



BOARD REPORT

NO. 16-157

DATE July 13, 2016

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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: ATHLETIC SURFACE INSPECTION, TESTING AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES- AWARD OF CONTRACT

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R. Barajas	_____	K. Regan	_____
H. Fujita	_____	N. Williams	<u>NDW</u>



General Manager

Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Find, in accordance with Charter Section 1022, that the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) does not have, available in its employ, personnel with sufficient time or necessary expertise to perform athletic surface inspections, testing and other related services, and it is more feasible, economical and in the RAP's best interest, to secure these services by contract to perform this work as-needed and on an occasional, but frequent basis, without engaging in a new open competitive bidding process for each individual project to be performed;
2. Find, in accordance with Charter Section 371(e)(2) and Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.15(a)(2), that a competitive bidding is not practicable or advantageous as it is necessary for RAP to be able to call on contractors to perform this work as-needed and on an occasional, but frequent, basis without engaging in a new competitive process for each individual project to be performed; however, from among as-needed contractors each individual project is assigned on the basis of availability of an as-needed contractor to perform the work, the price to be charged and the unique expertise of the as-needed contractor;
3. Find, in accordance with Charter Section 371(e)(10), that use of competitive bidding would be undesirable, impractical or impossible or is otherwise excused by the common law and the Charter because, unlike the purchase of a specified product, there is no single criterion, such as price comparison, that will determine which proposer can best provide the services required by RAP to provide athletic surface inspections, testing and other related services;
4. Find, in accordance with Charter Section 372, that obtaining competitive proposals or bids for each individual project for which work may be performed pursuant to this is not

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reasonably practicable or compatible with RAP's interests of having available as-needed contractors who are assigned various projects on the basis of availability, price, and expertise, and that it is therefore necessary to have several as-needed contractors for this type of service available when called upon by RAP to perform services;

5. Approve the selection process for the selection of qualified firms;
6. Approve the proposed contract (Contract), herein included as Attachment 3, between the City of Los Angeles and DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C, for as-needed athletic surface inspection, testing and related professional services for a three-year contract, specifying the terms and conditions, subject to approval of the Mayor and the City Attorney as to form;

Contractor:

- 1) DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C.
31566 Railroad Canyon Rd., Suite 2
Canyon Lake, California 92587-9446
7. Direct the Board Secretary to transmit the Contract to the Mayor in accordance with Executive Directive No. 3 and concurrently, to the City Attorney for review and approval as to form; and,
8. Authorize the Board President and Secretary to execute the Contract upon receipt of the necessary approvals.

SUMMARY

On April 6, 2016, the Board approved a Request for Bid (RFB) for Athletic Surface Inspection, Testing and Related Professional Services (Report No. 16-088), which was released April 12, 2016. On May 10, 2016, the Department received one (1) bid in response to the RFB. The responder was:

- 1) DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C.

Athletic Surface Inspections include, but are not limited to, the assessment and inspection of new and existing natural grass turf, all weather turf (synthetic), basketball courts (indoor/ outdoor), volleyball courts (indoor/ outdoor), racquetball courts (indoor/ outdoor), tennis courts, running tracks, playground surfacing and golf greens.

The following list specifies all tests that may be required under the terms and conditions of this Contract. Each test listed is defined under Exhibit B:

- GMAX (ASTM F1936 and F355A)
- Shock Absorption and Vertical Deformation:
- Rotational Resistance (Traction):

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- Slip Resistance Scale and Deceleration:
- Vertical Ball Rebound:
- Ball Roll:
- Off Site Plant Material Inspections:
- Permeability of Synthetic Turf Sports Field Base Stone and Surface System (ASTM F2898):
- Compaction (ASTM D-1557 or D-698):

Related Professional Services may include, but are not limited to, submittal review and approvals, sub-base and final athletic surface inspection and approvals in accordance to the City's scope of work, performance specifications, material inspection, approval and certification (on and off site), athletic surface installation inspection, certification and/or project design/engineering as it relates to athletic surface installation.

The Bidder underwent two levels of reviews. The Level I review focused on whether the Bidder submitted a completed bid package as required. All required forms were reviewed for content and required signatures. The Bidder submitted a completed bid package and was deemed responsive for the Level I review. The Level II review focused on the Bidder's actual qualifications and experience in performing the required athletic surface inspection, testing and related professional services as detailed in the RFB package. The following is the minimum qualifications that the Bidder was required to meet:

- 1) Bidder must have ten years of experience self-performing third party athletic field testing, which includes but is not limited to *GMAX, Shock Absorption and Vertical Deformation, Rotational Resistance (Traction), Slip Resistance Scale and Deceleration, Vertical Ball Rebound and Ball Roll Tests*. Bidder must provide a job history reflecting work performed going back to April 1, 2011 to current, description of test/s performed, type of equipment used for test (Deltec, Clegg, etc.), valid contact person/s and contact phone numbers who can verify work performed.
- 2) Bidder must currently have Professional Liability Insurance of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) or more.
- 3) Bidder must own and self-operate independent manufactured equipment not associated to any testing company. No conflict of interest will be allowed as it relates to the Tester's association with the Testing Equipment Manufacture.
- 4) Work Experience: Bidder must provide a list of ten synthetic field projects in the State of California, within the last five years. The Bidder must have performed the following tasks for all listed projects:
 - a) Off Site Plant Material Inspections: Bidder must provide evidence that they have performed a plant material inspection for each project listed. The plant material inspection must have included yarn type verification, determining average yarn denier, verifying manufacturing yarn uniformity and pile height and coloration throughout the manufacturing "run", verifying primary backing, perforation requirements and verifying

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the urethane coating is consistently applied and the turf and tuft binding is strong. Bidders must provide actual reports generated for client.

- b) Field Testing, which includes GMAX, Shock Absorption and Vertical Deformation, Rotational Resistance (Traction), Slip Resistance Scale and Deceleration, Vertical Ball Rebound and Ball Roll Tests for each project. Bidder must provide copies of at least five (5) reports associated with the listed projects.
 - c) Bidder must have inspected and provided a final report certifying that all ten field projects were safe for play.
- 5) Bidder must be a current member of the Sports Turf Managers Association (STMA). Bidder must provide evidence of their current membership affiliation.

The bidder was required to provide bid prices on the "Bid Sheet" located on pages 19 and 20 of the RFB package. These bid prices are provided on Exhibit "A" of this Report. Because there was only one bid provided in this bid process, Staff does not have a low bidder determination. Because there is only one bid submittal, Staff needed to performed a market research analysis to determine whether the current bid met market pricing for the same services provided. Based on Staff's market research, the bid prices for line items 1-8 were equal or below market pricing. Bid line items 9-13 were more difficult to determine due to the complexity of the bundled services requested (i.e. various testing, inspections, plans and specification review/ approvals and attendance of five or more project meetings), complicated the market analysis. Most testing laboratories do not provide point of sale material inspection and testing, plans/ specification and submittal review and approvals. We based our market analysis for line items 9-13 on what the City has paid historically for similar services. Based on the Staff's market analysis, the bidder's prices for bid line items 1-13 are acceptable and in line with current market rates.

The selected Bidder is recommended to the Board for a three-year contract, in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) per year. The contract amount is an estimate and RAP does not guarantee that the contract maximum amount will be reached. The professional services that RAP is requesting shall be on an as-needed basis; RAP, in entering into an agreement, guarantees no minimum amount of business or compensation. Contracts awarded through this RFB shall be subject to funding availability and early termination by RAP, as provided in the Standard Provisions for City Contracts.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Funding for projects will be provided from various funding sources including to but not limited to Proposition K, Quimby, and Proposition 40.

This Report was prepared by Jim Newsom, Sr. Management Analyst I, Finance Division.

