# DRAFT AGREEMENT FOR INTERNAL JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION CONSULTANT SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on August 18, 2021 by and between TOWN OF LOS GATOS, a California municipal corporation, ("Town") and ReadySet ("Consultant"), whose address is 4505 S. Slauson Avenue #205, Los Angeles, CA 90230 (headquarters) and 548 Market Street, PMB 98302, San Francisco, CA 94104 (mailing). This Agreement is made with reference to the following facts.

#### I. RECITALS

- 1.1 The Town desires to engage Consultant to provide internal Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) consultant services.
- 1.2 The Consultant represents and affirms that it is willing to perform the desired work pursuant to this Agreement.
- 1.3 Consultant warrants it possesses the distinct professional skills, qualifications, experience, and resources necessary to timely perform the services described in this Agreement.
   Consultant acknowledges Town has relied upon these warranties to retain Consultant.

#### II. AGREEMENTS

- 2.1 <u>Scope of Services</u>. Consultant shall provide services as described in that certain Proposal for Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Consultant Services sent to the Town on August 10, 2021, which is hereby incorporated by reference and attached as Exhibit A. Services include internal organizational assessment and roadmap development.
- 2.2 <u>Term and Time of Performance</u>. This contract will remain in effect from August 18, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Consultant shall perform the services described in this agreement as follows:

Phase I: Organizational Assessment: September – October 2021 Please II: Roadmap Development: November – December 2021

- 2.3 Compliance with Laws. The Consultant shall comply with all applicable laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations of governing federal, state and local laws. Consultant represents and warrants to Town that it has all licenses, permits, qualifications and approvals of whatsoever nature which are legally required for Consultant to practice its profession. Consultant shall maintain a Town of Los Gatos business license pursuant to Chapter 14 of the Code of the Town of Los Gatos.
- 2.4 <u>Sole Responsibility</u>. Consultant shall be responsible for employing or engaging all persons necessary to perform the services under this Agreement.

- 2.5 Information/Report Handling. All documents furnished to Consultant by the Town and all reports and supportive data prepared by the Consultant under this Agreement are the Town's property and shall be delivered to the Town upon the completion of Consultant's services or at the Town's written request. All reports, information, data, and exhibits prepared or assembled by Consultant in connection with the performance of its services pursuant to this Agreement are confidential until released by the Town to the public, and the Consultant shall not make any of the these documents or information available to any individual or organization not employed by the Consultant or the Town without the written consent of the Town before such release. The Town acknowledges that the reports to be prepared by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement are for the purpose of evaluating a defined project, and Town's use of the information contained in the reports prepared by the Consultant in connection with other projects shall be solely at Town's risk, unless Consultant expressly consents to such use in writing. Town further agrees that it will not appropriate any methodology or technique of Consultant which is and has been confirmed in writing by Consultant to be a trade secret of Consultant.
- 2.6 <u>Compensation</u>. Compensation for Consultant's professional services **shall not exceed \$50,000**, inclusive of all costs. Payment shall be based upon Town approval of each task.
- 2.7 <u>Billing</u>. Billing shall be monthly by invoice within thirty (30) days of the rendering of the service and shall be accompanied by a detailed explanation of the work performed by whom at what rate and on what date. Also, plans, specifications, documents or other pertinent materials shall be submitted for Town review, even if only in partial or draft form.

Payment shall be net thirty (30) days. All invoices and statements to the Town shall be addressed as follows:

Invoices:

Town of Los Gatos Attn: Accounts Payable P.O. Box 655 Los Gatos, CA 95031-0655

- 2.8 <u>Availability of Records</u>. Consultant shall maintain the records supporting this billing for not less than three years following completion of the work under this Agreement. Consultant shall make these records available to authorized personnel of the Town at the Consultant's offices during business hours upon written request of the Town.
- 2.9 <u>Assignability and Subcontracting</u>. The services to be performed under this Agreement are unique and personal to the Consultant. No portion of these services shall be assigned or subcontracted without the written consent of the Town.

