6 July 2021

City of Fort Lauderdale Attention: Susan Grant, Director of Finance 100 N. Andrews. Av Fort Lauderdale FL 33301

Dear Susan:

Thank you for choosing Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC ("we" or "EYIA" or "Contractor") to perform professional services (the "Services") for the City of Fort Lauderdale ("you" or "Client" or "City"). We appreciate the opportunity to assist you and look forward to working with you.

For each project that we agree to undertake for you, we will prepare a Statement of Work describing the particular Services, as well as any advice, presentations, or filings to be made, our fees therefor, and any other project-specific arrangements. All of the Services will be subject to the terms and conditions of this letter, its attachments, including the General Terms and Conditions, and the applicable Statement of Work (together, this "Agreement").

We may enter into Statements of Work with you for a period of five years following the date of this letter, although we may agree with you to extend that period, including by executing additional Statements of Work referencing this Agreement.

If you have any questions about any of these materials, please do not hesitate to contact so that me we can address any issues you identify before we begin to provide any Services.

Very truly yours,

By:

Stephen Auton-Smith, Authorized Signatory

# **General Terms and Conditions**

#### Our relationship with you

- 1. We will perform the Services in accordance with applicable professional standards, including those established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("**AICPA**").
- 2. We are a member of the global network of Ernst & Young firms ("**EY Firms**"), each of which is a separate legal entity.
- 3. We will provide the Services to you as an independent contractor and not as your employee, agent, partner or joint venturer. Neither you nor we have any right, power or authority to bind the other.
- 4. We may subcontract portions of the Services to other EY Firms, who may deal with you directly. Nevertheless, we alone will be responsible to you for the Reports (as defined in Section 11), the performance of the Services, and our other obligations under this Agreement. From time to time, non-CPA personnel may perform the Services.
- 5. We will not assume any of your management responsibilities in connection with the Services. We will not be responsible for the use or implementation of the output of the Services, although we may otherwise provide advice and recommendations to assist you in your management functions and making decisions.

## Your responsibilities

- 6. You shall assign a qualified person to oversee the Services. You are responsible for all management decisions relating to the Services, the use or implementation of the output of the Services and for determining whether the Services are appropriate for your purposes.
- 7. You shall provide (or cause others to provide) to us, promptly, the information, resources and assistance (including access to records, systems, premises and people) that we reasonably require to perform the Services.
- 8. To the best of your knowledge, all information provided by you or on your behalf ("**Client Information**") will be accurate and complete in all material respects. The provision of Client Information to us will not infringe any copyright or other third-party rights.
- 9. We will rely on Client Information made available to us and, unless we expressly agree otherwise, will have no responsibility to evaluate or verify it.

10. You shall be responsible for your personnel's compliance with your obligations under this Agreement.

## **Our Reports**

- 11. Any information, advice, recommendations or other content of any reports, presentations or other communications we provide under this Agreement ("**Reports**"), other than Client Information, are for your use only (consistent with the purpose of the particular Services).
- 12. If you disclose a Report (or a portion thereof) externally, you shall not alter, edit or modify it from the form we provided.
- 13. [Reserved.]
- 14. [Reserved.]
- 15. You may not rely on any draft Report. We shall not be required to update any final Report for circumstances of which we become aware, or events occurring, after its delivery.

## Limitations

- 16. You may not recover from us, in contract or tort, under statute or otherwise, any consequential, incidental, indirect, or punitive damages in connection with claims arising out of this Agreement or otherwise relating to the Services, including any amount for loss of profit, data or goodwill, whether or not the likelihood of such loss or damage was contemplated.
- 17. You may not recover from us, in contract or tort, under statute or otherwise, aggregate damages in excess of the fees actually paid for the Services that directly caused the loss in connection with claims arising out of this Agreement or otherwise relating to the Services. This limitation will not apply to losses caused by our fraud or willful misconduct or to the extent prohibited by applicable law or professional regulations.
- 18. [Reserved.]
- 19. You may not make a claim or bring proceedings relating to the Services or otherwise under this Agreement against any other EY Firm or our or its subcontractors, members, shareholders, directors, officers, partners, principals or employees ("EY Persons"). You shall make any claim or bring proceedings only against us. The provisions of Sections 16 through 20 are intended to benefit the other EY Firms and all EY Persons, who shall be entitled to enforce them.

