			
100 West 33 rd Street			1401 Elm Street 2 nd Floor		
New York, NY 10001			Dallas TX 75202		
Account No.	9890996003		Account No.	9890996003	
Routing/ABA No.	026009593		Routing/ABA No.	071000039	
Account Name:	Plante & Moran, PLLC		Account Name:	Plante & Moran, PLLC	
Account Address:	3000 Town Center		Account Address	3000 Town Center	
	Suite 400			Suite 400	
	Southfield, MI 48075			Southfield, MI 48075	

If you are in agreement with our understanding of this engagement, as set forth in this engagement letter and the accompanying Professional Services Agreement, please sign the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to us with the accompanying Professional Services Agreement.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you.

Very truly yours,

Plante & Moran, PLLC

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Agreed and Accepted

We accept this engagement letter and the accompanying Professional Services Agreement (collectively "Agreement"), which set forth the entire agreement between City of Lathrup Village and Plante & Moran, PLLC with respect to the services specified in the Scope of Services section of this engagement letter.

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City of Lathrup Village

Dr. Sheryl Mitchell Theriot

Date

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Professional Services Agreement – Temporary Finance Assistance Addendum to Plante & Moran, PLLC Engagement Letter

This Professional Services Agreement is part of the engagement letter for our temporary finance assistance services dated June 28, 2021 between Plante & Moran, PLLC (referred to herein as "PM") and City of Lathrup Village (referred to herein as "Client").

Management Responsibilities – The temporary finance services PM will provide are advisory in nature. While
providing these services, PM will have no authority or responsibility for any management decisions or management
functions. Further, Client acknowledges that Client is solely responsible for all such management decisions and
management functions. Client will also be responsible for evaluating the adequacy and results of the services PM
will provide and accepting responsibility for the results of those services. Client has designated Pam Bratschi to
oversee the services PM will provide.

Client is responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls, including monitoring ongoing activities in connection with our engagement.

PM accepts no responsibility as a responsible party for the payment of taxes of any nature, including, but not limited to income, withholding, sales, excess of other taxes assessed at the Federal, State or local levels that may be owed or otherwise arise.

Client represents and warrants that any and all information that it transmits to PM will be done so in full compliance with all applicable federal, state, local, and foreign privacy and data protection laws, as well as all other applicable regulations and directives, as may be amended from time to time (collectively, "Data Privacy Laws"). Client shall not disclose personal data of data subjects ("Personal Data") who are entitled to certain rights and protections afforded by Data Privacy Laws to PM without prior notification to PM. Client shall make reasonable efforts to limit the disclosure of Personal Data to PM to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended purpose of the disclosure to PM.

- 2. Review and Supervision Client understands and acknowledges that all PM staff assigned to this project are working solely at Client's direction and agree that all work performed will be subject to the same supervision, review and approval practices that Client undertakes with its own staff. It is understood that, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, the work of PM staff assigned to this project will not be reviewed by any other person at PM. Client is solely responsible for supervision, review and approval of the work performed, including review and approval of any journal entries prepared by PM staff prior to posting.
- Nature and Limitations of Services PM's project activities will be based on information and records provided by Client. PM will rely on such underlying information and records and PM's project activities will not include audit or verification of the information and records provided to PM in connection with PM's project activities.

The project activities PM will perform will not constitute an examination or audit of any Client financial statements or any other items, including Client's internal controls. If Client requires financial statements or other financial information for third-party use, or if Client requires tax preparation or consulting services, a separate engagement letter will be required. Accordingly, Client agrees not to associate or make reference to PM in connection with any financial statements or other financial information of Client. In addition, PM's engagement is not designed and cannot be relied upon to disclose errors, fraud or illegal acts that may exist. However, PM will inform Client of any such matters that come to PM's attention.

