

**CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE
CONTRACT # 20210015**

This Contract for an Affordable Housing Disposition Plan, executed this _____ day of _____, 2021, by and between the CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, a municipal corporation, duly organized under the laws of the State of Florida, hereinafter called "City", and Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County, Inc., 4938 Davis Landings, Lake Worth, FL 33461, Phone #: 561-318-8430 hereinafter called "Consultant" or "Proposer".

**SECTION I
RECITALS**

In consideration of the below agreements and covenants set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

WHEREAS, Consultant is licensed in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to contract with a Consultant to provide the Scope of Services and products / services based on the terms and subject to the conditions contained herein; and

WHEREAS, Consultant is qualified, willing and able to provide the Scope of Services and products / services specified on the terms and conditions set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into this Contract with Consultant to perform the Scope of Services and product / services specified and, with a commission amount to be paid as agreed upon below.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants herein name, the Parties agree as follows:

The Recitals set forth above are hereby incorporated into this Contract and made a part of hereof for reference.

**SECTION II
NOTICES**

All notices or other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given if delivered in person, sent by certified mail with return receipt request, email or fax and addressed as follows unless written notice of a change of address is given pursuant to the provisions of this Contract.

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Executive Director
Community Land Trust of Palm Beach County, Inc.
4938 Davis Landings
Lake Worth, FL 33461
Phone #: 561-318-8430
E-Mail: clacourse-blum@cltofabc.org

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Procurement Agent II - Procurement Management Department
121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard
Port St. Lucie, FL 34984-5099
772-344-4068 / FAX 772-871-7337
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121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard
Port St. Lucie, FL 34984-5099
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SECTION III

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

The Contractor will design a housing plan to establish a program that follows a shared equity model so that the homes dedicated by the City to its portfolio remain affordable in perpetuity. The Contractor will introduce a program for launching and running a program that will promote permanent affordability and the retention of affordable housing investments, by the City, in the community. The program shall incorporate a planned model for the selection and awarding of 6 affordable units to approved City residents who are in the 80% AMI or below income category. The program should also provide recommendations for methods in which the City and the selected entity can work together to leverage private sector funding to further the City's investments.

"Under traditional homeownership subsidy programs, the subsidized home can be sold at the market appreciated sales price, with recapture of the original subsidy upon resale. Because of market appreciation, the recaptured subsidy is wholly inadequate for the local government to get another family into homeownership. The local government or other subsidy provider must then expend an even greater amount of subsidy to provide a homeownership opportunity to the next homebuyer. It is this massive drain on already depleted public resources which is driving local governments to increasingly explore the CLT option."¹

The Contractor must have the capability to incorporate ongoing projects within the plan. The first housing construction projects that will be made available by the City for this program are 6 newly constructed single-family homes built with Federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funds.

Location of NSP Homes:

6 single family residences: 1400 sq. ft (3/2 and 2 car garage)
Scheduled to be completed end of January 2021.

1. 702 SW Duxbury Ave.,
2. 732 SW Bond Rd.
3. 1549 SW Janette Ave.
4. 1581 SW Byron St.
5. 2619 SW Halisee St.
6. 3881 SW McCroy St.

Services and Plans to be provided shall include but are not limited to the following:

- Program Plan, Schedule and Budget
 - o 30 days to negotiate a contract with the City.
 - o The program should include a plan for the selection and awarding (marketing of homes, income qualification, homebuyer counseling, closing) of the first 6 newly constructed homes 90 days after the parties have signed to: solicit applicants, select the household for ownership, complete the sale of the home. The contract shall comprise management of the lease for the duration of the contract (and shall be renewable).
- Workshops, Interviews and Stakeholder Meetings as needed
- City Council Presentations as needed

¹ Pg. 79 Florida Community Land Trust Primer by the Florida Housing Coalition <https://www.flhousing.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/CLT-Primer-08.2015-FINAL-WEB-compressed.pdf>

The finished deliverables to the City will be:

- Professional Program Plan and execution of the program after a contract is signed.

Program Schedule:

- Contract Development, Negotiation and agreement to be completed within the first 30 days from Notice to Proceed (NTP).
- Program launch, client selection and award of the first 6 homes designated by the City 90 days from NTP.
- days 91-365 after NTP, with options to renew
- Management and maintenance to be conducted for 7 years (if all applicable renewals are completed) from NTP.

Phase 1 – Research and Initial Analysis

- Review the City's ordinance against these standards and prepare recommendations for change and/or analysis of risk associated with the current ordinance.
- Using local economic and demographic data, prepare a pricing analysis and draft pricing policy to ensure homes are priced affordability initially.
- Prepare resale formula analysis and options.
- Prepare presentations and training materials for site visit.
- **Deliverables include:**
 - Written recommendations re: changes to the ordinance, or affirmation that it will work as drafted.
 - Draft pricing workbook to calculate annual pricing requirements.
 - Draft resale formula analysis.