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LIST OF ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

- 1) Exhibit A – Bid Sheet
- 2) Exhibit B – Athletic Surface Testing Services
- 3) Proposed Contract

EXHIBIT A
BID SHEET

<u>Line Item</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
1) GMAX Test of a field size 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$900.00</u>
2) Shock Absorption and Vertical Deformation Test: Fields 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$1,200.00</u>
3) Rotational Resistance (Traction) Test for field size 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$900.00</u>
4) Slip Resistance Scale and Deceleration Test for field size 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$1,200.00</u>
5) Vertical Ball Rebound Test for field size 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$200.00</u>
6) Ball Roll Test for field size 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$200.00</u>
7) Permeability of Synthetic Turf Sports Fields (ASTM F-2898) for field Size of 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$1,800.00</u>
8) Compaction (ASTM D-1557 or D-698) for field size of 0-117,000 sf.	<u>\$2,400.00</u>
9) Off Site Plant Material Inspection (Per Visit)	<u>\$2,500.00</u>

EXHIBIT A (CONTINUED)

BID SHEET

Bid Price

- 10) Inspection and testing of one (1) new field Construction project (0-117K sf) which will include all testing (bid items 1-9), off/on site material inspection, submittal review/ approval of athletic field material and attendance of at least five (5) construction meetings. \$17,000.00
- 11) Inspection and testing of two (2) to four (4) new Field Construction projects (0-117K sf each), which will include all testing (bid items 1-9), off/on site material inspection, submittal review/ approval of athletic field material and attend up to five (5) construction meetings related to the project. \$25,000.00
- 12) Inspection and testing of one (1) field retrofit project (0-117K sf) which will include the testing listed on (bid items 1-6, 9), off/on site material inspection, submittal review/ approval of athletic field material and attendance of at least five (5) construction meetings. \$11,000.00
- 13) Inspection and testing of two (2) to four (4) field retrofit projects (0-117K sf) which, will include the testing listed on (bid items 1-6, 9), off/on site material inspection, submittal review/ approval of athletic field material and attendance of at least five (5) construction meetings. \$16,000.00

EXHIBIT B
ATHLETIC SURFACE TESTING SERVICES

- 1) *GMAX* (ASTM F1936 and F355A) – Gives an indication of high impact shock absorption.
- 2) *Shock Absorption and Vertical Deformation*: Measures the impact absorption provided by synthetic turf to a player running (lower extremity impact) or falling on as well as the foot stability of the surface as a player runs across it. Excess deformation of a surface could lead to over strained joints and fatigue.
- 3) *Rotational Resistance* (Traction): Measures the interaction between the shoe sole and the surface of artificial grass relating to the ability of a player to change direction.
- 4) *Slip Resistance Scale and Deceleration*: Measures the ability of studs to slide through the surface without causing the player to slip over. Slip resistance deceleration measures the deceleration experienced by the player's shoe as it makes contact with the surface. If the deceleration is too high, damages to joints and ligaments may occur.
- 5) *Vertical Ball Rebound*: Measures how high the ball bounces when falling vertically onto a synthetic turf field. (Although a method for soccer, this also gives an indication of consistent infill levels throughout the playing surface in a low cost tool).
- 6) *Ball Roll*: Measures how far the ball rolls onto synthetic grass compared to natural grass. (Although a method for soccer, this also gives an indication whether or not grass piles are standing up in a low cost tool).
- 7) *Off Site Plant Material Inspections*: This site inspection will include yarn type verification, determining average yarn denier, verifying manufacturing yarn uniformity, pile height, coloration throughout the manufacturing "run", verifying primary backing, perforation requirements, verification that the urethane coating is consistently applied and the turf and tuft binding is strong.

EXHIBIT B (Continued)

- 8) *Permeability of Synthetic Turf Sports Field Base Stone and Surface System* (ASTM F2898): Measures the permeability of synthetic turf systems through a simple method, requiring no special testing apparatus, that would decrease the potential for user technique and assumption errors while at the same time providing intuitive and observable results. The method uses a predetermined flow rate from a water source, two (2) simple ball valves, sections of hose, a five (5) gallon container of measured volume, stopwatch, markers to mark the extent of water migration on the surface, and a tape measure. Water source flow rate is calculated using the time it takes to fill the five gallon container of measured volume as the basis of flow for each individual test.

- 9) *Compaction* (ASTM D-1557 or D-698): Measures compaction to a dense state to obtain satisfactory engineering properties such as shear strength, compressibility, or permeability. In addition, foundation soils are often compacted to improve their engineering properties. Laboratory compaction tests provide the basis for determining the percent compaction and molding water content needed to achieve the required engineering properties, and for controlling construction to assure that the required compaction and water contents are achieved.

CONTRACT
BETWEEN
THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
AND
DMA SPORTS DESIGN GROUP, L.L.C.

ATHLETIC SURFACE INSPECTION, TESTING AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This CONTRACT is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20__, by and between the City of Los Angeles, a municipal corporation, acting by and through its Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as CITY), and DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C., hereinafter referred to as CONTRACTOR.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, CITY owns various facilities and infrastructure throughout the City of Los Angeles and is responsible for the maintenance and improvements for such facilities and infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Recreation and Parks (DEPARTMENT) requires the services of an experienced and responsible CONTRACTOR to perform athletic surface inspections, testing and related professional services for the DEPARTMENT; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Bid (RFB) for athletic surface inspection, testing and related professional services was released on April 12, 2016, and one (1) bid to the RFB was received on May 10, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the CONTRACTOR'S bid met the minimum requirement for athletic surface inspections, testing and related professional services requirements as specified in the RFB; and

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR has the necessary equipment and staff who possess sufficient knowledge, expertise, and experience required to provide the necessary services and has indicated its willingness to perform such services; and

WHEREAS, CITY, pursuant to Charter Section 371(e)(2), finds that competitive bidding is not practicable or advantageous as it is necessary for the DEPARTMENT to be able to call on contractors to perform this technical and expert work as-needed and on an occasional, but frequent, basis without engaging in a new competitive process for each individual project to be performed; however, from among as-needed contractors each individual project is assigned on the basis of availability of an as-needed contractor to perform the work, the price to be charged and the unique expertise of the as-needed contractor; and,

WHEREAS, CITY, pursuant to Charter Section 372 and Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.15(a)(2), finds that obtaining competitive proposals or bids for each individual project for which work may be performed pursuant to this agreement is not reasonably practicable or compatible with the DEPARTMENT's interests of having available as-needed contractors who are assigned various projects on the basis of availability, price and expertise and that it is therefore necessary to have several as-needed contractors for this type of service available when called upon by the DEPARTMENT to perform services; and,

WHEREAS, CITY, pursuant to Charter Section 371(e)(10), finds that use of competitive bidding would be undesirable, impractical or impossible or is otherwise excused by the common law and the Charter because, unlike the purchase of a specified product, there is no single criterion, such as price comparison, that will determine which proposer can best provide the services required by DEPARTMENT to provide as-needed athletic surface inspections, testing and related professional services;

WHEREAS, CITY, pursuant to Charter Section 1022, finds that DEPARTMENT does not have sufficient or adequate personnel in its employ to undertake this task on an emergency basis and it is more feasible and economical to secure said services by contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, CITY AND CONTRACTOR, in consideration of the recitals above and of the terms, covenants, and conditions contained herein, agree as follows:

SECTION 1 - PARTIES TO CONTRACT, REPRESENTATIVES AND NOTICE

1.1 Parties

The parties to this CONTRACT are:

CITY - The City of Los Angeles, a municipal corporation, acting by and through its Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners, having its principal office located at 221 North Figueroa Street, Suite 300, Los Angeles, California, 90012.

CONTRACTOR – DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C., having its principal office located at 31566 Railroad Canyon Road, Suite 2, Canyon Lake, CA 92587.

1.2 Representatives

The representatives of the parties who are authorized to administer this CONTRACT and to whom formal notices, demands and communications will be given for as follows:

CITY's representative will be:

Michael A. Shull, General Manager
Department of Recreation and Parks
221 N. Figueroa St., Suite 350
Los Angeles, CA 90012

With copies to:

Jim Newsom, Senior Management Analyst I
Department of Recreation and Parks
221 N. Figueroa St., Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Telephone Number: (818) 756-9294
Fax Number: (818) 908-9786

CONTRACTOR'S representative will be:

Joseph DiGeronimo, Principle
DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C.
31566 Railroad Canyon Road, Suite 2
Canyon Lake, CA 92587-9446

Telephone Number: (508) 579-8015
Email: dgeronimo@aol.com

1.3 Notices

Formal notices, demands and communications to be given hereunder by either party will be made in writing and may be effected by personal delivery or certified mail, return receipt requested, and will be deemed communicated as of the date of receipt.

If the person designated to receive the notices, demands or communications or the address of such person is changed, written notice shall be given, in accord with this ARTICLE, within five (5) working days of the change.

SECTION 2 - TERM OF CONTRACT

The term of this contract shall be three (3) years from the date of execution between the CONTRACTOR and CITY, subject to earlier termination by DEPARTMENT as provided in Appendix A – The Standard Provisions for City Contracts (Rev. 3/09).