## Indemnity

20. Subject to the limitations in Section 17. Contractor shall protect and defend at Contractor's expense, counsel being subject to the City's approval, and indemnify and hold harmless the City and the City's officers, employees, volunteers, and agents ("Client Indemnitees") from and against any and all losses, penalties, fines, damages, settlements, judgments, claims, costs, charges, expenses, or liabilities, including any award of attorney fees and any award of costs, that Client Indemnitees may incur due to claims of third parties based upon bodily injury (including death) or damage to (including loss of) tangible property arising from negligence or intentional misconduct of the Contractor or by any officer, employee, agent, invitee, subcontractor, or sublicensee of the Contractor. The provisions and obligations of this section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. To the extent considered necessary by the City's City Manager, any sums due Contractor under this Agreement may be retained by City until all of City's claims for indemnification pursuant to this Agreement have been settled or otherwise resolved, and any amount withheld shall not be subject to payment of interest by City.

## Intellectual property rights

- 21. We may use data, software, designs, utilities, tools, models, systems and other methodologies and knowhow that we own or license ("**Materials**") in performing the Services. Notwithstanding the delivery of any Reports, we retain all intellectual property rights in the Materials (including any improvements or knowledge developed while performing the Services), and in any working papers compiled in connection with the Services (but not Client Information reflected in them).
- 22. Upon payment for particular Services and subject to the other terms of this Agreement, you may use the Reports relating to those Services, as well as any Materials owned by us that are included therein, solely to the extent necessary to use the Reports.

#### Information

- 23. All records made or received by either party in connection with this Agreement are public records pursuant to Florida law, available for inspection and copying, except as provided in Subsection 255.065(15), Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, and except as otherwise provided by Florida law.
- 24. Either of us may use electronic media to correspond or transmit information.
- 25. Unless prohibited by applicable law, we may provide Client Information to other EY Firms (which are listed

at <u>www.ey.com</u>) and EY Persons, as well as external third parties providing services on our or their behalf, who may collect, use, transfer, store or otherwise process (collectively, "**Process**") it in various jurisdictions in which they operate in order to facilitate performance of the Services, to comply with regulatory requirements, to check conflicts, to provide financial accounting and other administrative support services or for quality and risk management purposes. We shall be responsible to you for maintaining the confidentiality of Client Information, regardless of where or by whom such information is Processed on our behalf.

26. With respect to any Services, if U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission auditor independence requirements apply to the relationship between you or any of your associated entities and any EY Firm, you represent, to the best of your knowledge, as of the date of this Agreement and as of the date of each Statement of Work hereunder, that neither you nor any of your affiliates has agreed, either orally or in writing, with any other advisor to restrict your ability to disclose to anyone the tax treatment or tax structure of any transaction to which the Services relate. An agreement of this kind could impair an EY Firm's independence as to your audit or that of any of your affiliates, or require specific tax disclosures as to those restrictions. Accordingly, you agree that the impact of any such agreement is your responsibility.

## **Data protection**

- 27. If we Process Client Information that can be linked to specific individuals ("Personal Data"), we will Process it in accordance with Section 25 of this Agreement, as well as applicable law and professional regulations, including, where applicable, the EU-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework and the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework, each administered by the U.S. Department of Commerce and to which EYIA has self-certified (collectively, the "Privacy Shield Framework"). Further information (including disclosures required by the Privacy Shield Framework) is set out at www.ey.com/us/privacyshield. We will require any service provider that Processes Personal Data on our behalf to provide at least the same level of protection for such data as is required by the Privacy Shield Framework and other legal and regulatory requirements applicable to us. If any Client Information is protected health information under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, as amended, this Agreement is deemed to incorporate all of the terms otherwise required to be included in a business associate contract relating to such information.
- 28. You warrant that you have the authority to provide the Personal Data to us in connection with the performance of the Services and that the Personal Data provided to us has been Processed in accordance with applicable law. In order to provide the Services, we may need to access Personal Data consisting of protected health

information, financial account numbers, Social Security or other government-issued identification numbers, or other data that, if disclosed without authorization, would trigger notification requirements under applicable law ("Restricted Personal Data"). In the event that we need access to such information, you will consult with us on appropriate measures (consistent with professional standards applicable to us) to protect the Restricted Personal Data, such as deleting or masking unnecessary information before it is made available to us, encrypting any data transferred to us, or making the data available for on-site review at a Client site. You will provide us with Restricted Personal Data only in accordance with mutually agreed protective measures.

## Fees and expenses generally

- 29. You shall pay our professional fees and specific expenses in connection with the Services as detailed in the applicable Statement of Work. You shall also reimburse us for other reasonable expenses incurred in performing the Services. Our fees are exclusive of taxes or similar charges, as well as customs, duties or tariffs imposed in respect of the Services, all of which, except to the extent you are exempt, you shall pay (other than taxes imposed on our income generally). Unless otherwise set forth in the applicable Statement of Work, payment is due within 45 days following receipt of each of our proper invoices. We may receive rebates in connection with certain purchases, which we use to reduce charges that we would otherwise pass on to you.
- 30. We may charge additional professional fees if you ask us to perform additional tasks.
- 31. If we are required by applicable law, legal process or government action to produce information or personnel as witnesses with respect to the Services or this Agreement, you shall reimburse us for any reasonable professional time and expenses (including reasonable external and internal legal costs) incurred to respond to the request, unless we are a party to the proceeding or the subject of the investigation.