- 4. Project Deliverables At the conclusion of PM's project activities and periodically as the project progresses, PM will review the results of the project work with Client and provide Client with any observations related to PM's services that PM believes warrant Client's attention. PM also will provide Client with copies of analyses, tax filings, or other materials that PM may develop in the course of this engagement upon Client's request. PM will not issue a written report as a result of this engagement and Client agrees that the nature and extent of the work product that PM will provide, as outlined in this Agreement, are sufficient for Client's purposes.
- 5. Confidentiality, Ownership, and Retention of Workpapers During the course of this engagement, PM and PM staff may have access to proprietary information of Client, including, but not limited to, information regarding general ledger balances, financial transactions, trade secrets, business methods, plans, or projects. PM acknowledges that such information, regardless of its form, is confidential and proprietary to Client. PM will comply with all applicable ethical standards, laws, and regulations as to the retention, protection, use and distribution of such confidential client information. Except to the extent set forth herein, PM will not disclose such information to any third party without the prior written consent of Client.

In the interest of facilitating PM's services to Client, PM may communicate or exchange data by internet, e-mail, facsimile transmission, or other electronic methods. While PM will use its best efforts to keep such communications and transmissions secure in accordance with PM's obligations under applicable laws and professional standards,



Client recognizes and accepts that PM has no control over the unauthorized interception of these communications or transmissions once they have been sent, and consents to PM's use of these electronic devices during this engagement.

Because the work performed under this Agreement is subject solely to Client's review and supervision, we do not expect that we will need to retain detailed workpapers supporting our work. Workpapers and documentation created will become part of Client's accounting records. If, however, we conclude to retain copies of such workpapers or documentation, such workpapers retained in the course of this engagement are and shall remain the property of PM. PM will maintain the confidentiality of all such workpapers as long as they remain in PM's possession.

Both Client and PM acknowledge, however, that PM may be required to make its workpapers available to regulatory authorities or by court order or subpoena in a legal, administrative, arbitration, or similar proceeding in which PM is not a party. Disclosure of confidential information in accordance with requirements of regulatory authorities or pursuant to court order or subpoena shall not constitute a breach of the provisions of this Agreement. In the event that a request for any confidential information or workpapers covered by this Agreement is made by regulatory authorities or pursuant to a court order or subpoena, PM agrees to inform Client in a timely manner of such request and to cooperate with Client should Client attempt, at Client's cost, to limit such access. This provision will survive the termination of this Agreement. PM's efforts in complying with such requests will be deemed billable to Client as a separate engagement. PM shall be entitled to compensation for its time and reasonable reimbursement of its expenses (including legal fees) in complying with the request.

PM reserves the right to destroy, and it is understood that PM will destroy, workpapers created in the course of this engagement in accordance with PM's record retention and destruction policies, which are designed to meet all relevant regulatory requirements for retention of workpapers. PM has no obligation to maintain workpapers other than for its own purposes or to meet those regulatory requirements.

- 6. Consent to Disclosures to Service Providers In some circumstances, PM may use third-party service providers to assist with its services, including affiliates of PM within or outside the United States. In those circumstances, PM will be solely responsible for the provision of any services by any such third-party service providers and for the protection of any information provided to such third-party service providers. PM will require any such third-party service provider to: (i) maintain the confidentiality of any information furnished; and (ii) not use any information for any purpose unrelated to assisting with PM's services for Client. In order to enable these third party service providers to assist PM in this capacity, Client, by its duly authorized signature on the accompanying engagement letter, consents to PM's disclosure of all or any portion of Client's information, including tax return information, to such third party service providers, including affiliates of PM outside of the United States, if and to the extent such information is relevant to the services such third party service providers may provide and agrees that PM's disclosure of such information for such purposes shall not constitute a breach of the provisions of this Agreement. Client's consent shall be continuing until the services provided for this Agreement are completed.
- 7. Fee Quotes In any circumstance where PM has provided estimated fees, fixed fees, or not-to-exceed fees ("Fee Quotes"), these Fee Quotes are based on responsibilities under the scope of services. PM's services frequently depend upon the availability and cooperation of those Client personnel relevant to PM's project activities and providing needed information to PM in a timely and orderly manner. In the event that undisclosed or unforeseeable facts regarding these matters causes the actual work required for this engagement to vary from PM's estimates, the estimated fees will be adjusted for the additional time PM incurs as a result.