Phase 2 – Site Visit

- Work with key City staff and City identified stakeholders to review best practices for Community Land Trusts and Affordable Housing programs.
- Present resale formula analysis and options to appropriate decision makers to select a resale formula. Include risks and benefits of various options.
- Work with City staff to identify necessary policies and procedures, based on best practices.
- Work with City staff to customize the Grounded Solutions Model Ground Lease.
- Work with City Attorney to ensure choices are acceptable to the City and answer any related questions.
- **Deliverables include:**
 - Written pricing policy and associated workbook to calculate annual pricing requirements.
 - Written resale formula and associated workbook to calculate maximum resale value.
 - Customized model ground lease including resale formula selected above.

Phase 3 – Program Design

- Draft policy and procedure document
- Prepare program templates, forms and documents including CLT ground lease agreement.
- Adapt Homekeeper Universal Application to include all necessary components for the City's program.
- Evaluate most efficient/effective process for homebuyer selection including lottery if necessary.
- Draft selection criteria and requirements.
- Set up fair and equitable application process with templates for logs, letters and forms.
- Evaluate the option to use HomeKeeper, to manage inquiries, applicants, financing, subsidies, homeowners, resales and properties. This includes online applications. In the absence of an automated program, develop manual systems for implementation and tracking in the short term.
- Research best practices for complaint resolution and draft policies and procedures based on best practices.
- **Deliverables include:**
 - Draft policy manual for formal adoption by the City.
 - City of PSL Application Form.
 - Written selection criteria and recommended selection process.
 - Written recommendation re: Homekeeper use vs. manual system.
 - Written Complaint Resolution Policy and Procedures.

PROGRAM DELIVERY SERVICES

1. Maintain a waiting list of prospective community land trust home buyers.
2. Pre-qualify home buyer applicants
3. Complete income qualification process for home buyer applicants
4. Facilitate the completion of the home buyer orientation for the community land trust homeowner.
5. Provide education to potential home buyer applicants regarding financial responsibilities as a homeowner and specifically as a community land trust homeowner. (the first 6 homes in program are governed by NSP rules and regulations and therefore the education requirement for these home buyers will be at least 8 hrs.)
6. Maintain and retain project and applicant files documenting intake through closing, monitoring and affordability.
7. Retain community land trust ground leases following project closeout.
8. Maintain financial record keeping and administration including filing reports required by funding sources, is applicable.
9. Conduct and attend public meetings as needed

Deliverables and timeframe:

- As needed coordinated intakes for interested applicants for City's Affordable Housing Program. In light of the COVID-19 Pandemic, as much of the work as possible will be done virtually.
- Waitlist of income and mortgage eligible homebuyers.
- Waitlist of income eligible renters.
- Updated list of monthly HUD Certified First Time Homebuyer Workshops with times and locations as well as non-profit credit counseling programs.
- Community Land Trust Orientations to be held as needed but no more than once every other week and no less than once a quarter and will include some evening and weekend options. In light of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Orientations will be held virtually.
- Monthly financial reports and quarterly program and compliance reports.
- As needed Income certifications prepared in accordance with HUD's Part 5 (Section 8) method. Conduct income certifications as needed per City guidelines following HUD rules and regulations.
- Updated inventory of all City of PSL's Affordable Housing Units to include upcoming projects and units that will be made available.
- Secured storage of all program files and records.

PROJECT DELIVERY SERVICES

1. Assist in the identification and disposition of publicly owned surplus land for community land trust use.
2. Conduct initial property inspection.
3. Prepare Bid Documents and send Invitations to Bid
4. Oversee (in conjunction with the City) the construction process of new affordable housing dwelling units including final property inspections;
5. Satisfy Labor Compliance Requirements.

Deliverables and timeframe:

- Assessment of suitability for affordable housing report for identified publicly owned surplus lands (months 1-6).
- Initial property inspection and status report to include analysis of ownership, title issues, easements and confirmation of suitability for use (months 6-12).
- Bid Documents: One month from date site access provided
- Recommendation for Bid Award: Two weeks from bid opening
- If any future projects come about the Firm shall provide Davis Bacon Compliance Report: Issued monthly for duration of construction.

SECTION IV
TIME OF PERFORMANCE

Contract period shall begin on **February 9th, 2021** and terminate on **February 9th, 2022** for a total of **12 Months**. The Consultant will be required to commence work under this Contract within ten (10) calendar days after the start date identified in this Contract. In the event all work required in this contract has not been completed by the specified date, the Consultant agrees to provide work as authorized by the Project Manager until all work specified in this contract has been rendered.