SECTION 3 - SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY THE CONTRACTOR

3.1 Conduct of Operations

- A. At all times, work must conform to all current, relevant Federal, State and Local Charter and Municipal Codes and Regulations.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall endeavor to maintain good public relations at all times. The work shall be conducted in a manner that will cause the least possible interference with or annoyance to park patrons or employees.
- C. A qualified supervisor shall be present and readily available to City personnel and the public during hours of operation at each work site. The site supervisor shall be available to the Contract Inspector at all times during normal working hours. Avoiding contact with the Contract Inspector may result in suspension of work without extension.
- D. CONTRACTOR's working hours must coincide with those of DEPARTMENT (Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., excluding City holidays). DEPARTMENT must approve in advance any deviation from these hours and/or work on weekends and/or holidays.
- E. CONTRACTOR shall carefully protect from damage all existing trees, shrubs, plants, fences, and other features. The CONTRACTOR shall be liable for any and all damage(s) caused by contract operations to such trees, shrubs, plants, other growth and features or property. All damaged trees, shrubs, plants, other growth and features, and property shall be replaced or restored to their original condition to the satisfaction of the Contract Inspector at CONTRACTOR's expense.
- F. Contractor will be responsible for all safety requirements and certifications in accordance with CAL-OSHA rules and regulations. It will be the CONTRACTOR's responsibility to assess the work location and implement safety controls and procedures that are compliant with Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations. All projects will be awarded to CONTRACTOR as a "Single Employer" in accordance with CAL OSHA classifications. CONTRACTOR will be responsible and have full control over all activities as well as safety requirements thereof, for each as-need project awarded.

- G. All work shall be completed to the satisfaction of the Department of Recreation and Parks Contract Inspector. Work will be considered complete only when signed off by the Contract Inspector. Work shall be performed to the specifications as determined by DEPARTMENT.
- H. Failure to comply with any requirement contained herein may result in suspension of work without extension.
- I. The Contract Inspector must approve any request for subcontracting of work prior to such subcontracting.
- J. CONTRACTOR shall provide equipment and personnel for all tasks.

3.2 SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY CONTRACTOR:

Athletic surface inspection, testing and related professional services includes but is not limited to:

3.2.1 Athletic Surface Inspection: Surface inspections include but are not limited to the assessment and inspection of new and existing natural grass turf, all weather turf (synthetic), basketball courts (indoor/ outdoor), volleyball courts (indoor/ outdoor), racquetball courts (indoor/ outdoor), tennis courts, running tracks, playground surfacing and golf greens.

3.2.2 Testing: Testing of athletic surfaces includes:

1. GMAX (ASTM F1936 and F355A) – Gives an indication of high impact shock absorption.
2. Shock Absorption and Vertical Deformation: Measures the impact absorption provided by synthetic turf to a player running (lower extremity impact) or falling on as well as the foot stability of the surface as a player runs across it. Excess deformation of a surface could lead to over strained joints and fatigue.
3. Rotational Resistance (Traction): Measures the interaction between the shoe sole and the surface of artificial grass relating to the ability of a player to change direction.
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5. Vertical Ball Rebound: Measures how high the ball bounces when falling vertically onto a synthetic turf field. (Although a method for soccer, this also gives an indication of consistent infill levels throughout the playing surface in a low cost tool).
 6. Ball Roll: Measures how far the ball rolls onto synthetic grass compared to natural grass. (Although a method for soccer, this also gives an indication whether or not grass piles are standing up in a low cost tool).
 7. Off Site Plant Material Inspections: This site inspection will include yarn type verification, determining average yarn denier, verifying manufacturing yarn uniformity, pile height, coloration throughout the manufacturing "run", verifying primary backing, perforation requirements, verification that the urethane coating is consistently applied and the turf and tuft binding is strong.
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 9. Compaction (ASTM D-1557 or D-698): Measures compaction to a dense state to obtain satisfactory engineering properties such as shear strength, compressibility, or permeability. In addition, foundation soils are often compacted to improve their engineering properties. Laboratory compaction tests provide the basis for determining the percent compaction and molding water content needed to achieve the required engineering properties, and for controlling construction to assure that the required compaction and water contents are achieved.
- 3.2.3 Related Professional Services: may include but are not limited to, submittal review and approval, sub-base and final athletic surface inspection and approval in accordance to the City's scope of work and performance specifications, material inspection, approval and certification (on and off site), athletic surface installation inspection, certification, project design/ engineering as it relates to athletic surface installation.

SECTION 4 - SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY DEPARTMENT

- 4.1 DEPARTMENT personnel will work cooperatively with the CONTRACTOR to ensure timely approvals of all items required under this contract.

- 4.2 DEPARTMENT will promptly act, review, and make decisions as necessary to permit the orderly progress of this work.

SECTION 5 - INSPECTION

- 5.1 CONTRACTOR must request final inspection from DEPARTMENT representative for work completed at each site.
- 5.2 CONTRACTOR will receive written notification for any services and/or delivery determined by the Project Manager (or his/her designee) to be below an acceptable level. This notification shall be in the form of a "Notice to Correct Unacceptable Service."
- 5.3 CONTRACTOR shall respond in writing to the Project Manager indicating the steps taken to correct the unacceptable service. If unacceptable service is not corrected after CONTRACTOR receives the "Notice to Correct Unacceptable Service," payment may be withheld by DEPARTMENT until corrections are made.
- 5.4 If unacceptable service continues, or if CONTRACTOR receives three (3) or more such notices, CITY may terminate the contract as described in PSC-10-Termination, of the Standard Provisions for City Contracts (Rev. 3/09), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Appendix A.

SECTION 6 - COMPENSATION AND INVOICING

6.1 Compensation

DEPARTMENT will pay CONTRACTOR an amount for service outlined in the "Notice to Proceed" for each individual project. The total for this contract will not exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) annually. CITY will monitor this not-to-exceed aggregate total.

- 6.2 CONTRACTOR shall inform DEPARTMENT of any additional project costs due to unforeseen delays and unexpected changes to the scope of work. Additional project costs shall be itemized by CONTRACTOR and approved by DEPARTMENT before payment is made to CONTRACTOR.
- 6.3 CONTRACTOR must provide a report for each service line item that is awarded to the CONTRACTOR. These reports should reflect all pertinent information as it relates to the test and/or inspection performed. The Report should have the CONTRACTOR's business name, address, contract number and contact phone, email and location where the service was performed. All billings must reflect the line item pricing listed in Section 7 of this contract document. No payments shall be made by City accounting staff without an authorized signature from City Staff.

6.4 Partial Payments may be requested by CONTRACTOR provided that the City approves such request.

6.4 Invoicing

CONTRACTOR shall invoice upon completion of job by submitting two (2) copies of the invoice, which details the work performed in accordance with the original scope of services and any approved amendments to the scope, within thirty (30) days of completion of service.

CONTRACTOR shall submit invoices to:

Department of Recreation and Parks
Attention: Jim Newsom
Finance Division, Contract Administration Section
6335 Woodley Ave, Contract Administration Building
Van Nuys, CA 91406

All invoices shall be submitted on CONTRACTOR'S letterhead, containing CONTRACTOR'S official logo, or other unique and identifying information such as the name and address of CONTRACTOR. Evidence that the task has been completed, in the form of a report, brochure or photographs, shall be attached to all invoices.

Invoices and supporting documentation shall be prepared at the sole expense and responsibility of CONTRACTOR. CITY will not compensate CONTRACTOR for costs incurred in invoice preparation. DEPARTMENT may request changes to the content and format of the invoice and supporting documentation at any time. DEPARTMENT reserves the right to request additional supporting documentation to substantiate costs at any time.

Tasks that are completed by subcontractors shall be supported by subcontractor invoices, copies of pages from reports, brochures, photographs, or other unique documentation that substantiates their charges.

Failure to adhere to these policies may result in nonpayment pursuant to Charter Section 262(a), which requires the City Controller to inspect the quality, quantity, and condition of services, labor, materials, supplies, or equipment received by any City office or Department, and to approve demands before they are drawn on the Treasury.