In any circumstance where PM's work is rescheduled due to Client's failure to provide information or assistance necessary for the engagement, PM offers no guarantee, express or implied, that PM will be able to meet any previously established deadline related to the completion of the work. Because rescheduling work imposes additional costs on PM, in any circumstance where PM has provided estimated fees, those estimated fees may be adjusted for additional time PM incurs as a result of rescheduling its work. PM will endeavor to advise Client in the event any circumstances occur which would require PM's work to be rescheduled. However it is acknowledged that the exact impact on the Fee Quote may not be determinable until the conclusion of the engagement. Such fee adjustments will be determined in accordance with the Fee Adjustments provision of this Agreement.

8. Payment Terms – PM invoices for professional services are due upon receipt unless otherwise specified in this engagement letter. In the event any of PM's invoices are not paid in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, PM may elect, at PM's sole discretion, to suspend work until PM receives payment in full for all amounts due or terminate this engagement. In the event that work is suspended, for nonpayment or other reasons, and subsequently resumed, PM offers no guarantee, express or implied, that PM will be able to meet any previously established deadlines related to the completion of PM's consulting work. Client agrees that in the event that work is suspended, for non-payment or other reasons, PM shall not be liable for any damages that occur as a result of PM ceasing to render services.



- 9. Fee Adjustments Any fee adjustments for reasons described elsewhere in this Agreement will be determined based on the actual time expended by PM staff at PM's current hourly rates, plus all reasonable and necessary travel and out-of-pocket costs incurred, and included as an adjustment to PM's invoices related to this engagement. Client acknowledges and agrees that payment for all such fee adjustments will be made in accordance with the payment terms provided in this Agreement.
- 10. Conditions of PM Visit to Client Facilities Client agrees that PM's services will be provided remotely to the maximum extent possible. In order to facilitate the provision of services remotely. Client agrees to provide documentation and other information reasonably required by PM for PM's performance of the engaged services electronically to the extent possible throughout the course of the engagement. In the event in-person visits to Client's facility(ies) are determined by PM in its sole discretion to be necessary for the performance of the engaged services, Client agrees, as a pre-condition to any such in-person visit, to provide to PM for PM's evaluation Client's policies and procedures that Client has implemented and will adhere to relating to workplace safety and the prevention of the transmission of disease at its facility(ies). In addition, Client affirms that it is in compliance with applicable Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and OSHA guidance pertaining to the prevention of the transmission of disease (collectively, "Applicable Preventative Guidance") and agrees that it shall continue to comply with Applicable Preventative Guidance throughout any in-person visits by PM to Client's facility(ies). Client further affirms that it is in compliance and shall continue to comply with all other applicable laws, regulations, or executive orders relating to COVID-19 or the prevention of the spread thereof (collectively, "COVID-19 Laws") and agrees that it shall continue to comply with COVID-19 Laws throughout any in-person visits by PM to Client's facility(ies). Notwithstanding the foregoing, PM reserves the right to suspend or refrain from any in-person visit by PM to Client's facility(ies) or impose further conditions on any such in-person visit if and as PM deems necessary at its sole discretion. Client agrees and acknowledges that any determination by PM to visit Client's facility(ies) is not and shall not be construed to be or relied on by Client as a determination by PM of Client's compliance with Applicable Preventative Guidance or any COVID-19 Laws.
- 11. Exclusion of Certain Damages Except to the extent finally determined to have resulted from PM's gross negligence or willful misconduct, Client agrees to limit the liability of PM or any of PM's officers, directors, partners, members, managers, employees, affiliated, parent or subsidiary entities, and approved third party service providers (collectively, "PM Persons") for any and all claims, losses, costs, and damages of any nature whatsoever so that the total aggregate liability of PM and/or the PM Persons to Client shall not exceed the total fees paid by Client to PM for the services provided in connection with this Agreement. Client and PM agree that these limitations on PM's maximum liability are reasonable in view of, among other things, the scope of the services, and the fees PM is to receive under this engagement. In no event shall PM be liable to Client, whether a claim be in tort, contract, or otherwise, for any consequential, indirect, lost profit, punitive, exemplary, or other special damages. PM and Client agree that these limitations apply to any and all liabilities or causes of action against PM, however alleged or arising, unless to the extent otherwise prohibited by law. This provision shall survive the termination of this engagement.