SECTION V
RENEWAL OPTION

The initial term of the contract(s) is for one (1) calendar year from the execution date of the contract(s). PSL shall have seven (7) 1-year options to renew, which options shall be exercisable at the sole discretion of PSL. Renewal will be accomplished through the issuance of Notice of Award Amendment. In the event that the contract, shall terminate or be likely to terminate prior to the making of an award for a new contract for the identified products and/or services, PSL may, with the written consent of the awarded Consultant(s), extend the contract(s) for such period of time as may be necessary to permit PSL's continued supply of the identified products and/or services. The contract(s) may be amended in writing from time to time by mutual consent of the parties.

NOTE: Consultant may exercise the option to renew by submitting a written submission one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the termination of the initial contract period.

SECTION VI
COMPENSATION

Description		Response
1	Fee for Program Design Services (a one-time fee for program design and initial launch)	Program Design: 40,000.00 Program Launch: 30,000.00 = 70,000.00
2	Pricing list for all additional services as needed, per unit and/or over time monthly/yearly	Management of Homes - 600.00 per year per home
3	All sales and turnovers past the first 6 single family homes stated (Provide flat fee per unit.)	5,000.00 per unit
OPTIONAL SERVICES		

4	Initial property inspection and status report (if applicable) - Bid Documents - Recommendation for Bid Award - Davis Bacon Compliance Report: Issued monthly for duration of construction.	Fee \$8,500 per single family unit or duplex
5	Assessment of suitability for affordable housing report for identified publicly owned surplus lands - Initial property inspection and status report to include analysis of ownership, title issues, easements and confirmation of suitability for use.	Fee \$450 per lot (0-19 lots at once) Fee is \$300 per lot). (20+ lots at once) (includes title search)
6	Prepare draft ideas and plans for collaboration with affordable housing developers and assist with negotiations.	Fee hourly rate at \$60 per hour.

The Consultant shall not be paid additional compensation for any loss or damage, arising out of the nature of the work, from the action of the elements, or from any delay or unforeseen obstruction or difficulties encountered in the performance of the work, or for any expenses incurred by, or as a consequence of the suspension or discontinuance of the work.

Invoices for services shall be submitted once a month, by the 10th of the month, and payments shall be made within thirty (30) days. Payments shall be made provided the submitted invoice is accompanied by adequate supporting documentation and approved by Project Manager.

No payment for projects involving improvements to real property shall be due until Consultant delivers to City a complete release of all claims arising out of the Contract or receipts in full in lieu thereof, and an affidavit asserting personal knowledge that the releases and receipts include labor and materials for which a lien could be filed.

All invoices and correspondence relative to this Contract must contain the Purchase Order number, Contract number, detail of items with prices that correspond to the Contract, unique invoice number and partial or final release of liens.

All payments not made within the time specified by this section shall bear interest from thirty (30) calendar days after the due date at the rate of 1 percent per month on the unpaid balance.

In the event the City deems it expedient to perform work which has not been done by the Consultant as required by these Specifications, or to correct work which has been improperly and/or inadequately performed by the Consultant as required in these Specifications, all expenses thus incurred by the City, at the City's option, will be invoiced to the Consultant and/or deducted from payments due to the Consultant. Deductions thus made will not excuse the Consultant from other penalties and conditions contained in the Contract.

SECTION VII
AUDITS

The Consultant shall maintain books, records and documents in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and procedures and which sufficiently and properly document and calculate all charges billed to the City throughout the term of the Contract for a period of at least seven (7) years following the date of final payment or

completion of any required audit, whichever is later. Records to be maintained include both financial records and service records. The Consultant shall permit the City's authorized auditor or any authorized representative of the State, and where federal funds are involved, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any other authorized representative of the United States government, to access and examine, audit, excerpt and transcribe any directly pertinent books, documents, papers, electronic or optically stored and created records or other records of the Consultant relating to orders, invoices or payments or any other documentation or materials pertaining to the Contract, wherever such records may be located during normal business hours. The Consultant shall not impose a charge for audit or examination of the Consultant's books and records. If an audit discloses incorrect billings or improprieties, the City reserves the right to charge the Consultant for the cost of the audit and appropriate reimbursement. Evidence of criminal conduct will be turned over to the proper authorities.

SECTION VII **WORK CHANGES**

The City reserves the right to order work changes in the nature of additions, deletions or modifications without invalidating the Contract, and agrees to make corresponding adjustments in the contract price and time for completion. Any and all changes must be authorized by a written change order signed by the City's Purchasing Agent or his designee as representing the City. Work shall be changed and the contract price and completion time shall be modified only as set out in the written change order. Any adjustment in the contract price resulting in a credit or a charge to the City shall be determined by mutual agreement of the parties before starting the work involved in the change.

