

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, MADE THIS , 2024 BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY, TEXAS, hereinafter referred to as Client (“Client”), and GRANTWORKS, INC., Austin, Texas, hereinafter referred to as Consultant (“Consultant”), procured in conformance with Texas Government Code Chapter 2254, Subchapter A, “Professional Services”.

PART I – GENERAL CONDITIONS

I. SCOPE OF BASIC SERVICES

Consultant agrees to render administration services for Client’s American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”) award (the “Contract”), as administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury (the “Department”), as provided in the provisions titled, "Part III, Scope of Basic Services" and attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein (the “Services”).

II. COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

For and in consideration of the foregoing, Client agrees to pay Consultant a firm fixed price of Eighteen Thousand Five Hundred and no/100 Dollars, (\$18,500.00) in accordance with the following schedule for the funds. Listing of specific milestones shall not be construed as a representation or warranty, and Consultant makes no representations or warranties, that these milestones measure overall contract progress facilitated by the Consultant’s performance of the services, and any particular milestone will be achieved or that any specific Department or other requirements ultimately will be met. The fee schedule shall be based upon identified contract milestones with regards to the funds, as follows:

Milestone	Percent	Billable Amount	Project Deliverable
Project selection complete & policies/procedure and/or implementation strategy established	25%	\$4,625.00	Invoiced at the earlier of: Project selection completed or 1/1/25
50% of allocated funds expended	25%	\$4,625.00	Invoiced at the earlier of: 50% of allocated funds expended or 4/1/25
75% of allocated funds expended	25%	\$4,625.00	Invoiced at the earlier of: 75% of allocated funds expended or 7/1/25
Transfer of all close-out docs	25%	\$4,625.00	All reports filed with IDEM/ USDT, all docs and records transferred. Closeout meeting complete
Total of all milestones	100%	\$18,500.00	

Note: Administrative Activities include General Administration, Financial Management, Basic Acquisition, and Construction Phase Management services as referenced in Part III—Scope of ARPA Administration Services.

III. ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Section II above discusses compensation for the administration of ARPA direct allocation under Subtitle M section 603 of the American Rescue Plan Act. Rates and/or Fee for application, administration, or management of activities funded under other provisions of the ARP Act will be negotiated and provided as an addendum to this contract.

Fees for any professional services required to carry out project-related activities that must be furnished by a third-party professional including but not limited to accountant, appraiser, archaeologist, architect, attorney, auditor, biologist or other natural scientist, engineer, historic preservationist, or surveyor, shall be in addition to the base fee payable to Consultant specified in Section II. Expenditures for such services shall require prior approval by Client.

IV. CHANGES AND AMENDMENTS

The Client may, from time to time, request changes in the scope of services of the consultant to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of the Consultant's compensation, must be mutually agreed upon by and between the Client and the Consultant and shall be incorporated in written amendments to this Agreement. If a change is requested but the parties cannot agree on the specific terms of such change, the parties may mutually agree to terminate this Agreement. Absent such agreement to terminate, the Agreement will continue without the change.

V. ASSIGNABILITY

Neither party shall assign any interest in this Agreement or transfer any interest in the same, without the prior written consent of the other party, not to be unreasonably withheld, provided, however, that claims for money by the Consultant from the Client under this Agreement may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such approval. Written notice of any such assignment or transfer shall be furnished reasonably promptly to the Client.