## Force majeure

32. Neither you nor we shall be liable for breach of this Agreement (other than payment obligations) caused by circumstances beyond your or our reasonable control.

## Term and termination

- This Agreement applies to the Services whenever performed (including before the date of this Agreement).
- 34. This Agreement shall terminate upon the completion of the Services. Either of us may terminate it, or any particular Services, earlier upon 30 days' prior written

notice to the other. In addition, we may terminate this Agreement, or any particular Services, immediately upon written notice to you if we reasonably determine that we can no longer provide the Services in accordance with applicable law or professional obligations.

- 35. You shall pay us for all work-in-progress, Services already performed, and expenses incurred by us in accordance with this Agreement up to and including the effective date of the termination of this Agreement. Payment is due within 45 days following receipt of our proper invoice for these amounts.
- 36. The provisions of this Agreement that give either of us rights or obligations beyond its termination shall continue indefinitely following the termination of this Agreement, except that our respective confidentiality obligations shall continue thereafter as provided by Florida law.

## Governing law and dispute resolution

37. This Agreement, and any non-contractual matters or obligations arising out of this Agreement or the Services, including (without limitation) claims arising in tort, fraud, under statute or otherwise relating to the Services, or questions relating to the scope or enforceability of this Section 37, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of Florida applicable to agreements made, and fully to be performed, therein by residents thereof. Any dispute relating to this Agreement or the Services shall first be submitted to mediation as set forth in Appendix 1 to these Terms and Conditions. Venue for any lawsuit by either party against the other party or otherwise arising out of this Agreement, and for any other legal proceeding, shall be in the courts in and for Broward County, Florida, or in the event of federal jurisdiction, in the Southern District of Florida. The parties waive the right to jury trial in connection with any legal proceedings arising under or relating to this Agreement.

## Miscellaneous

- 38. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between us as to the Services and the other matters it covers, and supersedes all prior agreements, understandings and representations with respect thereto, including any confidentiality agreements previously delivered.
- 39. Both of us may execute this Agreement (including Statements of Work), as well as any modifications thereto, by electronic means and each of us may sign a different copy of the same document. Both of us must agree in writing to modify this Agreement or any Statement of Work hereunder.
- 40. Each of us represents to the other that each person signing this Agreement or any Statement of Work

hereunder on its behalf is expressly authorized to execute it and to bind such party to its terms.

- 41. You agree that we and the other EY Firms may, subject to professional obligations, act for other clients, including your competitors.
- 42. Neither of us may assign any of our rights, obligations or claims arising out of or related to this Agreement or any Services.
- 43. If any provision of this Agreement (in whole or part) is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal, invalid or otherwise unenforceable, the other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- 44. If there is any inconsistency between provisions in different parts of this Agreement, those parts shall have precedence as follows (unless expressly agreed otherwise): (a) the Cover Letter, (b) the applicable Statement of Work and any attachments thereto, (c) these General Terms and Conditions, and (d) other attachments to this Agreement.
- 45. [Reserved.]
- 46. [Reserved.]
- IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS 47 **OUESTIONS REGARDING** THE APPLICATION OF **CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA** STATUTES, TO THE **CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE** CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC **RECORDS AT** PRRCONTRACT@FORTLAUD ERDALE.GOV, 954-828-5002, **CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, FORT** LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33301.

Contractor shall comply with public records laws, and Contractor shall:

a. Keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service.

b. Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the City with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, or as otherwise provided by law.

c. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the City.

d. Upon completion of the Contract, transfer, at no cost, to the City all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the City upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the Contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the City, upon request from the City's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the City.

As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this 48 Agreement, subject to Odebrecht Construction, Inc., v. Prasad, 876 F.Supp.2d 1305 (S.D. Fla. 2012), affirmed, Odebrecht Construction, Inc., v. Secretary, Florida Department of Transportation, 715 F.3d 1268 (11th Cir. 2013), with regard to the "Cuba Amendment," the Contractor certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, and that it does not have business operations in Cuba or Syria, as provided in section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised. As a condition precedent to any contract for goods or services of any amount and as a condition precedent to the renewal of any contract for goods or services of any amount, the Contractor certifies that it is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, and that it is not engaged in a boycott of Israel. The City may terminate this Agreement at the City's option if the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification as provided under subsection (5) of section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, or been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List or the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be

amended or revised, or is engaged in a boycott of Israel, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, as defined in Section 287.135, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised.