SECTION VIII **CONFORMANCE WITH PROPOSAL**

It is understood that the materials and/or work required herein are in accordance with the proposal made by the Consultant pursuant to the Solicitation and Specifications on file in the Procurement Management Department of the City. All documents submitted by the Consultant in relation to said proposal, and all documents promulgated by the City for inviting proposals are, by reference, made a part hereof as if set forth herein in full.

SECTION IX **INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS**

Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless, the City, its officers, agents, and employees from, and against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, losses and expenses including, but not limited to, attorney's fees for personal, economic or bodily injury, wrongful death, loss of or damage to property, at law or in equity, which may arise or may be alleged to have risen from the negligent acts, errors, omissions or other wrongful conduct of Consultant, agents, laborers, subconsultants or other personnel entity acting under Consultant control in connection with the Consultant's performance of services under this Contract and to that extent Consultant shall pay such claims and losses and shall pay all such costs and judgments which may issue from any lawsuit arising from such claims and losses including wrongful termination or allegations of discrimination or harassment, and shall pay all costs and attorney's fees expended by the City in defense of such claims and losses including appeals. That the aforesaid hold-harmless Contract by Consultant shall apply to all damages and claims for damages of every kind suffered, or alleged to have been suffered, by reason of any of the aforesaid operations of Consultant or any agent laborers, subconsultants or employee of Consultant regardless of whether or not such insurance policies shall have been determined to be applicable to any of such damages or claims for damages. Consultant shall be held responsible for any violation of laws, rules, regulations or ordinances affecting in any way the conduct of all persons engaged in or the materials or methods used by Consultant on the work. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Contract.

SECTION X **SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY**

Nothing contained in this Contract shall be deemed or otherwise interpreted as waiving the City's sovereign immunity protections existing under the laws of the State of Florida, or as increasing the limits of liability as set forth in [Section 768.28, Florida Statutes](#).

SECTION XI
INSURANCE

The Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its officers and employees, from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligent act, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Consultant and persons employed or utilized, including any independent consultants or subconsultants by the Consultant in the performance of this contract.

The Consultant shall on a primary basis and at its sole expense agree to maintain in full force and effect at all times during the life of this Contract, insurance coverage, limits, including endorsements, as described herein. The requirements contained herein, as well as City's review or acceptance of insurance maintained by Consultant are not intended to and shall not in any manner limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by Consultant under the Contract.

The parties agree and recognize that it is not the intent of the City of Port St. Lucie that any insurance policy/coverage that it may obtain pursuant to any provision of this Contract will provide insurance coverage to any entity, corporation, business, person, or organization, other than the City of Port St. Lucie and the City shall not be obligated to provide any insurance coverage other than for the City of Port St. Lucie or extend its immunity pursuant to Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, under its self-insured program. Any provision contained herein to the contrary shall be considered void and unenforceable by any party. This provision does not apply to any obligation imposed on any other party to obtain insurance coverage for this project, any obligation to name the City of Port St. Lucie as an additional insured under any other insurance policy, or otherwise protect the interests of the City of Port St. Lucie as specified in this Contract.

Workers' Compensation Insurance & Employer's Liability: The Consultant shall agree to maintain Workers' Compensation Insurance & Employers' Liability in accordance with Section 440, Florida Statutes. Employers' Liability and must include limits of at least \$100,000.00 each accident, \$100,000.00 each disease/employee, and \$500,000.00 each disease/maximum. A Waiver of Subrogation endorsement must be provided. Coverage shall apply on a primary basis.

Commercial General Liability Insurance: Commercial General Liability insurance issued under an Occurrence form basis, including Contractual liability, to cover the hold harmless agreement set forth herein, with limits of not less than:

Each occurrence	\$1,000,000
Personal/advertising injury	\$1,000,000
Products/completed operations aggregate	\$2,000,000
General aggregate	\$2,000,000
Fire damage	\$100,000 any 1 fire
Medical expense	\$10,000 any 1 person

Additional Insured: An Additional Insured endorsement **must** be attached to the certificate of insurance (should be CG2026) under the General Liability policy. Coverage is to be written on an occurrence form basis and shall apply as primary and non-contributory. Defense costs are to be in addition to the limit of liability. A waiver of subrogation is to be provided in favor of the City. Coverage shall extend to independent consultants and fellow employees. Contractual Liability is to be included. Coverage is to include a cross liability or severability of interests provision as provided under the standard ISO form separation of insurers clause.