VI. RECORDS AND AUDITS

During the term of this Agreement, the Consultant shall assist the Client in maintaining fiscal records and supporting documentation for all expenditures of funds made under the Contract. Such records must include data on racial, ethnic, and gender characteristics of persons who are applicants for, participants in, or beneficiaries of the funds provided under the Contract. Client shall retain such records, and any supporting documentation, for the greater of three (3) years from closeout of the Contract or the period required by other applicable laws and regulations.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- A. Governing Law and Venue.** This Agreement shall be governed and construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, without regard to the conflicts of law provisions. The venue of any suit arising under the contract is fixed in any court of competent jurisdiction of Travis County, Texas, unless the specific venue is otherwise identified in a statute which directly names or otherwise identifies its applicability to the Client.
- B. Binding Effect; No Third-Party Beneficiaries.** This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of, be binding upon, and be enforceable against, each Party and their respective successors, assigns, transferees and delegates.
- C. Severability.** If any provision of this Agreement is construed to be illegal or invalid, such construction will not affect the legality or validity of any of its other provisions. The illegal or invalid provision will be deemed severable and stricken from the contract as if it had never been incorporated herein, but all other provisions will continue in full force and effect.
- D. Attorneys' Fees.** If any action at law or in equity is necessary to enforce or interpret the terms of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and necessary disbursement in addition to any other relief to which such party may be entitled.
- E. Provision of Information.** It is agreed that all information, data, reports and records and maps as are existing, available, and necessary for the carrying out of the work outlined in this Agreement shall be furnished to the Consultant by the Client and its agencies. No charge will be made to Consultant for such information and the Client, and its agencies will cooperate with Consultant in every way possible to facilitate the performance of the work described in this Agreement.
- F. Local Program Liaison.** For purposes of this Contract, the Client shall designate an authorized person to serve as the Local Program Liaison and primary point of contact to the Consultant. All required progress reports and communication regarding the project shall be directed to this liaison and other local personnel as appropriate.

- G. Waiver of Consequential Damages.** Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary herein, neither party shall be liable to the other for any indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages or loss of profits, anticipated or otherwise, or loss of revenues in connection with or arising out of, or in connection with, the subject matter of this Agreement.
- H. Limitation of Liability.** Each party agrees that, regardless of the type, nature or number of causes of action or claims by the Client (including without limitation claims for indemnity under this Agreement) or any third party claiming by, through or under the Client, the maximum amount of damages, individually or in the aggregate, that either party will be liable for or can be required to pay to the other or any other claimant is the amount of fees to be paid to the Consultant by the Client under this Agreement. The parties agree that this limitation of damages is reasonable and acknowledge that but for this limitation, neither party would enter into this Agreement.
- I. Entire Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement of the parties with regard to contemporaneous understandings or written or oral agreements between the parties respecting the subject matter of this Agreement.
- J. Negotiated Terms.** The parties agree that the terms and conditions of this Agreement are the result of negotiations between the parties and that this Agreement shall not be construed in favor of or against either party by reason of the extent to which such party or its professional advisors participated in the preparation of this Agreement.
- K. Ownership of Work and Copyright.** The parties agree that the Consultant retains all ownership rights to forms, reports, and other documents produced in whole or in part under this Agreement until such documents are completed as contemplated under this Agreement and placed in the official Contract record or submitted as final documents to the Client or the Department. Consultant shall retain all ownership rights to templates, internal tracking systems, and other documents produced by Consultant that have a common use applicable to multiple clients and are not produced specifically for the Client under this Agreement. No report, maps, or other documents produced in whole or in part under this Agreement shall be the subject of an application for copyright by or on behalf of the Consultant.
- L. Remedies, Alternative Dispute Resolution, and Program Non-Compliance.** The parties hereto agree to resolve all disputes arising hereunder in accordance with this section. If a dispute arises out of or relates to this Agreement or any alleged breach hereof, including determination of responsibility for any costs disallowed as a result of non-compliance with federal, state or ARPA program requirements, the party desiring to resolve such dispute shall deliver a written notice of the dispute, including the specific claim in the dispute to the other party. Following the delivery of such notice, the parties involved in the dispute shall meet at least twice within the thirty (30) day period commencing with the date of the notice and in good faith shall attempt to resolve such dispute through negotiation. If any dispute is not resolved or settled by the parties as a result of such negotiation, the parties in good faith shall submit the dispute to non-binding mediation before a retired judge of a federal district court or Texas district court or a similarly qualified, mutually agreeable individual in Austin, Texas. The parties shall bear the costs of such mediation equally. If the dispute is not resolved through such mediation, either party may proceed to file suit.
- M. Force Majeure.** A “Force Majeure Event” means any event or cause beyond a party’s reasonable control (including without limitation, construction delays, fire, flood, rain, weather, casualty, explosions, damage by third parties whether negligently or intentionally caused, strikes, work stoppages, picketing, acts of God or other casualties, or the laws or actions of any governmental authority), as a result of which at any time a party is unable to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement. If a Force Majeure Event occurs during the term of this Agreement that prevents the Consultant from performing its obligations hereunder, the Consultant and the Client will in good faith mutually agree on one of the following alternatives: (1) extend the time for performance, or (2) terminate this Agreement and, as mutually agreed, cause the payment to Consultant of fees not yet paid for services performed prior to the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event or cause the refund to Client of fees previously paid for services that were not performed prior to the occurrence of the Force Majeure Event.