SECTION 7 – CONTRACT SERVICE LINE ITEMS AND PRICES

Contract Line Items

- 1) GMAX Test of a field size
0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 900.00

- 2) Shock Absorption and Vertical
Deformation Test: Fields 0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 1,200.00

- 3) Rotational Resistance (Traction)
Test for field size 0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 900.00

- 4) Slip Resistance Scale and Deceleration
Test for field size 0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 1,200.00

- 5) Vertical Ball Rebound Test
for field size 0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 200.00

- 6) Ball Roll Test for field size
0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 200.00

- 7) Permeability of Synthetic Turf Sports
Fields (ASTM F-2898) for field
Size of 0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 1,800.00

- 8) Compaction (ASTM D-1557 or D-698)
for field size of 0-117,000 sf. ***** \$ 2,400.00

- 9) Off Site Plant Material Inspection
(Per Visit) ***** \$ 2,500.00

- 10) Inspection and testing of one (1)
new field Construction project (0-117K sf)
which will include all testing (bid items 1-9),
off/on site material inspection, submittal

review/ approval of athletic field material
and attendance of at least five (5)
construction meetings. ***** \$ 17,000.00

Contract Line Items Continued

11) Inspection and testing of two (2) to
four (4) new Field Construction projects
(0-117K sf each), which will include all
testing (bid items 1-9), off/on site material
inspection, submittal review/ approval
of athletic field material and attend up
to five (5) construction meetings related
to the project. ***** \$ 25,000.00

12) Inspection and testing of one (1) field
retrofit project (0-117K sf) which will
include the testing listed on (bid items 1-6, 9),
off/on site material inspection, submittal
review/ approval of athletic field material
and attendance of at least five (5)
construction meetings. ***** \$ 11,000.00

13) Inspection and testing of two (2) to
four (4) field retrofit projects (0-117K sf)
which, will include the testing listed on
(bid items 1-6, 9), off/on site material
inspection, submittal review/ approval
of athletic field material and attendance
of at least five (5) construction meetings. ***** \$ 16,000.00

SECTION 8 - INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS

This CONTRACT and Exhibits represent the entire integrated agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior written or oral representations, discussions, and agreements. The following documents are incorporated and made a part hereof by reference:

Appendix A. Standard Provisions for City Contracts (Rev. 3/09)

(Signature Page to Follow)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this CONTRACT to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives.

Executed this _____ day
of _____, 20__

THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, a municipal corporation, Department of Recreation and Parks, acting by and through its Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners

By _____
PRESIDENT

By _____
SECRETARY

Executed this _____ day
of _____, 20__

DMA Sports Design Group, L.L.C.

By _____
PRINCIPAL

By _____
SECRETARY

Approved as to Form:

MICHAEL N. FEUER
City Attorney

Date: _____

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STANDARD PROVISIONS FOR CITY CONTRACTS

PSC-1. CONSTRUCTION OF PROVISIONS AND TITLES HEREIN

All titles, subtitles, or headings in this Contract have been inserted for convenience, and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or construction of any of the terms or provisions hereof. The language of this Contract shall be construed according to its fair meaning and not strictly for or against the **CITY** or **CONTRACTOR**. The word "**CONTRACTOR**" herein in this Contract includes the party or parties identified in the Contract. The singular shall include the plural; if there is more than one **CONTRACTOR** herein, unless expressly stated otherwise, their obligations and liabilities hereunder shall be joint and several. Use of the feminine, masculine, or neuter genders shall be deemed to include the genders not used.

PSC-2. NUMBER OF ORIGINALS

The number of original texts of this Contract shall be equal to the number of the parties hereto, one text being retained by each party. At the **CITY'S** option, one or more additional original texts of this Contract may also be retained by the City.

PSC-3. APPLICABLE LAW, INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Each party's performance hereunder shall comply with all applicable laws of the United States of America, the State of California, and the **CITY**, including but not limited to, laws regarding health and safety, labor and employment, wage and hours and licensing laws which affect employees. This Contract shall be enforced and interpreted under the laws of the State of California without regard to conflict of law principles. **CONTRACTOR** shall comply with new, amended, or revised laws, regulations, and/or procedures that apply to the performance of this Contract.

In any action arising out of this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** consents to personal jurisdiction, and agrees to bring all such actions, exclusively in state or federal courts located in Los Angeles County, California.

If any part, term or provision of this Contract is held void, illegal, unenforceable, or in conflict with any law of a federal, state or local government having jurisdiction over this Contract, the validity of the remaining parts, terms or provisions of the Contract shall not be affected thereby.

PSC-4. TIME OF EFFECTIVENESS

Unless otherwise provided, this Contract shall take effect when all of the following events have occurred:

- A. This Contract has been signed on behalf of **CONTRACTOR** by the person or persons authorized to bind **CONTRACTOR** hereto;
- B. This Contract has been approved by the City Council or by the board, officer or employee authorized to give such approval;
- C. The Office of the City Attorney has indicated in writing its approval of this Contract as to form; and
- D. This Contract has been signed on behalf of the **CITY** by the person designated by the City Council, or by the board, officer or employee authorized to enter into this Contract.

PSC-5. INTEGRATED CONTRACT

This Contract sets forth all of the rights and duties of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and replaces any and all previous Contracts or understandings, whether written or oral, relating thereto. This Contract may be amended only as provided for in paragraph PSC-6 hereof.

PSC-6. AMENDMENT

All amendments to this Contract shall be in writing and signed and approved pursuant to the provisions of PSC-4.

PSC-7. EXCUSABLE DELAYS

In the event that performance on the part of any party hereto is delayed or suspended as a result of circumstances beyond the reasonable control and without the fault and negligence of said party, none of the parties shall incur any liability to the other parties as a result of such delay or suspension. Circumstances deemed to be beyond the control of the parties hereunder include, but are not limited to, acts of God or of the public enemy; insurrection; acts of the Federal Government or any unit of State or Local Government in either sovereign or contractual capacity; fires; floods; earthquakes; epidemics; quarantine restrictions; strikes; freight embargoes or delays in transportation, to the extent that they are not caused by the party's willful or negligent acts or omissions, and to the extent that they are beyond the party's reasonable control.

PSC-8. BREACH

Except for excusable delays as described in PSC-7, if any party fails to perform, in whole or in part, any promise, covenant, or agreement set forth herein, or should any representation made by it be untrue, any aggrieved party may avail itself of all rights

and remedies, at law or equity, in the courts of law. Said rights and remedies are cumulative of those provided for herein except that in no event shall any party recover more than once, suffer a penalty or forfeiture, or be unjustly compensated.

PSC-9. WAIVER

A waiver of a default of any part, term or provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver of any succeeding default or as a waiver of the part, term or provision itself. A party's performance after the other party's default shall not be construed as a waiver of that default.

PSC-10. TERMINATION

A. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

The **CITY** may terminate this Contract for the **CITY'S** convenience at any time by giving **CONTRACTOR** thirty days written notice thereof. Upon receipt of said notice, **CONTRACTOR** shall immediately take action not to incur any additional obligations, cost or expenses, except as may be reasonably necessary to terminate its activities. The **CITY** shall pay **CONTRACTOR** its reasonable and allowable costs through the effective date of termination and those reasonable and necessary costs incurred by **CONTRACTOR** to affect such termination. Thereafter, **CONTRACTOR** shall have no further claims against the **CITY** under this Contract. All finished and unfinished documents and materials procured for or produced under this Contract, including all intellectual property rights thereto, shall become **CITY** property upon the date of such termination. **CONTRACTOR** agrees to execute any documents necessary for the **CITY** to perfect, memorialize, or record the **CITY'S** ownership of rights provided herein.

B. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT

1. Except for excusable delays as provided in PSC-7, if **CONTRACTOR** fails to perform any of the provisions of this Contract or so fails to make progress as to endanger timely performance of this Contract, the **CITY** may give **CONTRACTOR** written notice of such default. If **CONTRACTOR** does not cure such default or provide a plan to cure such default which is acceptable to the **CITY** within the time permitted by the **CITY**, then the **CITY** may terminate this Contract due to **CONTRACTOR'S** breach of this Contract.
2. If a federal or state proceeding for relief of debtors is undertaken by or against **CONTRACTOR**, or if **CONTRACTOR** makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, then the **CITY** may immediately terminate this Contract.
3. If **CONTRACTOR** engages in any dishonest conduct related to the performance or administration of this Contract or violates the

CITY'S lobbying policies, then the **CITY** may immediately terminate this Contract.

4. In the event the **CITY** terminates this Contract as provided in this section, the **CITY** may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the **CITY** may deem appropriate, services similar in scope and level of effort to those so terminated, and **CONTRACTOR** shall be liable to the **CITY** for all of its costs and damages, including, but not limited, any excess costs for such services.
5. All finished or unfinished documents and materials produced or procured under this Contract, including all intellectual property rights thereto, shall become **CITY** property upon date of such termination. **CONTRACTOR** agrees to execute any documents necessary for the **CITY** to perfect, memorialize, or record the **CITY'S** ownership of rights provided herein.
6. If, after notice of termination of this Contract under the provisions of this section, it is determined for any reason that **CONTRACTOR** was not in default under the provisions of this section, or that the default was excusable under the terms of this Contract, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to PSC-10(A) Termination for Convenience.
7. The rights and remedies of the **CITY** provided in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

PSC-11. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR is acting hereunder as an independent contractor and not as an agent or employee of the **CITY**. **CONTRACTOR** shall not represent or otherwise hold out itself or any of its directors, officers, partners, employees, or agents to be an agent or employee of the **CITY**.