- 2.10 Independent Contractor. It is understood that the Consultant, in the performance of the work and services agreed to be performed, shall act as and be an independent contractor and not an agent or employee of the Town. As an independent contractor he/she shall not obtain any rights to retirement benefits or other benefits which accrue to Town employee(s). With prior written consent, the Consultant may perform some obligations under this Agreement by subcontracting, but may not delegate ultimate responsibility for performance or assign or transfer interests under this Agreement. Consultant agrees to testify in any litigation brought regarding the subject of the work to be performed under this Agreement. Consultant shall be compensated for its costs and expenses in preparing for, traveling to, and testifying in such matters at its then current hourly rates of compensation, unless such litigation is brought by Consultant or is based on allegations of Consultant's negligent performance or wrongdoing.
- 2.11 Conflict of Interest. Consultant understands that its professional responsibilities are solely to the Town. The Consultant has and shall not obtain any holding or interest within the Town of Los Gatos. Consultant has no business holdings or agreements with any individual member of the Staff or management of the Town or its representatives nor shall it enter into any such holdings or agreements. In addition, Consultant warrants that it does not presently and shall not acquire any direct or indirect interest adverse to those of the Town in the subject of this Agreement, and it shall immediately disassociate itself from such an interest, should it discover it has done so and shall, at the Town's sole discretion, divest itself of such interest. Consultant shall not knowingly and shall take reasonable steps to ensure that it does not employ a person having such an interest in this performance of this Agreement. If after employment of a person, Consultant discovers it has employed a person with a direct or indirect interest that would conflict with its performance of this Agreement, Consultant shall promptly notify Town of this employment relationship, and shall, at the Town's sole discretion, sever any such employment relationship.
- 2.12 Equal Employment Opportunity. Consultant warrants that it is an equal opportunity employer and shall comply with applicable regulations governing equal employment opportunity. Neither Consultant nor its subcontractors do and neither shall discriminate against persons employed or seeking employment with them on the basis of age, sex, color, race, marital status, sexual orientation, ancestry, physical or mental disability, national origin, religion, or medical condition, unless based upon a bona fide occupational qualification pursuant to the California Fair Employment & Housing Act.

#### III. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

#### 3.1 Minimum Scope of Insurance:

i. Consultant agrees to have and maintain, for the duration of the contract, General Liability insurance policies insuring him/her and his/her firm to an amount not less than: one million dollars (\$1,000,000) combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage

- ii. Consultant shall provide to the Town all certificates of insurance, with original endorsements effecting coverage. Consultant agrees that all certificates and endorsements are to be received and approved by the Town before work commences.
- iii. Consultant agrees to have and maintain, for the duration of the contract, professional liability insurance in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 which is sufficient to insure Consultant for professional errors or omissions in the performance of the particular scope of work under this agreement.

#### General Liability:

- i. The Town, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers are to be covered as insured as respects: liability arising out of activities performed by or on behalf of the Consultant; products and completed operations of Consultant, premises owned or used by the Consultant. This requirement does not apply to the professional liability insurance required for professional errors and omissions.
- ii. The Consultant's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance as respects the Town, its officers, officials, employees and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurances maintained by the Town, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.
- iii. Any failure to comply with reporting provisions of the policies shall not affect coverage provided to the Town, its officers, officials, employees or volunteers.
- iv. The Consultant's insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom a claim is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability.
- 3.2 <u>All Coverages</u>. Each insurance policy required in this item shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be suspended, voided, cancelled, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, has been given to the Town. Current certification of such insurance shall be kept on file at all times during the term of this agreement with the Town Clerk.
- 3.3 <u>Workers' Compensation</u>. In addition to these policies, Consultant shall have and maintain Workers' Compensation insurance as required by California law and shall provide evidence of such policy to the Town before beginning services under this Agreement. Further,

- Consultant shall ensure that all subcontractors employed by Consultant provide the required Workers' Compensation insurance for their respective employees.
- 3.4 <u>Indemnification</u>. The Consultant shall save, keep, hold harmless and indemnify and defend the Town its officers, agent, employees and volunteers from all damages, liabilities, penalties, costs, or expenses in law or equity that may at any time arise or be set up because of damages to property or personal injury received by reason of, or in the course of performing work which may be occasioned by a willful or negligent act or omissions of the Consultant, or any of the Consultant's officers, employees, or agents or any subconsultant.