- N.** GrantWorks recognizes and follows COVID- 19 guidance, recommendations and advice as set forth by the Texas Department of State Health Services, and the United States Center for Disease Control. Current guidelines for private, public, and nonprofit sectors are available at dshs.tex.gov/coronavirus and cdc.gov/coronavirus. GrantWorks will continue to prioritize the health and safety of employees, clients, vendors, and other stakeholders by encouraging the use of appropriate and recognized public health mitigating measures, such as mask wearing and social distancing, and by offering virtual meeting and work options throughout the life of the contract. GrantWorks aims to be sensitive to the individual needs of each community whilst recognizing the challenges posed by the pandemic.

PART II - TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. USE OF FUNDS.** a. Recipient understands and agrees that the of funds disbursed under this award may only be used in compliance with section 603(c) of the Social Security Act (the “Act”), Treasury’s regulations implementing that section, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing; b. Recipient will determine prior to engaging in any project using this assistance that it has the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of such project.
- 2. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE.** The time of services of the Consultant shall commence no earlier than the date of this agreement. In any event, Consultant shall use commercially reasonable efforts to perform all services required and performed hereunder within either December 31, 2026, or the completion date of this program, whichever is sooner. Consultant shall issue and provide a copy of a Consultant’s Certificate of Program Completion to the Client when the consultant is notified that Client has accepted the program.
- 3. REPORTING.** Recipient agrees to comply with any reporting obligations established by the Treasury as they relate to this award.
- 4. ACCESS TO RECORDS.** In accordance with 2 CFR 200.337, during the Agreement’s time of performance the grantee, the subgrantee, the Federal grantor agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives will have access to any books, documents, papers, and records maintained by the Consultant which are directly pertinent to the Contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- 5. PRE-AWARD COSTS.** Pre-award costs, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.458, may not be paid with funding from this award.
- 6. ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.** Recipient may use funds provided under this award to cover both direct and indirect costs.
- 7. COST SHARING.** Cost sharing or matching the of funds are not required to be provided by the Recipient.
- 8. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.** Recipient understands and agrees it must maintain a conflict-of-interest policy consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c) and that such conflict-of-interest policy is applicable to each activity funded under this award. Recipient and subrecipients must disclose in writing to the Treasury or the pass-through entity, as appropriate, any potential conflict of interest affecting the awarded funds in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.112.
- 9. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS.** a. Recipient agrees to comply with the requirements of section 603 of the Act, regulations adopted by Treasury pursuant to section 603(f) of the Act, and guidance issued by Treasury regarding the foregoing. Recipient also agrees to comply with all other applicable federal statutes, regulations, and executive orders, and Recipient shall provide for such compliance by other parties in any agreements it enters into with other parties relating to this award. b. Federal regulations applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following: i. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, other than such provisions as Treasury may determine, are inapplicable to this Award and subject to such exceptions as may be otherwise provided by Treasury. Subpart F – Audit Requirements of the Uniform Guidance, implementing the Single Audit Act, shall apply to this award. ii. Universal Identifier and System for Award Management (SAM), 2 C.F.R. Part 25, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 25 is hereby incorporated by reference. iii. Reporting Subaward and