PSC-12. CONTRACTOR'S PERSONNEL

Unless otherwise provided or approved by the **CITY**, **CONTRACTOR** shall use its own employees to perform the services described in this Contract. The **CITY** shall have the right to review and approve any personnel who are assigned to work under this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** agrees to remove personnel from performing work under this Contract if requested to do so by the **CITY**.

CONTRACTOR shall not use subcontractors to assist in performance of this Contract without the prior written approval of the **CITY**. If the **CITY** permits the use of subcontractors, **CONTRACTOR** shall remain responsible for performing all aspects of

this Contract. The **CITY** has the right to approve **CONTRACTOR'S** subcontractors, and the **CITY** reserves the right to request replacement of subcontractors. The **CITY** does not have any obligation to pay **CONTRACTOR'S** subcontractors, and nothing herein creates any privity between the **CITY** and the subcontractors.

PSC-13. PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT OR DELEGATION

CONTRACTOR may not, unless it has first obtained the written permission of the **CITY**:

- A. Assign or otherwise alienate any of its rights under this Contract, including the right to payment; or
- B. Delegate, subcontract, or otherwise transfer any of its duties under this Contract.

PSC-14. PERMITS

CONTRACTOR and its directors, officers, partners, agents, employees, and subcontractors, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall obtain and maintain all licenses, permits, certifications and other documents necessary for **CONTRACTOR'S** performance hereunder and shall pay any fees required therefor. **CONTRACTOR** certifies to immediately notify the **CITY** of any suspension, termination, lapses, non- renewals, or restrictions of licenses, permits, certificates, or other documents.

PSC-15. CLAIMS FOR LABOR AND MATERIALS

CONTRACTOR shall promptly pay when due all amounts payable for labor and materials furnished in the performance of this Contract so as to prevent any lien or other claim under any provision of law from arising against any **CITY** property (including reports, documents, and other tangible or intangible matter produced by **CONTRACTOR** hereunder), against **CONTRACTOR'S** rights to payments hereunder, or against the **CITY**, and shall pay all amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Act with respect to such labor.

PSC-16. CURRENT LOS ANGELES CITY BUSINESS TAX REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE REQUIRED

If applicable, **CONTRACTOR** represents that it has obtained and presently holds the Business Tax Registration Certificate(s) required by the **CITY'S** Business Tax Ordinance, Section 21.00 *et seq.* of the Los Angeles Municipal Code. For the term covered by this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** shall maintain, or obtain as necessary, all such Certificates required of it under the Business Tax Ordinance, and shall not allow any such Certificate to be revoked or suspended.

PSC-17. RETENTION OF RECORDS, AUDIT AND REPORTS

CONTRACTOR shall maintain all records, including records of financial transactions, pertaining to the performance of this Contract, in their original form, in accordance with

requirements prescribed by the **CITY**. These records shall be retained for a period of no less than three years following final payment made by the **CITY** hereunder or the expiration date of this Contract, whichever occurs last. Said records shall be subject to examination and audit by authorized **CITY** personnel or by the **CITY'S** representative at any time during the term of this Contract or within the three years following final payment made by the **CITY** hereunder or the expiration date of this Contract, whichever occurs last. **CONTRACTOR** shall provide any reports requested by the **CITY** regarding performance of this Contract. Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR**, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall include a like provision for work to be performed under this Contract.

PSC-18. FALSE CLAIMS ACT

CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it is aware of liabilities resulting from submitting a false claim for payment by the **CITY** under the False Claims Act (Cal. Gov. Code §§ 12650 *et seq.*), including treble damages, costs of legal actions to recover payments, and civil penalties of up to \$10,000 per false claim.

PSC-19. BONDS

All bonds which may be required hereunder shall conform to **CITY** requirements established by Charter, ordinance or policy, and shall be filed with the Office of the City Administrative Officer, Risk Management for its review and acceptance in accordance with Sections 11.47 through 11.56 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.

PSC-20. INDEMNIFICATION

Except for the active negligence or willful misconduct of the **CITY**, or any of its Boards, Officers, Agents, Employees, Assigns and Successors in Interest, **CONTRACTOR** undertakes and agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the **CITY** and any of its Boards, Officers, Agents, Employees, Assigns, and Successors in Interest from and against all suits and causes of action, claims, losses, demands and expenses, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees (both in house and outside counsel) and cost of litigation (including all actual litigation costs incurred by the **CITY**, including but not limited to, costs of experts and consultants), damages or liability of any nature whatsoever, for death or injury to any person, including **CONTRACTOR'S** employees and agents, or damage or destruction of any property of either party hereto or of third parties, arising in any manner by reason of the negligent acts, errors, omissions or willful misconduct incident to the performance of this Contract by **CONTRACTOR** or its subcontractors of any tier. Rights and remedies available to the **CITY** under this provision are cumulative of those provided for elsewhere in this Contract and those allowed under the laws of the United States, the State of California, and the **CITY**. The provisions of PSC-20 shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.

PSC-21. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INDEMNIFICATION

CONTRACTOR, at its own expense, undertakes and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the **CITY**, and any of its Boards, Officers, Agents, Employees, Assigns,

and Successors in Interest from and against all suits and causes of action, claims, losses, demands and expenses, including, but not limited to, attorney's fees (both in house and outside counsel) and cost of litigation (including all actual litigation costs incurred by the **CITY**, including but not limited to, costs of experts and consultants), damages or liability of any nature whatsoever arising out of the infringement, actual or alleged, direct or contributory, of any intellectual property rights, including, without limitation, patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, right of publicity and proprietary information right (1) on or in any design, medium, matter, article, process, method, application, equipment, device, instrumentation, software, hardware, or firmware used by **CONTRACTOR**, or its subcontractors of any tier, in performing the work under this Contract; or (2) as a result of the **CITY'S** actual or intended use of any Work Product furnished by **CONTRACTOR**, or its subcontractors of any tier, under the Agreement. Rights and remedies available to the **CITY** under this provision are cumulative of those provided for elsewhere in this Contract and those allowed under the laws of the United States, the State of California, and the **CITY**. The provisions of PSC-21 shall survive expiration or termination of this Contract.

PSC-22. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY WARRANTY

CONTRACTOR represents and warrants that its performance of all obligations under this Contract does not infringe in any way, directly or contributorily, upon any third party's intellectual property rights, including, without limitation, patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, rights of publicity and proprietary information.

PSC-23. OWNERSHIP AND LICENSE

Unless otherwise provided for herein, all Work Products originated and prepared by **CONTRACTOR** or its subcontractors of any tier under this Contract shall be and remain the exclusive property of the **CITY** for its use in any manner it deems appropriate. Work Products are all works, tangible or not, created under this Contract including, without limitation, documents, material, data, reports, manuals, specifications, artwork, drawings, sketches, computer programs and databases, schematics, photographs, video and audiovisual recordings, sound recordings, marks, logos, graphic designs, notes, websites, domain names, inventions, processes, formulas matters and combinations thereof, and all forms of intellectual property. **CONTRACTOR** hereby assigns, and agrees to assign, all goodwill, copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret and all other intellectual property rights worldwide in any Work Products originated and prepared by **CONTRACTOR** under this Contract. **CONTRACTOR** further agrees to execute any documents necessary for the **CITY** to perfect, memorialize, or record the **CITY'S** ownership of rights provided herein.

For all Work Products delivered to the **CITY** that are not originated or prepared by **CONTRACTOR** or its subcontractors of any tier under this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** hereby grants a non-exclusive perpetual license to use such Work Products for any **CITY** purposes.

CONTRACTOR shall not provide or disclose any Work Product to any third party without prior written consent of the **CITY**.

Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR** relating to this Contract, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall include a like provision for work to be performed under this Contract to contractually bind or otherwise oblige its subcontractors performing work under this Contract such that the **CITY'S** ownership and license rights of all Work Products are preserved and protected as intended herein. Failure of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with this requirement or to obtain the compliance of its subcontractors with such obligations shall subject **CONTRACTOR** to the imposition of any and all sanctions allowed by law, including but not limited to termination of **CONTRACTOR'S** contract with the **CITY**.

PSC-24. INSURANCE

During the term of this Contract and without limiting **CONTRACTOR'S** indemnification of the **CITY**, **CONTRACTOR** shall provide and maintain at its own expense a program of insurance having the coverages and limits customarily carried and actually arranged by **CONTRACTOR**, but not less than the amounts and types listed on the Required Insurance and Minimum Limits sheet (Form General 146 in Exhibit 1 hereto), covering its operations hereunder. Such insurance shall conform to **CITY** requirements established by Charter, ordinance or policy, shall comply with the Insurance Contractual Requirements (Form General 133 in Exhibit 1 hereto) and shall otherwise be in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Administrative Officer, Risk Management. **CONTRACTOR** shall comply with all Insurance Contractual Requirements shown on Exhibit 1 hereto. Exhibit 1 is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Contract.