Except as to Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability, and Professional Liability, Certificates of Insurance and policies shall clearly state that coverage required by the Contract has been endorsed to include the City of Port St. Lucie, a municipality of the State of Florida, its officers, agents and employees as Additional Insured for Commercial General Liability and Business Auto policies. The name for the Additional Insured endorsement issued by the insurer shall read "**City of Port St. Lucie, a municipality of the State of Florida, its officers, employees and agents the contract name and number shall listed as additional insured.**" Copies of the Additional Insured endorsements shall be attached to the Certificate of Insurance. The policies shall be specifically endorsed to provide thirty (30) day written notice to the City prior to any adverse changes, cancellation, or non-renewal of coverage thereunder. In the event that the statutory liability of the City is amended during the term of this Contract to exceed the above limits, the Consultant shall be required, upon thirty (30) days written notice by the City, to provide coverage at least equal to the amended statutory limit of liability of the City.

Automobile Liability Insurance: The Consultant shall agree to maintain Business Automobile Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$1,000,000.00 each accident covering any auto, owned, non-owned and hired automobiles. In the event, the Consultant does not own any automobiles; the Business Auto Liability requirement shall be amended allowing Consultant to agree to maintain only Hired & Non-Owned Auto Liability. This amended requirement may be satisfied by way of endorsement to the Commercial General Liability, or separate Business Auto Coverage form. Certificate holder must be listed as additional insured. A waiver of subrogation must be provided. Coverage shall apply on a primary and non-contributory basis.

Professional Liability Insurance: Consultant shall agree to maintain Professional Liability, or equivalent Errors & Omissions Liability at a limit of liability not less than \$2,000,000 Per Occurrence. When a self-insured retention (SIR) or deductible exceeds \$10,000 the City reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and request a copy of Consultant's most recent annual report or audited financial statement. For policies written on a "Claims-Made" basis, the Consultant warrants the retroactive date equals or precedes the effective date of this Contract. In the event the policy is canceled, non-renewed, switched to an Occurrence Form, retroactive date advanced, or any other event triggering the right to purchase a Supplemental Extended Reporting Period (SERP) during the life of this Contract, Consultant shall agree to purchase a SERP with a minimum reporting period not less than four (4) years. If policy contains an exclusion for dishonest or criminal acts, defense coverage for the same shall be provided.

Waiver of Subrogation: The Consultant shall agree by entering into this Contract to a Waiver of Subrogation for each required policy. When required by the insurer, or should a policy condition not permit an Insured to enter into a pre-loss Contract to waive subrogation without an endorsement then Consultant shall agree to notify the insurer and request the policy be endorsed with a Waiver of Transfer of Rights of Recovery Against Others, or its equivalent.

Deductibles: All deductible amounts shall be paid for and be the responsibility of the Consultant for any and all claims under this Contract. Where an SIR or deductible exceeds \$5,000, the City of Port St. Lucie reserves the right, but not obligation, to review and request a copy of the bidder's most recent annual report or audited financial statement.

It shall be the responsibility of the Consultant to ensure that all independent consultants and sub-consultants comply with the same insurance requirements referenced herein. It will be the responsibility of the consultant to obtain Certificates of Insurance from all independent consultants and subconsultants listing the City as an Additional Insured without the language when required by written contract. If consultant, independent consultant or subconsultant maintain higher limits than the minimums shown above, the City requires and shall be entitled to coverage for the higher limits maintained by consultant/independent consultant/subconsultant.

The Consultant may satisfy the minimum limits required above for either Commercial General Liability, Business Auto Liability, and Employers' Liability coverage under Umbrella or Excess Liability. The Umbrella or Excess Liability shall have an Aggregate limit not less than the highest "Each Occurrence" limit for either Commercial General Liability, Business Auto Liability, or Employers' Liability. When required by the insurer, or when Umbrella or Excess Liability is written on Non-Follow Form," the City shall be endorsed as an "Additional Insured."

The City by and through its Risk Management Department reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review, modify, reject or accept any required policies of insurance, including limits, coverages or endorsements, herein from time to time throughout the term of this contract. All insurance carriers must have an AM Best rating of at least A:VII or better. When a self-insured retention or deductible exceeds \$5,000, The City reserves the right, but not the obligation, to review and request a copy of bidder's most recent annual report or audited financial statement.

A failure on the part of the consultant to execute the contract and/or punctually deliver the required insurance certificates and other documentation may be cause for annulment of the award.

SECTION XII ACTS OF GOD

The Consultant shall be responsible for all preparation of the site for Acts of God, including but not limited to; earthquake, flood, tropical storm, hurricane or other cataclysmic phenomenon of nature, rain, wind or other natural phenomenon of normal intensity, including extreme rainfall. No reparation shall be made to the Consultant for damages to the Work resulting from these Acts. The City is not responsible for any costs associated with pre or post preparations for any Acts of God.