Executive Compensation Information, 2 C.F.R. Part 170, pursuant to which the award term set forth in Appendix A to 2 C.F.R. Part 170 is hereby incorporated by reference. iv. OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement), 2 C.F.R. Part 180, including the requirement to include a term or condition in all lower tier covered transactions (contracts and subcontracts described in 2 C.F.R. Part 180, subpart B) that the award is subject to 2 C.F.R. Part 180 and Treasury's implementing regulation at 31 C.F.R. Part 19. v. Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters, pursuant to which the award term set forth in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII to Part 200 is hereby incorporated by reference. vi. Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace, 31 C.F.R. Part 20. vii. New Restrictions on Lobbying, 31 C.F.R. Part 21. viii. Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisitions Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§ 4601-4655) and implementing regulations. ix. Generally applicable federal environmental laws and regulations. c. Statutes and regulations prohibiting discrimination applicable to this award include, without limitation, the following: i. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.) and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 22, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; ii. The Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§ 3601 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, or disability; iii. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance; iv. The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101 et seq.), and Treasury's implementing regulations at 31 C.F.R. Part 23, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance; and v. Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability under programs, activities, and services provided or made available by state and local governments or instrumentalities or agencies thereto.

- 10. REMEDIAL ACTIONS.** In the event of Recipient's noncompliance with section 603 of the Act, other applicable laws, Treasury's implementing regulations, guidance, or any reporting or other program requirements, Treasury may impose additional conditions on the receipt of a subsequent tranche of future award funds, if any, or take other available remedies as set forth in 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. In the case of a violation of section 603(c) of the Act regarding the use of the funds, previous payments shall be subject to recoupment as provided in section 603(e) of the Act.
- 11. HATCH ACT.** Recipient agrees to comply, as applicable, with requirements of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§ 1501-1508 and 7324-7328), which limit certain political activities of State or local government employees whose principal employment is in connection with an activity financed in whole or in part by this federal assistance.
- 12. FALSE STATEMENTS.** Recipient understands that making false statements or claims in connection with this award is a violation of federal law and may result in criminal, civil, or administrative sanctions, including fines, imprisonment, civil damages and penalties, debarment from participating in federal awards or contracts, and/or any other remedy available by law.
- 13. PUBLICATIONS.** Any publications produced with funds from this award must display the following language: "This project [is being] [was] supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number [enter project FAIN] awarded to [name of Recipient] by the U.S. Department of the Treasury."
- 14. DEBTS OWED THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.** a. Any funds paid to Recipient (1) in excess of the amount to which Recipient is finally determined to be authorized to retain under the terms of this award; (2) that are determined by the Treasury Office of Inspector General to have been misused; or (3) that are determined by Treasury to be subject to a repayment obligation pursuant to section 603(e) of the Act and have not been repaid by Recipient shall constitute a debt to the federal government. b. Any debts determined to be owed the federal government must be paid promptly by Recipient. A debt is delinquent if it has not been paid by the date specified in Treasury's initial written demand for payment, unless other satisfactory arrangements have been made or if the Recipient knowingly or improperly retains funds that are a debt as defined in paragraph 14(a). The Treasury will take any actions available to it to collect such a debt.

