



Request for Qualifications

HHA-FY25-RFQ-001
ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING SERVICES

QUALIFICATIONS SUBMISSION DATE

August 20, 2024

4:30 PM

812 ABBEY ST., HELENA, MT 59601

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Procurement Reference number:

HHA-FY25-RFQ-001

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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

From duly qualified firms or individuals, **Helena Housing Authority (HHA), including its affiliated non-profits Helena Housing Development Corporation (HHDC) and Wilder Apartments Inc., is currently accepting qualifications for Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Services to be provided to HHA and its affiliate non-profits (herein referred to as HHA).** Qualified firms or individuals responding to this RFQ must have a minimum of five (5) years in the business of providing A&E Services, particularly in the development and/or rehabilitation of multi-family housing for Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), similar quasi-governmental or non-profit entities, or other such organizations that serve under the guidance of a Board of Commissioners or other such governing body

HHA makes reasonable accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with an applicant's ability to compete in the selection process or to perform the essential duties of the job. For HHA to make such accommodations, applicant(s) must request accommodations in writing made to the attention of HHA's Executive Director, Michael M. O'Neil: moneil@hhamt.org.

This solicitation is being offered in accordance with federal and state statutes governing procurement for professional services. Accordingly, HHA shall negotiate an agreement with the selected firm or individual based on fair and reasonable compensation and terms for the scope of services provided. HHA reserves the right to reject any and all responses it determines are unqualified, unsatisfactory, or inappropriate.

Selection will be based on evaluation of written responses. The award will be made to the most qualified respondent whose proposal is deemed most advantageous to HHA and its affiliate non-profits, all factors considered. Unsuccessful respondents will be notified as soon as possible.

Submit Paper or Electronic (*preferred*) to:

Helena Housing Authority
Attn: Michael M. O'Neil
812 Abbey St. or moneil@hhamt.org
Helena, Montana 59601

Qualifications must be received by:

TIME: 4:30 PM
DATE: Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Potential Offerors may examine and receive procurement documents at the following location:
<https://hhamt.org/procurement-contract-opportunities/>

Copies of the RFQ Response Documentation Required:

Electronic (*preferred*): One (1) complete PDF or Paper: One (1) original & two (2) copies

SPECIFICATION: HHA-FY25-RFQ-001
FUNDING SOURCES: Various (Public Housing Capital & Operating Funds, CDBG, HOME, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), and other private and governmental funds
DATE OF ISSUE: July 20, 2024

The procurement of these services is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development through the Helena Housing Authority.

Michael M. O'Neil, Executive Director, Helena Housing Authority (HHA)

ADVERTISEMENT

PER HELENA HOUSING AUTHORITY PROCUREMENT POLICY, ANY PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES WITH THE POSSIBILITY OF REACHING OR EXCEEDING A COST OF \$80,000.00 MUST BE ADVERTISED. THE FOLLOWING ADVERTISEMENT WILL APPEAR IN THE HELENA INDEPENDENT RECORD ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

- Saturday, July 20, 2024
- Tuesday, July 23, 2024
- Thursday, July 25, 2024
- Saturday, July 27, 2024
- Tuesday, July 30, 2024
- Thursday, August 1, 2024

Request for Qualifications

Notice is hereby given that Helena Housing Authority (HHA), including its affiliated non-profits Helena Housing Development Corporation and Wilder Apartments Inc., is currently accepting responses to HHA-FY25-RFQ-001: Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Services. Duly qualified firms or individuals offering a response must have a minimum of five (5) years in the business of providing A&E Services, particularly in the development and/or rehabilitation of multi-family housing for one or more Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), similar quasi-governmental or non-profit entities, or other such organizations that serve under the guidance of a Board of Commissioners or other such governing body.

Electronic responses to this RFP (preferred) must be submitted via email to moneil@hhamt.org with the subject line "Response to HHA-FY25-RFQ-001: A&E Services". Paper responses (to include one (1) original and two (2) copies) may be mailed or hand-delivered to Helena Housing Authority, Attn: Michael M. O'Neil, 812 Abbey St., Helena, MT 59601. All responses must be received no later than 4:30 PM on Tuesday, August 20, 2024. Commencing Saturday, July 20, 2024, RFQ packets will be available for download from the HHA website at <https://hhamt.org/procurement-contract-opportunities/>.

An individual/firm may email Justin Delli Bovi at jdellibovi@hhamt.org to ask any questions. Questions regarding this solicitation must be received in writing via email by 5:00 PM Tuesday August 6, 2024. Any responses to questions and/or clarifications will be added to the Procurement & Contract Opportunities page of HHA's website by 5:00PM Tuesday August 13, 2024 to ensure any updates or new information is accessible to all potential respondents in advance of the submittal deadline. Successful award of a two-year contract may include options for contract extensions up to a total of five (5) years.