Emergencies – In the event of emergencies affecting the safety of persons, the work, or property, at the site or adjacent thereto, the Consultant, or his designee, without special instruction or authorization from the City, is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. In the event such actions are taken, the Consultant shall promptly give to the City written notice and contact immediately by phone, of any significant changes in work or deviations from the Contract documents caused thereby, and if such action is deemed appropriate by the City a written authorization signed by the City covering the approved changes and deviations will be issued.

SECTION XIII PROHIBITION AGAINST FILING OR MAINTAINING LIENS AND SUITS

Subject to the laws of the State of Florida and of the United States, neither Consultant nor any Sub-Consultant supplier of materials, laborer or other person shall file or maintain any lien for labor or materials delivered in the performance of this Contract against the City. The right to maintain such lien for any or all of the above parties is hereby expressly waived.

SECTION XIV COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

The Consultant shall give all notices required by and shall otherwise comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, and codes and shall, at his own expense, secure and pay the fees and charges for all permits required for the performance of the Contract. All materials furnished and works done are to comply with all federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Consultant will comply with all requirements of [28 C.F.R. § 35.151](#). Consultants and Sub-Consultant, shall comply with [§ 119.0701, Fla. Stat.](#) The Consultant and Sub-Consultant, are to allow public access to all documents, papers, letters, or other material made or received by the Consultant in conjunction with this Contract, unless the records are exempt from [Art. I, § 24\(a\), Fla. Const.](#) and § 119.07(1)(a), Fla. Stat. Pursuant to [§ 119.10\(2\)\(a\), Fla. Stat.](#), any person who willfully and knowingly violates any of the provisions of Ch. 119, Laws of Fla., commits a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable as provided in [§ 775.082](#) and [§ 775.083 Fla. Stat.](#)

RECORDS

The City of Port St. Lucie is a public agency subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. The Consultant shall comply with Florida's Public Records Law. CONSULTANT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES. Pursuant to Section 119.0701, F.S.

Consultant agrees to comply with all public records laws, specifically to:

Keep and maintain public records required by the City in order to perform the service;

1. The timeframes and classifications for records retention requirements must be in accordance with the [General Records Schedule GS1-SL for State and Local Government Agencies](#).
2. During the term of the contract, the Consultant shall maintain all books, reports and records in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and standards for records directly related to this contract. The form of all records and reports shall be subject to the approval of the City.
3. Records include all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business with the City. Consultant's records under this Contract include but are not limited to, supplier/subconsultant invoices and contracts, project documents, meeting notes, emails and all other documentation generated during this Agreement.
4. The Consultant agrees to make available to the City, during normal business hours all books of account, reports and records relating to this contract.
5. A Consultant who fails to provide the public records to the City within a reasonable time may also be subject to penalties under Section 119.10, Florida Statutes.

Upon request from the City's custodian of public records, provide the public agency 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 this chapter or as otherwise provided by law.

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 Consultant does not transfer the records to the City.

Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost to the City, all public records in possession of the Consultant, or keep and maintain public records required by the City to perform the service. If the Consultant transfers all public records to the City upon completion of the contract, the Consultant shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Consultant keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the Consultant 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.

IF THE CONSULTANT HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONSULTANT'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

**CITY CLERK
121 SW Port St. Lucie Blvd.**

Port St. Lucie, FL 34984
(772) 871 5157
pr@cityofpsl.com

SECTION XV
INSPECTION AND CORRECTION OF DEFECTS

Deductions - In the event the City deems it expedient to perform work which has not been done by the Consultant(s) as required by these Specifications, or to correct work which has been improperly and/or inadequately performed by the Consultant(s) as required in these Specifications, all expenses thus incurred by the City, in the City's option, will be invoiced to the Consultant(s) and/or may be deducted from payments due to the Consultant(s). Deductions thus made will not excuse the Consultant(s) from other penalties and conditions contained in the Contract.

SECTION XV
SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES

[Section 287.135, Florida Statutes](https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/GlobalGovernanceMandates/QuarterlyReports/Global_Governance_Mandates_and_Florida%20Statutes_2019_01_29.pdf?ver=2019-01-29-130006-790), prohibits agencies from contracting with companies, for goods or services over \$1,000,000 that are on either the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran petroleum Energy Sector List, or do any business with Cuba or Syria. Both lists are created pursuant to [Section 215.473, Florida Statutes](https://www.sbafla.com/fsb/Portals/FSB/Content/GlobalGovernanceMandates/QuarterlyReports/Global_Governance_Mandates_and_Florida%20Statutes_2019_01_29.pdf?ver=2019-01-29-130006-790)

SECTION XVI
ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

In the event of any conflict between the terms and conditions, appearing on any purchase order issued relative to this Contract, and those contained in this Contract and the Specifications herein referenced, the terms of this Contract and Specifications herein referenced shall apply.