PSC-25. DISCOUNT TERMS

CONTRACTOR agrees to offer the **CITY** any discount terms that are offered to its best customers for the goods and services to be provided hereunder and apply such discount to payments made under this Contract which meet the discount terms.

PSC-26. WARRANTY AND RESPONSIBILITY OF CONTRACTOR

CONTRACTOR warrants that the work performed hereunder shall be completed in a manner consistent with professional standards practiced among those firms within **CONTRACTOR'S** profession, doing the same or similar work under the same or similar circumstances.

PSC-27. NON-DISCRIMINATION

Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the non-discrimination provisions in Sections 10.8 through 10.8.2 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time. The **CONTRACTOR** shall comply with the applicable non-discrimination and affirmative action provisions of the laws of the United States of America, the State of California, and the **CITY**. In performing this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** shall not

discriminate in its employment practices against any employee or applicant for employment because of such person's race, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, domestic partner status, marital status or medical condition. Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR**, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall include a like provision for work to be performed under this Contract.

Failure of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with this requirement or to obtain the compliance of its subcontractors with such obligations shall subject **CONTRACTOR** to the imposition of any and all sanctions allowed by law, including but not limited to termination of **CONTRACTOR'S** contract with the **CITY**.

PSC-28. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES

Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the equal employment practices provisions in Section 10.8.3 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.

- A. During the performance of this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** agrees and represents that it will provide equal employment practices and **CONTRACTOR** and each subcontractor hereunder will ensure that in his or her employment practices persons are employed and employees are treated equally and without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.
 - 1. This provision applies to work or service performed or materials manufactured or assembled in the United States.
 - 2. Nothing in this section shall require or prohibit the establishment of new classifications of employees in any given craft, work or service category.
 - 3. **CONTRACTOR** agrees to post a copy of Paragraph A hereof in conspicuous places at its place of business available to employees and applicants for employment.
- B. **CONTRACTOR** will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of **CONTRACTOR**, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to their race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.
- C. As part of the **CITY'S** supplier registration process, and/or at the request of the awarding authority, or the Board of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance, **CONTRACTOR** shall certify in the specified format that he or she has not discriminated in the performance of **CITY** contracts against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis or because of

race, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.

- D. **CONTRACTOR** shall permit access to and may be required to provide certified copies of all of his or her records pertaining to employment and to employment practices by the awarding authority or the Office of Contract Compliance for the purpose of investigation to ascertain compliance with the Equal Employment Practices provisions of **CITY** contracts. On their or either of their request **CONTRACTOR** shall provide evidence that he or she has or will comply therewith.
- E. The failure of any **CONTRACTOR** to comply with the Equal Employment Practices provisions of this Contract may be deemed to be a material breach of **CITY** contracts. Such failure shall only be established upon a finding to that effect by the awarding authority, on the basis of its own investigation or that of the Board of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance. No such finding shall be made or penalties assessed except upon a full and fair hearing after notice and an opportunity to be heard has been given to **CONTRACTOR**.
- F. Upon a finding duly made that **CONTRACTOR** has failed to comply with the Equal Employment Practices provisions of a **CITY** contract, the contract may be forthwith canceled, terminated or suspended, in whole or in part, by the awarding authority, and all monies due or to become due hereunder may be forwarded to and retained by the **CITY**. In addition thereto, such failure to comply may be the basis for a determination by the awarding authority or the Board of Public Works that the **CONTRACTOR** is an irresponsible bidder or proposer pursuant to the provisions of Section 371 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles. In the event of such a determination, **CONTRACTOR** shall be disqualified from being awarded a contract with the **CITY** for a period of two years, or until **CONTRACTOR** shall establish and carry out a program in conformance with the provisions hereof.
- G. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the **CITY** shall have any and all other remedies at law or in equity for any breach hereof.
- H. Intentionally blank.
- I. Nothing contained in this Contract shall be construed in any manner so as to require or permit any act which is prohibited by law.
- J. At the time a supplier registers to do business with the **CITY**, or when an individual bid or proposal is submitted, **CONTRACTOR** shall agree to adhere to the Equal Employment Practices specified herein during the performance or conduct of **CITY** Contracts.

- K. Equal Employment Practices shall, without limitation as to the subject or nature of employment activity, be concerned with such employment practices as:
1. Hiring practices;
 2. Apprenticeships where such approved programs are functioning, and other on-the-job training for non-apprenticeable occupations;
 3. Training and promotional opportunities; and
 4. Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities.
- L. Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR**, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall include a like provision for work to be performed under this Contract. Failure of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with this requirement or to obtain the compliance of its subcontractors with all such obligations shall subject **CONTRACTOR** to the imposition of any and all sanctions allowed by law, including but not limited to termination of the **CONTRACTOR'S** Contract with the **CITY**.

PSC-29. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM

Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the affirmative action program provisions in Section 10.8.4 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.

- A. During the performance of a **CITY** contract, **CONTRACTOR** certifies and represents that **CONTRACTOR** and each subcontractor hereunder will adhere to an affirmative action program to ensure that in its employment practices, persons are employed and employees are treated equally and without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.
1. This provision applies to work or services performed or materials manufactured or assembled in the United States.
 2. Nothing in this section shall require or prohibit the establishment of new classifications of employees in any given craft, work or service category.
 3. **CONTRACTOR** shall post a copy of Paragraph A hereof in conspicuous places at its place of business available to employees and applicants for employment.
- B. **CONTRACTOR** will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of **CONTRACTOR**, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to

their race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.

- C. As part of the **CITY'S** supplier registration process, and/or at the request of the awarding authority or the Office of Contract Compliance, **CONTRACTOR** shall certify on an electronic or hard copy form to be supplied, that **CONTRACTOR** has not discriminated in the performance of **CITY** contracts against any employee or applicant for employment on the basis or because of race, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, marital status or medical condition.
- D. **CONTRACTOR** shall permit access to and may be required to provide certified copies of all of its records pertaining to employment and to its employment practices by the awarding authority or the Office of Contract Compliance, for the purpose of investigation to ascertain compliance with the Affirmative Action Program provisions of **CITY** contracts, and on their or either of their request to provide evidence that it has or will comply therewith.
- E. The failure of any **CONTRACTOR** to comply with the Affirmative Action Program provisions of **CITY** contracts may be deemed to be a material breach of contract. Such failure shall only be established upon a finding to that effect by the awarding authority, on the basis of its own investigation or that of the Board of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance. No such finding shall be made except upon a full and fair hearing after notice and an opportunity to be heard has been given to **CONTRACTOR**.
- F. Upon a finding duly made that **CONTRACTOR** has breached the Affirmative Action Program provisions of a **CITY** contract, the contract may be forthwith cancelled, terminated or suspended, in whole or in part, by the awarding authority, and all monies due or to become due hereunder may be forwarded to and retained by the **CITY**. In addition thereto, such breach may be the basis for a determination by the awarding authority or the Board of Public Works that the said **CONTRACTOR** is an irresponsible bidder or proposer pursuant to the provisions of Section 371 of the Los Angeles City Charter. In the event of such determination, such **CONTRACTOR** shall be disqualified from being awarded a contract with the **CITY** for a period of two years, or until he or she shall establish and carry out a program in conformance with the provisions hereof.
- G. In the event of a finding by the Fair Employment and Housing Commission of the State of California, or the Board of Public Works of the City of Los Angeles, or any court of competent jurisdiction, that **CONTRACTOR** has been guilty of a willful violation of the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, or the Affirmative Action Program provisions of a **CITY** contract, there may be deducted from the amount payable to **CONTRACTOR** by the **CITY** under the contract, a penalty of ten dollars

(\$10.00) for each person for each calendar day on which such person was discriminated against in violation of the provisions of a **CITY** contract.