49. The Contractor shall not discriminate against its employees based on the employee's race, color, religion, gender, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, or any other protected classification as defined by applicable law.

> a. The Contractor certifies and represents that the Contractor offers the same health benefits to the domestic partners of its employees as are offered its employees' spouses or offers its employees the cash equivalent of such health benefits because it is unable to provide health benefits to its employees' domestic partners, and that the Contractor will comply with Section 2-187, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, (2020), as may be amended or revised, ("Section 2-187"), during the entire term of this Agreement.

b. The failure of the Contractor to comply with Section 2-187 shall be deemed to be a material breach of this Agreement, entitling the City to pursue any remedy stated below or any remedy provided under applicable law.

c. The City may terminate this Agreement if the Contractor fails to comply with Section 2-187.

d. The City may retain all monies due or to become due until the Contractor complies with Section 2-187.

e. The Contractor may be subject to debarment or suspension proceedings. Such proceedings will be consistent with the procedures in section 2-183 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

50. As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, pursuant to Section 448.095, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, the Contractor and its subcontractors shall register with and use the E-Verify system to electronically verify the employment eligibility of newly hired employees. 1. The Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors, if any, to provide the Contractor with an affidavit stating that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of the subcontractor's affidavit for the duration of this Agreement and in accordance with the public records requirements of this Agreement.

2. The City, the Contractor, or any subcontractor who has a good faith belief that a person or entity with which it is contracting has knowingly violated Subsection 448.09(1), Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, shall terminate the contract with the person or entity.

3. The City, upon good faith belief that a subcontractor knowingly violated the provisions of Subsection 448.095(2), Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, but that the Contractor otherwise complied with Subsection 448.095(2), as may be amended or revised, shall promptly notify Contractor and order the Contractor to immediately terminate the contract with the subcontractor, and the Contractor shall comply with such order.

4. A contract terminated under Subparagraph 448.095(2)(c)1. or 2., Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, is not a breach of contract and may not be considered as such. If the City terminates this contract under Paragraph 448.095(2)(c), Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, the Contractor may not be awarded a public contract for at least one year after the date on which the contract was terminated. The Contractor is liable for any additional costs incurred by the City as a result of termination of this Agreement.

5. Contractor shall include in each of its subcontracts, if any, the requirements set forth in this section 50, including this subparagraph, requiring any and all subcontractors, as defined in Subsection 448.095(1)(j), Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, to include all of the requirements of this section 50 in their subcontracts. Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any and all subcontractors, as defined in Subsection 448.095(1)(j), Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised, with the requirements of Section 448.095, Florida Statutes (2020), as may be amended or revised.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City and the Contractor execute this Agreement as follows:

City of Fort Lauderdale

By:

Christopher J. Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM City Manager

Approved as to form:

By: \_\_\_

Assistant City Attorney

Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

WITNESSES:

Signature

Print Name

Signature

Print Name

ATTEST:

Title:

(SEAL)

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

#### STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_: COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of  $\Box$  physical presence or  $\Box$  online notarization, this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_\_ for Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company authorized to transact business in the State of Florida.

(SEAL)

Signature of Notary Public – State of \_\_\_\_\_

Print, Type, or Stamp Commissioned Name of Notary Public

Personally Known \_\_\_\_\_ OR Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_\_

# **Appendix 1**

# **Dispute resolution procedures**

#### Mediation

A party shall submit a dispute to mediation by written notice to the other party or parties. The mediator shall have been certified as a mediator by the Florida Supreme Court and shall be selected by the parties. If the parties cannot agree on a mediator, the International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution ("CPR") shall designate a Florida Supreme Court-certified mediator at the request of a party. Any mediator must be acceptable to all parties and must confirm in writing that he or she is not, and will not become during the term of the mediation, an employee, partner, executive officer, director, or substantial equity owner of any EY client, or an EY client.

The mediator shall conduct the mediation as he/she determines, with the agreement of the parties. The parties shall discuss their differences in good faith and attempt, with the mediator's assistance, to reach an amicable resolution of the dispute. The mediation shall be treated as a settlement discussion and shall therefore be confidential, except as otherwise provided by Florida law or Florida Court Rules. The mediator may not testify for either party in any later proceeding relating to the dispute. The mediation proceedings shall not be recorded or transcribed.

Each party shall bear its own costs in the mediation. The parties shall share equally the fees and expenses of the mediator.

If the parties have not resolved a dispute within 90 days after written notice beginning mediation (or a longer period, if the parties agree to extend the mediation), the mediation shall terminate. In addition, if a party initiates litigation without initiating mediation, or before the mediation process has terminated, an opposing party may deem the mediation requirement to have been waived.