City's Public Relations Image – The Consultant's personnel shall at all times handle complaints and any public contact with due regard to the City's relationship with the public. Any personnel in the employ of the Consultant involved in the execution of work that is deemed to be conducting him/herself in an unacceptable manner shall be removed from the project at the request of the City Manager.

Dress Code – All personnel in the employ of the Consultant(s) shall be appropriately attired. Employees engaged in the course of work shall wear company uniforms neat and clean in appearance, readily identifiable to all City employees and the public. No tee shirts with obscene pictures or writings will be allowed. Swimsuits, tank tops, shorts and sandals are also prohibited. Safety toed shoes shall be worn at all times.

Patent Fees, Royalties, and Licenses – If the Consultant requires or desires to use any design, trademark, device, material or process covered by letters of patent or copyright, the Consultant and his surety shall indemnify and hold harmless the City from any and all claims for infringement in connection with the work agreed to be performed. The Consultant shall indemnify the City from any cost, expense, royalty or damage which the City may be obligated to pay by reason of any infringement at any time during the prosecution of or after completion of the work.

Permits - The Consultant shall be responsible for obtaining all permits, licenses, certifications, etc., required by Federal, State, County, and Municipal laws, regulations, codes, and ordinances for the performance of the work required in these specifications and to conform with the requirements of said legislation. The Consultant shall be required to complete a **W-9 Taxpayer Identification Form**, provided with the City's contract, and return it with the signed contract and insurance documents

Cooperative Purchasing Agreement - This contract may be expanded to include other governmental agencies provided a cooperative purchasing agreement exists or an inter-local agreement for joint purchasing exists between the City of Port St. Lucie and other public agencies. Consultant(s) may agree to allow other public agencies the same items at the same terms and conditions as this contract, during the period of time that this contract is in effect. Each political entity will be responsible for execution of its own requirements with the Consultant.

Contractual Relations - The Consultant(s) are advised that nothing contained in the contract or specifications shall create any contractual relations between the City and Sub-Consultant of the Consultant(s).

Standard Production Items - All products offered must be standard production items that have been available to the trade for a period of not less than two (2) years and are expected to remain available in future years.

SECTION XVII **ASSIGNMENT**

Consultant shall not delegate, assign or subcontract any part of the work under this Contract or assign any monies due him hereunder without first obtaining the written consent of the City.

SECTION XVIII **TERMINATION, DELAYS AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

If the Consultant refuses or fails to prosecute the work with such diligence as will insure its completion within the time specified in this Contract, or as may be modified in accordance with this Contract, the City by written notice to the Consultant, may terminate Consultant's rights to proceed. On such termination, the City may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and the Consultant and his sureties shall be liable to the City for any additional cost incurred by it in its completion of the work.

The City may terminate this Contract with or without cause by giving the Consultant thirty (30) days' notice in writing. Upon delivery of said notice, the Consultant shall discontinue all services in connection with the performance of this Contract and shall proceed to promptly cancel all related existing third-party contracts. Termination of the Contract by the City pursuant to this paragraph shall terminate all of the City's obligations hereunder, and no charges, penalties or other costs shall be due Consultant except for work timely completed.

The obligation to provide further services under this Contract may be terminated by either party upon thirty (30) days written notice in the event of substantial failure by the other party to perform in accordance with the terms hereof through no fault of the terminating party. In the event of any termination, the terminating party will be paid all compensation earned for services performed through the date of cancellation.

SECTION XIX **LAW, VENUE AND WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL**

This Contract is to be construed as though made in and to be performed in the State of Florida and is to be governed by the laws of Florida in all respects without reference to the laws of any other state or nation. The venue of any action taken to enforce this Contract shall be in St. Lucie County, Florida.

The Parties to this Contract hereby freely, voluntarily and expressly, waive their respective rights to trial by jury on any issues so triable after having the opportunity to consult with an attorney.

SECTION XX
APPROPRIATION APPROVAL

The Consultant acknowledges that the City of Port St Lucie's performance and obligation to pay under this Contract is contingent upon an annual appropriation by the City Council. The Consultant agrees that, in the event such appropriation is not forthcoming, this Contract may be terminated by the City and that no charges, penalties or other costs shall be assessed.

SECTION XXI
TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATIONS

In accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, the Consultant agrees to execute a truth-in-negotiations certificate and agrees that the original Contract price and any additions may be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the Contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs.