#### IV. GENERAL TERMS

- 4.1 <u>Waiver</u>. No failure on the part of either party to exercise any right or remedy hereunder shall operate as a waiver of any other right or remedy that party may have hereunder, nor does waiver of a breach or default under this Agreement constitute a continuing waiver of a subsequent breach of the same or any other provision of this Agreement.
- 4.2 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement, regardless of where executed, shall be governed by and construed to the laws of the State of California. Venue for any action regarding this Agreement shall be in the Superior Court of the County of Santa Clara.
- 4.3 <u>Termination of Agreement</u>. The Town and the Consultant shall have the right to terminate this agreement with or without cause by giving not less than fifteen days (15) written notice of termination. In the event of termination, the Consultant shall deliver to the Town all plans, files, documents, reports, performed to date by the Consultant. In the event of such termination, Town shall pay Consultant an amount that bears the same ratio to the maximum contract price as the work delivered to the Town bears to completed services contemplated under this Agreement, unless such termination is made for cause, in which event, compensation, if any, shall be adjusted in light of the particular facts and circumstances involved in such termination.
- 4.4 <u>Amendment</u>. No modification, waiver, mutual termination, or amendment of this Agreement is effective unless made in writing and signed by the Town and the Consultant.
- 4.5 <u>Disputes</u>. In any dispute over any aspect of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees, including costs of appeal.
- 4.6 <u>Notices</u>. Any notice required to be given shall be deemed to be duly and properly given if mailed postage prepaid, and addressed to:

Town of Los Gatos Attn: Town Clerk 110 E. Main Street Los Gatos, CA 95030 ReadySet 548 Market Street PMB 98302 San Francisco, CA 94104

or personally delivered to Consultant to such address or such other address as Consultant designates in writing to Town.

- 4.7 <u>Order of Precedence</u>. In the event of any conflict, contradiction, or ambiguity between the terms and conditions of this Agreement in respect of the Products or Services and any attachments to this Agreement, then the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall prevail over attachments or other writings.
- 4.8 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement, including all Exhibits, constitutes the complete and exclusive statement of the Agreement between the Town and Consultant. No terms, conditions, understandings or agreements purporting to modify or vary this Agreement, unless hereafter made in writing and signed by the party to be bound, shall be binding on either party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Town and Consultant have executed this Agreement.

Town of Los Gatos by:

Consultant, by:

Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager

Approved as to Form:

Robert Schultz, Town Attorney

Printed Name and Title

Attest:

Shelley Neis, MMC, CPMC
Town Clerk



# Request For Proposal (RFP)

for

JUSTICE, EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION CONSULTANT SERVICES

CONTACT INFORMATION Contact Person: Rachel Marcuse, Chief Operating Officer

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Los Angeles, CA 90230

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### **COVER LETTER**

### Purpose

The Town of Los Gatos (Town) is seeking proposals from qualified professional consultants (Proposers) to provide justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion (JEDI) consultant services. The Town intends to select a consultant to help expand and implement the 2021 work plan to inform how the Town can best approach JEDI goals both internally for the organization, and also externally with the broader community and through Town partnerships with local organizations. This document constitutes a proposal by ReadySet in response to the Request for Proposals for a Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Consultant, as a firm who can take the lead in the design, development, and implementation of these tasks.

# **ABOUT US**

#### Who Are We?

ReadySet is a high-touch boutique consulting firm specializing in making more human-centric, inclusive work environments for clients spanning across industries from tech, to nonprofits, to social change organizations. Our team leverages decades of academic and professional experience to bring you tailored, data-driven strategies and learning solutions.

# Our Philosophy

ReadySet is a values-based organization and our human centered values are embedded into all the work that we do. The work surrounding diversity, equity and inclusion can be challenging and complex, so we always lead with **empathy** and operate with a **growth mindset.** We aim to bring people and organizations along in their JEDI journey, while pushing them to grow. We also know that engaging with JEDI work is an iterative process that takes time and intention to be done well and sustainably, but we approach this challenge **enthusiastically** -- it is our calling. We find **creative** solutions for JEDI challenges through our high-touch, personalized process. Above all, we value **integrity.** With Los Gatos, our ultimate goal is to partner in developing the Town's approach to its JEDI goals through expanding and implementing elements of the 2021 work plan. In doing so, we aim to further the Town's mission of building an inclusive workplace internally and in supporting its broader community externally.