- 15. DISCLAIMER.** a. The United States expressly disclaims any and all responsibility or liability to Recipient or third persons for the actions of Recipient or third persons resulting in death, bodily injury, property damages, or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any other losses resulting in any way from the performance of this award or any contract, or subcontract under this award. b. The acceptance of this award by Recipient does not in any way establish an agency relationship between the United States and Recipient.
- 16. PROTECTIONS FOR WHISTLEBLOWERS.** a. In accordance with 41 U.S.C. § 4712, Recipient may not discharge, demote, or otherwise discriminate against an employee in reprisal for disclosing to any of the list of persons or entities provided below, information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of gross mismanagement of a federal contract or grant, a gross waste of federal funds, an abuse of authority relating to a federal contract or grant, a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety, or a violation of law, rule, or regulation related to a federal contract (including the competition for or negotiation of a contract) or grant. b. The list of persons and entities referenced in the paragraph above includes the following: i. A member of Congress or a representative of a committee of Congress; ii. An Inspector General; iii. The Government Accountability Office; iv. A Treasury employee responsible for contract or grant oversight or management; v. An authorized official of the Department of Justice or other law enforcement agency; vi. A court or grand jury; or vii. A management official or other employee of Recipient, contractor, or subcontractor who has the responsibility to investigate, discover, or address misconduct. c. Recipient shall inform its employees in writing of the rights and remedies provided under this section, in the predominant native language of the workforce.
- 17. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR CAUSE.** In accordance with 2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (B), if the Consultant shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner his/her obligations under this Agreement, or if the Consultant shall violate any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Agreement, the Client shall provide written notice to Consultant reasonably specifying the failure or violation. If Consultant fails to cure such failure or violation within five (5) business days of receiving such notice or, if the failure or violation is incapable of cure within such time frame, to begin to take actions to cure such failure or violation and to diligently pursue them to completion, Client thereupon shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately by giving written notice to the Consultant. Consultant shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any work satisfactorily completed hereunder. In such event, all finished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports prepared by the Consultant under this Agreement shall, at the option of the Client, become its property.
- 18. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT FOR CONVENIENCE.** Either the Client or the Consultant may terminate this Agreement at any time by providing at least ten (10) day notice in writing to the other party to this Agreement. If the Agreement is terminated as provided herein, the Consultant will be paid for the time provided and expenses incurred up to the termination date. In such event, all finished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports prepared by the Consultant under this Agreement shall, at the option of the Client, become its property.
- 19. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION (EXECUTIVE ORDERS 12549 AND 12689, 2 CFR part 180).** The Consultant certifies, by entering into this Agreement, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federally assisted programs under Executive Orders 12549 (1986) and 12689 (1989). The term "principal" for purposes of this Agreement is defined as an officer, director, owner, partner, key employee, or other person with primary management or supervisory responsibilities, or a person who has a critical influence on or substantive control over the operations of the Consultant. The Consultant understands that it must not make any award or permit any award (or contract) at any tier to any party which is debarred or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension."

- 20. FEDERAL COMPLIANCE.** During the term of this Agreement, the parties shall comply with all Federal laws, regulations, and rules including the following:
- a. CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964.** Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.
 - b. Section 504 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.** The Consultant agrees that no otherwise qualified individual with disabilities shall, solely by reason of his/her disability, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination, including discrimination in employment, under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
 - c. AGE DISCRIMINATION ACT OF 1975.** The Consultant shall comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 which provides that no person in the United States shall on the basis of age be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
 - d. SECTIONS 106(b), 102(a)(4) and A109 OF THE HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974.** Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, no person shall on the ground of race, color, religion, national origin or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity funded in whole or in part with the funds made available under this Title.
 - e. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE.** During the performance of this Agreement, the Consultant agrees as follows:
 - i.** The Consultant will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The Consultant will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Consultant agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - ii.** The Consultant will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Consultant, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.
 - iii.** The Consultant will not discourage or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the Consultant's legal duty to furnish information.
 - iv.** The Consultant will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Consultant's commitments under this section and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
 - v.** The Consultant will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, "Equal Employment Opportunity," and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

- vi.* The Consultant will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.
- vii.* In the event of the Consultant's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the Consultant may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.
- viii.* The Consultant will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (i) and the provisions of paragraphs (i) through (vii) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Consultant will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event a Consultant becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the Consultant may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

21. CONTRACTING WITH SMALL AND MINORITY BUSINESSES, WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, AND LABOR SURPLUS AREA FIRMS.

- a.* The Consultant must take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.
- b.* Affirmative steps must include:
 - i.* Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;
 - ii.* Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;
 - iii.* Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
 - iv.* Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;
 - v.* Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce; and
 - vi.* Requiring the prime contractor, if subcontracts are to be let, to take the affirmative steps listed in paragraphs (1) through (5) of this section.