SECTION XXII
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The City hereby acknowledges that the Consultant may be performing professional services for private developers within the Treasure Coast area. Should a conflict of interest arise between providing services to the City and/or other clients, the Consultant shall terminate its relationship with the other client to resolve the conflict of interest. The City Manager shall determine whether a conflict of interest exists. At the time of each Project Proposal the Consultant shall disclose all of its Treasure Coast clients and related Scope of Work.

SECTION XXIII
PUBLIC RECORDS / TRADE SECRETS / COPYRIGHT

The Proposer's response to the City's proposal request is a public record pursuant to Florida law, which is subject to disclosure by the City under the State of Florida Public Records Law, [Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07](#) ("Public Records Law"). The City shall permit public access to all documents, papers, letters or other material submitted in connection with this City's proposal request and the Contract to be executed as subject to the provisions of Chapter 119.07 of the Florida Statutes.

Any language contained in the Proposer's response to the Solicitation purporting to require confidentiality of any portion of the Proposer's response to the Solicitation, except to the extent that certain information is in the City's opinion a Trade Secret pursuant to Florida law, shall be void. If a Proposer submits any documents or other information to the City which the Proposer claims is Trade Secret information and exempt from Florida Statutes Chapter 119.07 ("Public Records Laws"), the Proposer shall clearly designate that it is a Trade Secret and that it is asserting that the document or information is exempt. The Proposer must specifically identify the exemption being claimed under Florida Statutes 119.07. The City shall be the final arbiter of whether any information contained in the Proposer's response to the Solicitation constitutes a Trade Secret. The city's determination of whether an exemption applies shall be final, and the Proposer agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the city and the city's officers, employees, and agent, against any loss or damages incurred by any person or entity as a result of the city's treatment of records as public records. Proposals purporting to be subject to copyright protection in full or in part will be rejected.

EXCEPT FOR CLEARLY MARKED PORTIONS THAT ARE BONA FIDE TRADE SECRETS PURSUANT TO FLORIDA LAW, DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION AS PROPRIETARY OR CONFIDENTIAL. DO NOT MARK YOUR RESPONSE TO THE SOLICITATION OR ANY PART THEREOF AS COPYRIGHTED.

SECTION XXIV
PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

The Consultant warrants that he or she has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Consultant to solicit or secure this Contract and that he or she has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Consultant any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Contract.

SECTION XXV
ATTORNEY'S FEES

If this matter is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, or in the event suit or action is instituted by the City to enforce any of the terms or conditions of the Contract, Consultant shall pay to the City, in such suit or action in both trial court and appellate court, the City's costs, and reasonable attorney's fees for the anticipated cost of collection and judgment enforcement.

SECTION XXVI
CODE OF ETHICS

Consultant warrants and represents that its employees will abide by any applicable provisions of the State of Florida Code of Ethics in [Chapter 112.311 et seq.](#), Florida Statutes, and Code of Ethics Ordinances in [Section 9.14 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code](#).

SECTION XXVII
POLICY OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

Consultant shall not discriminate against any person in its operations, activities or delivery of services under this Contract. Consultant shall affirmatively comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state and local equal employment laws and shall not engage in or commit any discriminatory practice against any person based on race, age, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, marital status, physical or mental disability, political affiliation or any other factor which cannot be lawfully used as a basis for service delivery.

SECTION XXVIII
SEVERABILITY

The Parties to this Contract expressly agree that it is not their intention to violate any public policy, statutory or common law rules, regulations, or decisions of any governmental or regulatory body. If any provision of this Contract is judicially or administratively interpreted or construed as being in violation of any such policy, rule, regulation, or decision, the provision, sections, sentence, word, clause, or combination thereof causing such violation will be inoperative (and in lieu thereof there will be inserted such provision, section, sentence, word, clause, or combination thereof as may be valid and consistent with the intent of the Parties under this Contract) and the remainder of this Contract, as amended, will remain binding upon the Parties, unless the inoperative provision would cause enforcement of the remainder of this Contract to be inequitable under the circumstances.

SECTION XXIX
ENTIRE AGREEMENT

The written terms and provisions of this Contract shall supersede any and all prior verbal or written statements of any official or other representative of the City. Such statements shall not be effective or be construed as entering into, or forming a part of, or altering in any manner whatsoever, this Contract or Contract documents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this contract, the day and year first above written.

CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE FLORIDA

[Signature] CONSULTANT

By: _____
Purchasing Agent

By: _____
Authorized Representative

State of: Florida County of: Palm Beach

Before me personally appeared: Cindee LaCourse-Blum
(Please print)

Please check one:

Personally known _____
Produced Identification: Driver's License
(Type of identification)

and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to and before me that She executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.
(s/he)

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 21 day of January, 2021.

[Signature]
Notary Signature

Notary Public State of Fla at Large.

My Commission Expires 8/23/2022

(seal)