# Our Approach

While no one has perfected justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion (JEDI), we strive for better practices for our public sector clients through:

- <u>Tailored and Integrated Design</u> The government context is unique and for Los Gatos this is especially the case. A successful JEDI integration must then be strategically embedded across all parts of Los Gatos from internal practices to external programming.
- <u>Participatory and Consultative Approach</u> ReadySet also believes that a collaborative approach
  is most conducive for the successful implementation of JEDI work. Clients and stakeholders will
  be involved in all phases of our potential engagement.
- <u>Understanding Intersectionality</u> As a company founded and led by a woman of color with a
  background in social and civil justice work, we believe that JEDI approaches that leave people
  behind cannot truly be considered effective. We strive to incorporate our team's own diverse
  identities and perspectives into our work.
- <u>Emphasizing Data</u> To ensure we drive successful initiatives that are targeted and high impact, we ground our work in data collected during the assessment and best practice research to develop a baseline to benchmark our initiatives in the long term.
- <u>Building Capacity Using Adaptive Learning Methods</u> Our pedagogical approach utilizes a range
  of different types of learning with an emphasis on interaction. We build individuals' capacity
  through highly interactive and experiential learning. We emphasize practical application of tools
  that participants can immediately implement.

### **Our Experience**

Our seasoned network of consultants is composed of professionals with decades of experience organizing around justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion (JEDI) as well as a deep mastery in the areas of learning and development, strengths-based management, people policy, organizational development and sexual harassment prevention. Our incredibly diverse team also exists on the spectrum of identities and backgrounds; over half are women-identified, over half are People of Color and more than a third are LGBTQ+. In addition to identity aspects, we bring a breadth of experience in academia -- several of our consultants have PhDs in their respective subject areas -- and as practitioners in a multiplicity of industries, including non-profit and social impact organizations (Team Bios found in <u>Addendum</u> and <u>website</u>). Importantly, we are familiar with the nuances of community engagement in the government context, with specific experience in police reform.

# **REVIEW OF SCOPE OF SERVICES**

### Overview of Our Plan

The work that the Town of Los Gatos is doing to address justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion (JEDI) matters is commendable. Recognizing the value that a JEDI focused consultancy can bring to the Town demonstrates the priority and value placed on this endeavor and indicates the importance of the investment the Town has made in making significant progress towards its 2021 JEDI work plan. ReadySet

will collaborate with the Town to finalize a comprehensive scope of assessment services including their strategic development and tactical implementation -- with a focus on the internal staff team.

While the final Scope of Services will be determined by the Town, ReadySet's support may include the following:

- A comprehensive organizational assessment to achieve a deep understanding of the Town's
  current cultural context and specific needs, keeping in mind the Town's current JEDI plan, values,
  mission, and context. Activities may include: survey data analysis, comprehensive review of
  internal documents, and interviews with a diverse range of stakeholders to understand areas of
  concern as well as bright spots to build on.
- Advise and support on implementation of strategic activities and accountability mechanisms through measurable goals, objectives, and metrics.
- Develop a comprehensive and tailored training curriculum aligned with JEDI strategies and goals.
   The information gathered during the customized assessment will inform tailoring of learning and development sessions.

# **Proposed Activities**

As part of this engagement, we propose the following activities:

# **#1 Organizational Assessment & Needs-Gap Analysis**

We will conduct a comprehensive organizational assessment to achieve a deep understanding of the Town of Los Gatos current cultural context, leadership vision, and specific needs, keeping in mind their values, mission, context. Given the extensive work done prior to our potential partnership, we will be in a strong position to support a plan that is already in progress. The data collected during the assessment will identify any potential gaps of how JEDI fits into and informs organizational processes and other related policies. From that point, we will provide a baseline from which to measure success, as well as incorporating community perceptions and fluency around JEDI with a focus on the internal staff team.