In the event this Agreement expressly identifies multiple phases of services, the total aggregate liability of PM to Client shall be limited to no more than the total amount of fees paid by Client for the particular phase of services alleged to have given rise to any such liability.

- 12. Receipt of Legal Process In the event PM is required to respond to a subpoena, court order, or other legal process (in a matter involving Client but not PM) for the production of documents and/or testimony relative to information PM obtained and/or prepared during the course of this engagement, Client agrees to compensate PM for the affected PM staff's time at such staff's current hourly rates, and to reimburse PM for all of PM's out-of-pocket costs incurred associated with PM's response unless otherwise reimbursed by a third party.
- 13. Termination of Engagement This Agreement may be terminated by either party upon written notice. Upon notification of termination, PM's services will cease and PM's engagement will be deemed to have been completed. Client will be obligated to compensate PM for all time expended and to reimburse PM for all out-of-pocket expenditures through the date of termination of this engagement.
- 14. Time Limits Except for actions to enforce payment of PM's invoices and without limiting any claims for indemnification hereunder, any claim or cause of action arising under or otherwise relating to this engagement must be filed within two years from the completion of the engagement without regard to any statutory provision to the contrary.
- 15. Entire Agreement This Agreement is contractual in nature and includes all of the relevant terms that will govern the engagement for which it has been prepared. The terms of this letter supersede any prior oral or written representations or commitments by or between the parties regarding the subject matter hereof. Any material changes or additions to the terms set forth in this letter will only become effective if evidenced by a written amendment to this Agreement, signed by all of the parties.



- 16. **Severability** If any provision of this Agreement (in whole or part) is held to be invalid or otherwise unenforceable, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- 17. **Defense, Indemnification, and Hold Harmless** As a condition of PM's willingness to perform the services provided for in the engagement letter, Client agrees to defend, indemnify and hold PM and the PM Persons harmless against any claims by third parties for losses, claims, damages, or liabilities, to which PM or the PM Persons may become subject in connection with or related to the services performed in the engagement, unless a court having jurisdiction shall have determined in a final judgment that such loss, claim, damage, or liability resulted primarily from the willful misconduct or gross negligence of PM, or one of the PM Persons. This defense, indemnity and hold harmless obligation includes the obligation to reimburse PM and/or the PM Persons for any legal or other expenses incurred by PM or the PM Persons, as incurred, in connection with investigating or defending any such losses, claims, damages, or liabilities
- 18. Conflicts of Interest PM's engagement acceptance procedures include a check as to whether any conflicts of interest exist that would prevent acceptance of this engagement. No such conflicts have been identified. Client understands and acknowledges that PM may be engaged to provide professional services, now or in the future, unrelated to this engagement to parties whose interests may not be consistent with interests of Client.
- 19. Agreement Not to Influence Client and PM each agree that each respective organization and its employees will not endeavor to influence the other's employees to seek any employment or other contractual arrangement with it, during this engagement or for a period of one year after termination of the engagement. Client agrees that PM employees are not "contract for hire." PM may release Client from these restrictions if Client agrees to reimburse PM for its recruiting, training, and administrative investment in the applicable employee. In such event, the reimbursement amount shall be equal to two hundred hours of billings at the current hourly rate for the PM employee.
- 20. Force Majeure Neither party shall be deemed to be in breach of this Agreement as a result of any delays or non-performance directly or indirectly resulting from circumstances or causes beyond its reasonable control, including, without limitation, fire or other casualty, acts of God, war, other violence, epidemic, pandemic or other public health emergency or government mandated shut down (each individually a "Force Majeure Event"). A Force Majeure Event shall not excuse any payment obligation relating to fees or costs incurred prior to any such Force Majeure Event.
- 21. **Signatures** Any electronic signature transmitted through DocuSign or manual signature on this engagement letter transmitted by facsimile or by electronic mail in portable document format may be considered an original signature.
- 22. **Governing Law** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan, and jurisdiction over any action to enforce this Agreement, or any dispute arising from or relating to this Agreement shall reside exclusively within the State of Michigan.

End of Professional Services Agreement – Temporary Finance Assistance Services