22. PATENT RIGHTS AND INVENTIONS. The Consultant shall comply with the requirements and regulations pertaining to patent rights with respect to any discovery or invention which arises or is developed in the course of or under such contract. (2 CFR 200 Appendix II (f) and Rights to Inventions in 37 CFR Part 401).

23. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT. If the Federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency. (2 CFR 200 Appendix II (B))

- 24. ENERGY EFFICIENCY.** The Consultant shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94A 163, 89 Stat. 871). (2 CFR 200 APPENDIX II (H) and 42 U.S.C. 6201).
- 25. VERIFICATION NO BOYCOTT ISRAEL.** As required by Chapter 2271.002, Texas Government Code, the Consultant hereby verifies that it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel through the term of this Agreement. For purposes of this verification, "boycott Israel", as defined by §808.001(1) of the Texas Government Code, means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.
- 26. NO FOREIGN TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.** Pursuant to Chapter 2252.152, Texas Government Code, the Consultant represents and certifies that, at the time of execution of this Agreement neither the Consultant, nor any wholly owned subsidiary, majority-owned subsidiary, parent company or affiliate of the same (i) engages in business with Iran, Sudan, or any foreign terrorist organization as described in Chapters 806 or 807 of the Texas Government Code, or Subchapter F of Chapter 2252 of the Texas Government Code, or (ii) is a company listed by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts under Sections 806.051, 807.051, or 2252.153 of the Texas Government Code. The term "foreign terrorist organization" in this paragraph has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2252.151 of the Texas Government Code.

PART III - SCOPE OF BASIC SERVICES

Depending on the selected project(s) for the first of funds, some provisions may not apply. The type(s) of project(s) selected will determine the type(s) of service(s) necessary to implement the project(s) associated with the funds. See below for project types.

A. Projects with Beneficiaries including Households, Non-profits, Businesses, and Industries:

1. Identify the need for this program.
2. Project planning, design, and startup: Assist recipient with procuring necessary vendors as needed.
3. Intake meetings: Advertise, schedule, and conduct intake with interested potential beneficiaries. During intake meetings case managers will collect all available documentation necessary to determine eligibility.
4. Eligibility verification: Management staff will review all intake documentation and verify eligibility; If applicable, verify duplicative benefits (DOB); Maintain recipient data in a secure system and comply with all record-keeping requirements: Assistance package generation and approval; Review change requests and all required documentation related to any change requests; and Final Documentation of recipients: File, audit, and closeout; and Complete final audit to ensure all procedures were properly followed.

B. Premium Pay to Eligible Workers and Eligible Employers:

1. Identify the need for this program.
2. Project planning, design, and startup.
3. Advertise, schedule, and conduct intake with interested potential eligible employers: During intake meetings case managers will collect all available documentation necessary to determine eligibility.
4. Eligibility verification: Management staff will review all intake documentation and verify eligibility; If applicable, verify duplicative benefits (DOB); and Maintain recipient data in a secure system and comply with all record-keeping requirements.
5. Assistance package generation and approval.
6. Review change requests and all required documentation related to any change requests.
7. Final Documentation of recipients: File, audit, and closeout; and Complete final audit to ensure all procedures were properly followed.

C. Reconciliation of Revenue Reductions:

1. Identify the need for this program.
2. Project planning, design, and startup.
3. Calculate revenue loss in accordance with Department of Treasury guidance.
4. Review change requests and all required documentation related to any change requests.
5. Final Documentation of recipients.
6. File, audit, and closeout.
7. Complete final audit to ensure all procedures were properly followed.