- H. Notwithstanding any other provisions of a **CITY** contract, the **CITY** shall have any and all other remedies at law or in equity for any breach hereof.
- I. Intentionally blank.
- J. Nothing contained in **CITY** contracts shall be construed in any manner so as to require or permit any act which is prohibited by law.
- K. **CONTRACTOR** shall submit an Affirmative Action Plan which shall meet the requirements of this chapter at the time it submits its bid or proposal or at the time it registers to do business with the **CITY**. The plan shall be subject to approval by the Office of Contract Compliance prior to award of the contract. The awarding authority may also require contractors and suppliers to take part in a pre-registration, pre-bid, pre-proposal, or pre- award conference in order to develop, improve or implement a qualifying Affirmative Action Plan. Affirmative Action Programs developed pursuant to this section shall be effective for a period of twelve months from the date of approval by the Office of Contract Compliance. In case of prior submission of a plan, **CONTRACTOR** may submit documentation that it has an Affirmative Action Plan approved by the Office of Contract Compliance within the previous twelve months. If the approval is 30 days or less from expiration, **CONTRACTOR** must submit a new Plan to the Office of Contract Compliance and that Plan must be approved before the contract is awarded.
 - 1. Every contract of \$5,000 or more which may provide construction, demolition, renovation, conservation or major maintenance of any kind shall in addition comply with the requirements of Section 10.13 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code.
 - 2. **CONTRACTOR** may establish and adopt as its own Affirmative Action Plan, by affixing his or her signature thereto, an Affirmative Action Plan prepared and furnished by the Office of Contract Compliance, or it may prepare and submit its own Plan for approval.
- L. The Office of Contract Compliance shall annually supply the awarding authorities of the **CITY** with a list of contractors and suppliers who have developed Affirmative Action Programs. For each contractor and supplier the Office of Contract Compliance shall state the date the approval expires. The Office of Contract Compliance shall not withdraw its approval for any Affirmative Action Plan or change the Affirmative Action Plan after the date of contract award for the entire contract term without the mutual agreement of the awarding authority and **CONTRACTOR**.

- M. The Affirmative Action Plan required to be submitted hereunder and the pre-registration, pre-bid, pre-proposal or pre-award conference which may be required by the Board of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance or the awarding authority shall, without limitation as to the subject or nature of employment activity, be concerned with such employment practices as:
1. Apprenticeship where approved programs are functioning, and other on-the-job training for non-apprenticeable occupations;
 2. Classroom preparation for the job when not apprenticeable;
 3. Pre-apprenticeship education and preparation;
 4. Upgrading training and opportunities;
 5. Encouraging the use of contractors, subcontractors and suppliers of all racial and ethnic groups, provided, however, that any contract subject to this ordinance shall require the contractor, subcontractor or supplier to provide not less than the prevailing wage, working conditions and practices generally observed in private industries in the contractor's, subcontractor's or supplier's geographical area for such work;
 6. The entry of qualified women, minority and all other journeymen into the industry; and
 7. The provision of needed supplies or job conditions to permit persons with disabilities to be employed, and minimize the impact of any disability.
- N. Any adjustments which may be made in the contractor's or supplier's workforce to achieve the requirements of the **CITY'S** Affirmative Action Contract Compliance Program in purchasing and construction shall be accomplished by either an increase in the size of the workforce or replacement of those employees who leave the workforce by reason of resignation, retirement or death and not by termination, layoff, demotion or change in grade.
- O. Affirmative Action Agreements resulting from the proposed Affirmative Action Plan or the pre-registration, pre-bid, pre-proposal or pre-award conferences shall not be confidential and may be publicized by the contractor at his or her discretion. Approved Affirmative Action Agreements become the property of the **CITY** and may be used at the discretion of the **CITY** in its Contract Compliance Affirmative Action Program.
- P. Intentionally blank.

- Q. All contractors subject to the provisions of this section shall include a like provision in all subcontracts awarded for work to be performed under the contract with the **CITY** and shall impose the same obligations, including but not limited to filing and reporting obligations, on the subcontractors as are applicable to the contractor. Failure of the contractor to comply with this requirement or to obtain the compliance of its subcontractors with all such obligations shall subject the contractor to the imposition of any and all sanctions allowed by law, including but not limited to termination of the contractor's contract with the **CITY**.

PSC-30. CHILD SUPPORT ASSIGNMENT ORDERS

This Contract is subject to the Child Support Assignment Orders Ordinance, Section 10.10 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time. Pursuant to the Child Support Assignment Orders Ordinance, **CONTRACTOR** will fully comply with all applicable State and Federal employment reporting requirements for **CONTRACTOR'S** employees. **CONTRACTOR** shall also certify (1) that the Principal Owner(s) of **CONTRACTOR** are in compliance with any Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notices of Assignment applicable to them personally; (2) that **CONTRACTOR** will fully comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notices of Assignment in accordance with Section 5230, *et seq.* of the California Family Code; and (3) that **CONTRACTOR** will maintain such compliance throughout the term of this Contract.

Pursuant to Section 10.10(b) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, the failure of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with all applicable reporting requirements or to implement lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders or Notices of Assignment, or the failure of any Principal Owner(s) of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with any Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders or Notices of Assignment applicable to them personally, shall constitute a default by the **CONTRACTOR** under this Contract, subjecting this Contract to termination if such default shall continue for more than ninety (90) days after notice of such default to **CONTRACTOR** by the **CITY**.

Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR**, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall include a like provision for work to be performed under this Contract. Failure of **CONTRACTOR** to obtain compliance of its subcontractors shall constitute a default by **CONTRACTOR** under this Contract, subjecting this Contract to termination where such default shall continue for more than ninety (90) days after notice of such default to **CONTRACTOR** by the **CITY**.

CONTRACTOR certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, it is fully complying with the Earnings Assignment Orders of all employees, and is providing the names of all new employees to the New Hire Registry maintained by the Employment Development Department as set forth in Section 7110(b) of the California Public Contract Code.

PSC-31. LIVING WAGE ORDINANCE AND SERVICE CONTRACTOR WORKER RETENTION ORDINANCE

A. Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the applicable provisions of the Living Wage Ordinance (LWO), Section 10.37 *et seq.* of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time, and the Service Contractor Worker Retention Ordinance (SCWRO), Section 10.36 *et seq.*, of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time. These Ordinances require the following:

1. **CONTRACTOR** assures payment of a minimum initial wage rate to employees as defined in the LWO and as may be adjusted each July 1 and provision of compensated and uncompensated days off and health benefits, as defined in the LWO.
2. **CONTRACTOR** further pledges that it will comply with federal law proscribing retaliation for union organizing and will not retaliate for activities related to the LWO. **CONTRACTOR** shall require each of its subcontractors within the meaning of the LWO to pledge to comply with the terms of federal law proscribing retaliation for union organizing. **CONTRACTOR** shall deliver the executed pledges from each such subcontractor to the **CITY** within ninety (90) days of the execution of the subcontract. **CONTRACTOR'S** delivery of executed pledges from each such subcontractor shall fully discharge the obligation of **CONTRACTOR** with respect to such pledges and fully discharge the obligation of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with the provision in the LWO contained in Section 10.37.6(c) concerning compliance with such federal law.
3. **CONTRACTOR**, whether an employer, as defined in the LWO, or any other person employing individuals, shall not discharge, reduce in compensation, or otherwise discriminate against any employee for complaining to the **CITY** with regard to the employer's compliance or anticipated compliance with the LWO, for opposing any practice proscribed by the LWO, for participating in proceedings related to the LWO, for seeking to enforce his or her rights under the LWO by any lawful means, or otherwise asserting rights under the LWO. **CONTRACTOR** shall post the Notice of Prohibition Against Retaliation provided by the **CITY**.
4. Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR** relating to this Contract, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall be subject to the provisions of PSC-31 and shall incorporate the provisions of the LWO and the SCWRO.

5. **CONTRACTOR** shall comply with all rules, regulations and policies promulgated by the **CITY'S** Designated Administrative Agency which may be amended from time to time.
- B. Under the provisions of Sections 10.36.3(c) and 10.37.6(c) of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, the **CITY** shall have the authority, under appropriate circumstances, to terminate this Contract and otherwise pursue legal remedies that may be available if the **CITY** determines that the subject **CONTRACTOR** has violated provisions of either the LWO or the SCWRO, or both.
- C. Where under the LWO Section 10.37.6(d), the **CITY'S** Designated Administrative Agency has determined (a) that **CONTRACTOR** is in violation of the LWO in having failed to pay some or all of the living wage, and (b) that such violation has gone uncured, the **CITY** in such circumstances may impound monies otherwise due **CONTRACTOR** in accordance with the following procedures. Impoundment shall mean that from monies due **CONTRACTOR**, **CITY** may deduct the amount determined to be due and owing by **CONTRACTOR** to its employees. Such monies shall be placed in the holding account referred to in LWO Section 10.37.6(d)(3) and disposed of under procedures described therein through final and binding arbitration. Whether **CONTRACTOR** is to continue work following an impoundment shall remain in the sole discretion of the **CITY**. **CONTRACTOR** may not elect to discontinue work either because there has been an impoundment or because of the ultimate disposition of the impoundment by the arbitrator.
- D. **CONTRACTOR** shall inform employees making less than Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) per hour of their possible right to the federal Earned Income Credit (EIC). **CONTRACTOR** shall also make available to employees the forms informing them about the EIC and forms required to secure advance EIC payments from **CONTRACTOR**.