Scope	Work Process
<b>Goal</b> : To establish a baseline understanding of opportunities and areas of growth in the Town's current operating context, culture and 2021 JEDI Strategic plan.	Survey design and implementation (3-4 weeks)
Activities will include:	

- <u>Survey Analysis</u> -- ReadySet will work collaboratively with the Town to design a JEDI/engagement survey -- ReadySet highly recommends contracting with a third party survey provider.
- Policy Review ReadySet will review pertinent written materials related to Town's JEDI infrastructure and culture, people processes (i.e., practices from recruitment → offboarding), and internal and external communication.
- Qualitative Assessment Conduct independent interviews and focus groups, to obtain additional feedback and provide qualitative assessment of DEI within the staff group.
- <u>Findings Analysis & Presentation:</u> The data collected will be analyzed to ascertain alignment with best practices, target focus areas and assign priorities/ next steps.

Data Analysis of current documents (2-3 weeks)

1:1 Stakeholder interviews and focus groups (8 -10 participants per focus group)

Analysis and synthesis of quantitative and qualitative data sources

#### **Deliverables:**

- Data visualization (graphs) and insights for Findings Document
- Findings &
   Recommendations Deck
- 90-minute report out to leadership

# **#2 Roadmap Development**

After examining the Town's organizational context and practices, we will move into the strategy phase of the engagement. We will work in close collaboration with the Town's Leadership Team to develop a holistic, integrated strategy that will support and further strengthen the Town's long-term internal organizational development around diversity, equity and inclusion.

Scope Work Process

**Goal**: To develop an actionable roadmap to support the Town in actioning on their 2021 JEDI Strategy in alignment with the findings & recommendations from assessment and needs-gap analysis.

Activities will include:

- <u>Strategic Alignment Sessions:</u> A series of executive sessions
  facilitated by ReadySet to drive strategic next steps. During these
  discussion(s), leaders will be encouraged to provide feedback on
  the data gathered and trends observed, share personal
  experiences and priorities related to JEDI and consider how
  these recommendations align with high-level goals for the
  organization in the 2021 JEDI plan.
- Roadmap Development: Bank of advisory hours for roadmap development /implementation of the 2021 JEDI Strategy. These hours can be used for developing timelines and building metrics to measure success and accountability. ReadySet will advise and offer direct support on key activities and initiatives as necessary.

1x Kick Of Meeting

3x Executive Sessions

Bank of 20 hours available ad hoc for roadmap development including metrics/timeline/benchmark ing

#### **Deliverables:**

- 3X Executive Sessions
- ReadySet will support on the strategic plan itself but not be responsible for delivering it

# **Proposed Timeline and Budget**

The estimated completion dates and budget for the proposed activities is as follows and incorporates our non-profit discount. The estimated completion dates and fee schedule for the proposed activities is as follows and incorporates our non-profit discount. Please note that these dates and prices will be finalized as part of scoping and contracting conversations. This is only a sample schedule. Our team is available to start in September, 2021.

Phase 1: Organizational Assessment			
Work Process	Staffing/Hours	Timeline	Pricing
Survey Analysis and Document Review	Co-design of JEDI survey and ReadySet People Science team data analysis (up to 15 hours)  Document Review (up to 15 hours)		
Interviews and Focus Groups	Up to 35 hours for up to 1:1 interviews and focus groups, includes additional hours for coordination and project management. Aim to talk to 25 - 50 people through 1:1s and Focus Groups (up to 30 hours)	September/ October	
	Review and synthesis of findings (up to 30 hours)		
FIndings Synthesis	One 90-minute report-back to Task Force and/or Leadership (optional report back to full staff team \$2,000 not scoped)		
	Phase #1 Total:		\$36,000

Phase 2: Roadmap Development			
Work Process	Staffing/Hours	Timeline	Pricing

Strategic Planning Sessions  Roadmap Development	Three (3) 90-minute collaborative working sessions  Advisory on strategic plan/roadmap and/or metrics (up to 15 hours)	November/ December	\$9,000 for 3 working sessions  Up to 15 hours at a discounted price
	Phase #2 Total:		\$14,000

### **Cost Structure**

Compensation will be billed at the rates elaborated in the budget above. Typically, we expect the only expenses for our engagement to be travel-related to account for on-site assessments, presentation of deliverables and training sessions, However, we expect to use video/phone calls for many if not all elements of the engagement given our current public health climate.

ReadySet uses the GSA guidelines for expense reimbursements which will be passed through to the client on monthly invoices.