D. Necessary Water, Sewer, or Broadband Infrastructure:

1. Identify the need for this program.
2. Project planning, design, and startup: Assist recipient with procuring necessary vendors as needed.
3. Assist with developing contract/bid packages that meet ARP program requirements.
4. Assist with monitoring and reporting contractor's performance.
5. Receive, review, recommend, and process any change orders as appropriate to the individual projects.
6. Assist the recipient with vendor Draws/Close Out.
7. Compile and review for completeness contract/closeout packages that meet ARP program requirements.
8. Labor Standards duties (as required): Monitor compliance with all relevant labor standards regulations; and Maintain document files to support compliance.
9. Environmental Services: Review each project description to ascertain and/or verify the level of environmental review requirements; Prepare, complete, and submit required forms for environmental review and provide all documentation to support environmental findings; Consult and coordinate with oversight/regulatory agencies to facilitate environmental clearance; and Reporting.
10. Acquisition Duties: Submit acquisition reports and related documents; Establish acquisition files (if necessary); and Complete acquisition activities (if necessary).

E. General Administration

1. Provide general advice to the Client and its staff with respect to the implementation of the project and regulatory matters.
2. Furnish forms, policies, and procedures for implementation of the project.
3. Provide technical assistance to Client personnel who will be directly involved in the program for routine tasks, using the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA") - Project Implementation Guidelines.
4. Assist Client in developing a record keeping system consistent with program guidelines, including the establishment and maintenance of program files.
5. Serve as liaison for the Client during normal monitoring visits by staff representatives from either the U.S. Department of Treasury ("USDT") or the state agency that oversees ARPA.
6. Prepare and submit to Department Client's required Periodic Progress Reports.
7. Assist Client in meeting 2 C.F.R. 200, Uniform Relocation Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended and other applicable requirements as may be required for participation in the ARPA program.
8. Assist Client in preparing Contract and/or Program Amendments and Modifications along with related documentation, public hearings, and notices as requested by Client.
9. Other general administration tasks not listed here that are requested by Client and agreed to in writing by Consultant.

F. Financial Management

1. Assist Client in establishing and maintaining a Direct Deposit account and/or separate local bank account, journals and ledgers.
2. Assist Client in submitting the Direct Deposit Authorization Form and/or Depository/Authorized Signatory form to Department.

3. Assist Client in preparation of drawdown requests from Department and disbursements of funds within the allotted time period.

G. Environmental Review

1. Assist Client in preparing environmental documents as necessary. Each ARP funded project shall, if applicable, be assessed to determine whether and/or to what extent environmental reviews may be required by local or state law. Consultant may assist in completing required environmental reviews once an assessment is completed.

H. Audit/Close-out Procedures

1. Prepare final Reports, including any General Report, Financial Reports and Completion Reports, as required.
2. Assist Client in responding to any monitoring and audit findings and resolving any third-party claims.

Additional General Terms Regarding Third-Party Services

Some services will be performed by third-party service providers. See Section III of this Agreement regarding special services outside the scope of work.

Assistance by Consultant with (1) verification of equipment suppliers or other service contractors, (2) selection of bid award winners, or (3) any other activity relating to contractors, subcontractors, bid award winners or any other third party not directly engaged through a written agreement with Consultant to provide services required to be provided by Consultant under this Agreement (collectively "Third Parties") is not intended to be and shall not be construed as an endorsement, representation or warranty by Consultant of any kind relating to such Third Party Service Providers or of the quality of such Third Parties work, and all such endorsements, representations or warranties hereby are expressly disclaimed.

Assistance by Consultant with the fulfillment of any requirements imposed by Third Parties, governmental or otherwise, shall not be construed as a representation or warranty, and Consultant makes no representations or warranties, that any particular requirement will be achieved or met, and Consultant assumes no responsibility for the achievement or failure to achieve such requirements.

All assistance by Consultant described in this Agreement based on information provided by Third Parties shall be considered information provided by Client, and Consultant shall be entitled to rely on such information without any additional duty of inquiry or investigation.

PART IV - SIGNATURE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This Agreement is subject to the provisions titled "Part I – General Conditions", "Part II Terms and Conditions" and "Part III Scope of Basic Services," which each are hereby incorporated by reference.

IN WITNESSETH HEREOF, the Client and the Consultant have executed this Agreement as of the effective date indicated above.

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