PSC-32. **AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT**

CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that it will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 *et seq.*, and its implementing regulations. **CONTRACTOR** will provide reasonable accommodations to allow qualified individuals with disabilities to have access to and to participate in its programs, services and activities in accordance with the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act. **CONTRACTOR** will not discriminate against persons with disabilities nor against persons due to their relationship to or association with a person with a disability. Any subcontract entered into by **CONTRACTOR**, relating to this Contract, to the extent allowed hereunder, shall be subject to the provisions of this paragraph.

PSC-33. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY ORDINANCE

Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the provisions of the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance, Section 10.40 *et seq.*, of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time, which requires **CONTRACTOR** to update its responses to the responsibility questionnaire within thirty calendar days after any change to the responses previously provided if such change would affect **CONTRACTOR'S** fitness and ability to continue performing this Contract.

In accordance with the provisions of the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance, by signing this Contract, **CONTRACTOR** pledges, under penalty of perjury, to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws in the performance of this Contract, including but not limited to, laws regarding health and safety, labor and employment, wages and hours, and licensing laws which affect employees. **CONTRACTOR** further agrees to:

(1) notify the **CITY** within thirty calendar days after receiving notification that any government agency has initiated an investigation which may result in a finding that **CONTRACTOR** is not in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws in performance of this Contract; (2) notify the **CITY** within thirty calendar days of all findings by a government agency or court of competent jurisdiction that **CONTRACTOR** has violated the provisions of Section 10.40.3(a) of the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance; (3) unless exempt, ensure that its subcontractor(s), as defined in the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance, submit a Pledge of Compliance to the **CITY**; and

(4) unless exempt, ensure that its subcontractor(s), as defined in the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance, comply with the requirements of the Pledge of Compliance and the requirement to notify the **CITY** within thirty calendar days after any government agency or court of competent jurisdiction has initiated an investigation or has found that the subcontractor has violated Section 10.40.3(a) of the Contractor Responsibility Ordinance in performance of the subcontract.

PSC-34. MINORITY, WOMEN, AND OTHER BUSINESS ENTERPRISE OUTREACH PROGRAM

CONTRACTOR agrees and obligates itself to utilize the services of Minority, Women and Other Business Enterprise firms on a level so designated in its proposal, if any. **CONTRACTOR** certifies that it has complied with Mayoral Directive 2001-26 regarding the Outreach Program for Personal Services Contracts Greater than \$100,000, if applicable. **CONTRACTOR** shall not change any of these designated subcontractors, nor shall **CONTRACTOR** reduce their level of effort, without prior written approval of the **CITY**, provided that such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

PSC-35. EQUAL BENEFITS ORDINANCE

Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the provisions of the Equal Benefits Ordinance (EBO), Section 10.8.2.1 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.

- A. During the performance of the Contract, **CONTRACTOR** certifies and represents that **CONTRACTOR** will comply with the EBO.
- B. The failure of **CONTRACTOR** to comply with the EBO will be deemed to be a material breach of this Contract by the **CITY**.
- C. If **CONTRACTOR** fails to comply with the EBO the **CITY** may cancel, terminate or suspend this Contract, in whole or in part, and all monies due or to become due under this Contract may be retained by the **CITY**. The **CITY** may also pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity for any breach.
- D. Failure to comply with the EBO may be used as evidence against **CONTRACTOR** in actions taken pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.40 *et seq.*, Contractor Responsibility Ordinance.
- E. If the **CITY'S** Designated Administrative Agency determines that a **CONTRACTOR** has set up or used its contracting entity for the purpose of evading the intent of the EBO, the **CITY** may terminate the Contract. Violation of this provision may be used as evidence against **CONTRACTOR** in actions taken pursuant to the provisions of Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 10.40 *et seq.*, Contractor Responsibility Ordinance.

CONTRACTOR shall post the following statement in conspicuous places at its place of business available to employees and applicants for employment:

“During the performance of a Contract with the City of Los Angeles, the Contractor will provide equal benefits to its employees with spouses and its employees with domestic partners. Additional information about the City of Los Angeles’ Equal Benefits Ordinance may be obtained from the Department of Public Works, Office of Contract Compliance at (213) 847-1922.”

PSC-36. SLAVERY DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE

Unless otherwise exempt, this Contract is subject to the Slavery Disclosure Ordinance, Section 10.41 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, as amended from time to time. **CONTRACTOR** certifies that it has complied with the applicable provisions of the Slavery Disclosure Ordinance. Failure to fully and accurately complete the affidavit may result in termination of this Contract.

EXHIBIT 1

INSURANCE CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS

CONTACT For additional information about compliance with City Insurance and Bond requirements, contact the Office of the City Administrative Officer, Risk Management at (213) 978-RISK (7475) or go online at www.lacity.org/cao/risk. The City approved Bond Assistance Program is available for those contractors who are unable to obtain the City-required performance bonds. A City approved insurance program may be available as a low cost alternative for contractors who are unable to obtain City-required insurance.

CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS

CONTRACTOR AGREES THAT:

1. Additional Insured/Loss Payee. The CITY must be included as an Additional Insured in applicable liability policies to cover the CITY'S liability arising out of the acts or omissions of the named insured. The CITY is to be named as an Additional Named Insured and a Loss Payee As Its Interests May Appear in property insurance in which the CITY has an interest, e.g., as a lien holder.

2. Notice of Cancellation. All required insurance will be maintained in full force for the duration of its business with the CITY. By ordinance, all required insurance must provide at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice (ten (10) days for non-payment of premium) directly to the CITY if your insurance company elects to cancel or materially reduce coverage or limits prior to the policy expiration date, for any reason except impairment of an aggregate limit due to prior claims.

3. Primary Coverage. CONTRACTOR will provide coverage that is primary with respect to any insurance or self-insurance of the CITY. The CITY'S program shall be excess of this insurance and non-contributing.

4. Modification of Coverage. The CITY reserves the right at any time during the term of this Contract to change the amounts and types of insurance required hereunder by giving CONTRACTOR ninety (90) days' advance written notice of such change. If such change should result in substantial additional cost to CONTRACTOR, the CITY agrees to negotiate additional compensation proportional to the increased benefit to the CITY.

5. Failure to Procure Insurance. All required insurance must be submitted and approved by the Office of the City Administrative Officer, Risk Management prior to the inception of any operations by CONTRACTOR.

CONTRACTOR'S failure to procure or maintain required insurance or a self-insurance program during the entire term of this Contract shall constitute a material breach of this Contract under which the CITY may immediately suspend or terminate this Contract or, at its discretion, procure or renew such insurance to protect the CITY'S interests and pay any and all premiums in connection therewith and recover all monies so paid from CONTRACTOR.

6. Workers' Compensation. By signing this Contract, CONTRACTOR hereby certifies that it is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 *et seq.*, of the California Labor Code which require every employer to be insured against liability for Workers' Compensation or to undertake

self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and that it will comply with such provisions at all time during the performance of the work pursuant to this Contract.

7. California Licensee. All insurance must be provided by an insurer admitted to do business in California or written through a California-licensed surplus lines broker or through an insurer otherwise acceptable to the CITY. Non-admitted coverage must contain a **Service of Suit** clause in which the underwriters agree to submit as necessary to the jurisdiction of a California court in the event of a coverage dispute. Service of process for this purpose must be allowed upon an agent in California designated by the insurer or upon the California Insurance Commissioner.

8. Aggregate Limits/Impairment. If any of the required insurance coverages contain annual aggregate limits, CONTRACTOR must give the CITY written notice of any pending claim or lawsuit which will materially diminish the aggregate within thirty (30) days of knowledge of same. You must take appropriate steps to restore the impaired aggregates or provide replacement insurance protection within thirty (30) days of knowledge of same. The CITY has the option to specify the minimum acceptable aggregate limit for each line of coverage required. No substantial reductions in scope of coverage which may affect the CITY'S protection are allowed without the CITY'S prior written consent.

9. Commencement of Work. For purposes of insurance coverage only, this Contract will be deemed to have been executed immediately upon any party hereto taking any steps that can be considered to be in furtherance of or towards performance of this Contract. The requirements in this Section supersede all other sections and provisions of this Contract, including, but not limited to, PSC-4, to the extent that any other section or provision conflicts with or impairs the provisions of this Section.