### **EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE**

# Qualifications

ReadySet's past and present client roster spans the gamut of professional arenas. Our recent work has included multiple non-profit, public sector and government entities at all sizes, including large-scale, long-term engagements. We are also specifically adept to the unique needs of these types of organizations in the State of California due to multiple past engagements. Our high-touch, highly tailored approach allows our consultants to readily adapt to the unique structural needs and goals of government client work. We are especially sensitive to the nature of confidentiality and legal needs in these institutions and the impact this work can make on both institutional employees as well as the constituent communities these institutions serve.

Our collective team has deep, diversified experience in public policy, social justice and community engagement. Our CEO and founder, Y-Vonne Hutchinson, comes from a background in human rights law where she worked on law and policing reform at an international scale in countries such as Thailand and Afghanistan. She has also co-founded the Black Tech for Black Lives group in Oakland, which focused on issues of police reform in the Oakland area. She, along with additional consultants, have extensive experience developing spaces for conversation and actionable change between government and grassroots community organizations.

As ReadySet has grown, we have honed our ability to advise on community engagements and external public programming from varying and wide-spanning perspectives, using holistic, tailored, evidence-based approaches. Most recently, we began a far-reaching engagement with the California State Assembly, evaluating JEDI needs and concerns, strategizing for the future potential of this branch of state government and embedding into the fabric of the institution to actively implement said strategies in tandem with government leaders. Additionally, we have a strong past of interfacing and strategizing with government-adjacent and public service organizations of all sizes and at all stages of their JEDI journeys including the California Food Bank, NextGen America, Code For America and Mercy Housing. We pride ourselves on learning and growing along with each client as we explore the JEDI opportunities that exist within their organizations as well as identifying larger patterns in each sector to apply to future work.

#### Team and Resources

ReadySet currently works with thirty consultants and facilitators who, based on their particular area of expertise, are able to lead and/or support any aspect of the work needed by the Town of Los Gatos.

Detailed bios can be found in our <u>Team page</u> or in the Addendum.

#### References

Due to ReadySet's strict confidentiality policies, we are unable to share details of services or contract amounts for past or current clients.

1. NextGen America		
Keith Yetter	Chief Operating Officer	
keith.yetter@nextgenamerica.org	+1 (805) 748-4856	
July-November, 2020	Address	

**Summary of Activities:** ERG design, DEI Council development, executive coaching and tailored trainings for leaders, employee trainings at all levels, HR and communications initiatives

2. Mercy Housing		
Jennifer Covert	Director of Mission Education and Values Integration	
jcovert@mercyhousing.org	+1 (303)-830-3485	
Contract Period	1600 Broadway, Denver, CO 80202	
Summary of Activities: Highly tailored workshops for wide-spanning and more targeted groups, DEI strategy and solution implementation, additional advisory		
3. University of California San Francisco		
Jyothi Marbin	Director of the Pediatrics Leadership Program for the Underserved	
jyothi.marbin@gmail.com	(510) 642-5482	
February-November, 2020	505 Parnassus Ave, San Francisco, CA 94143	

# OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE WORK

### **Notable Considerations**

For clarity, we believe it is also important to lay out what ReadySet will not be working on as part of this engagement. We will not be providing the following:

- **Employment law;** while we are well-versed in national employment law issues and have lawyers on our team, we will not be serving as outside counsel.
- Administration and coordination; while we will work with the organization on scheduling and coordination as related to our work as part of the billable hours or any other micro administration better handled in-house by the Town itself.

# **Project Management and Support**

The Town's point of contact through the RFP process will be Rachel Marcuse at inbound@thereadyset.co. After contracting, the Town will be coordinating with the assigned project lead and consultant(s) directly.

At ReadySet, we pride ourselves on our responsiveness. We expect to be available on the same day for urgent issues, within 24 hours for time sensitive issues and within 72 hours for other email or phone correspondence. Some of our consultants are with us part time so we ask for your flexibility with scheduling.

### **NEXT STEPS**

We hope this proposal addresses your needs. We look forward to talking through this proposal with you in more detail and incorporating your thoughts and clarifications. If we decide to move forward, we will follow-up with our standard services agreement. Please reach out to your point of contact, Chief Operating Officer, Rachel Marcuse, with questions or further details.