Requests return receipt with affidavit.

BACKGROUND ON PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

PUBLIC HOUSING. The Low-Income Public Housing program is authorized under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended. It authorizes the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide technical and financial assistance to public housing agencies (PHAs) in the provision of decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings at affordable rents to lower-income families. The public housing program is administered at the local level by PHAs which are non-Federal public agencies authorized by State legislation and generally established by action of a town, city, county, regional area, or state.

The PHA functions in the capacity of developer, owner, and manager of its low-income public housing developments and other affordable housing. The PHA has the responsibility for planning, financing, constructing, and managing its properties subject to applicable laws and contractual relationships with HUD, other funding sources, and the local governing body. The landlord-tenant relationship of the PHA is established by virtue of its ownership of the properties and the provisions of individual leasing agreements with its tenants. The PHA performs all of the functions of a private landlord, including leasing units, collecting rents, maintaining the properties, and all of the other responsibilities related thereto.

PHA responsibilities for public housing developments are embodied in the State enabling legislation and an Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) entered into between the PHA and HUD. A PHA is required to operate each lower-income project for the purpose of providing decent, safe, and sanitary dwelling units within the financial reach of lower-income families and to operate the project with efficiency, economy, serviceability, and stability.

HUD assists PHAs financially through the ACC by providing capital funds for capital improvements to its existing housing according to the ACC. In addition, the Department provides PHAs with annual operating subsidies to assist in operating and maintaining the housing programs. Operating subsidies help cover annual deficits arising as a result of rent limits and the costs of operations, including utilities that exceed scheduled rents.

HELENA HOUSING AUTHORITY

HHA was established by resolution of the Helena City Commission in August of 1939. HHA has two affiliated non-profits: Helena Housing Development Corporation and Wilder Apartments Inc., which are used to develop, own, and manage affordable homes in the Helena area. HHA owns and operates 366 units of public housing scattered amongst 26 different sites throughout Helena. HHA currently administers 381 Local Housing Choice Vouchers, 36 Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Vouchers, and 5 Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Vouchers. HHA is also authorized to administer 229 Housing Choice Vouchers, 18 Mod Rehab vouchers, 25 VASH vouchers, 2 Emergency Housing Vouchers, and 7 Mainstream Vouchers for the State of Montana. HHA is also the managing agent for two tax credit projects of 47 units, which are treated as component units. HHA also owns three (3) buildings in Helena which it leases to community partners: the Family Investment Center, located at 347 N. Last Chance Gulch; the Helena Learning Center, located at 940 N. Roberts St.; and the Headstart building, located at 1221 Billings Ave.

HELENA HOUSING AUTHORITY RESERVED RIGHTS

- Helena Housing Authority and its affiliated non-profits Helena Housing Development Corporation (HHDC) and Wilder Apartments Inc. (herein referred to as HHA) reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive any informality in the RFQ process, or to terminate the RFQ process at any time, if deemed to be in its best interest.
- HHA reserves the right not to award a contract pursuant to this RFQ.
- HHA reserves the right to terminate a contract awarded pursuant to this RFQ, at any time for its convenience upon ten (10) days written notice to the successful Offeror.
- HHA reserves the right to determine the days, hours, and locations that the successful Offeror shall provide the services called for in this RFQ.
- ALL PROPOSAL PRICES submitted shall be FIRM FOR THE PERIOD OF (sixty) 60 days from the date proposal (s) are due. No proposal shall be considered which contains any letter or memorandum or other writing qualifying the same, to the detriment of the Housing Authority.
- HHA reserves the right to negotiate the fees proposed by the Offeror entity.
- HHA reserves the right to reject and not consider any Proposal that does not meet the requirements of this RFQ, including but not necessarily limited to, incomplete Proposals and/or Proposals offering alternate or non-requested services.
- HHA shall have no obligation to compensate any Offeror for any costs incurred in responding to this RFQ.

By: _____

Date: _____

Michael M. O'Neil
Executive Director
Helena Housing Authority

INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS AND GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. All proposals shall be ADDRESSED to: Michael M. O’Neil, Executive Director, Helena Housing Authority (moneil@hhamt.org or HHA, 812 Abbey St., Helena, MT 59601).
2. All proposals shall be delivered by the specified time. If submitting via email (preferred), please title the SUBJECT LINE “**Response to HHA-FY25-RFQ-001: A&E Services**”. If submitting in paper form, please place that same notation on the front of an envelope containing one (1) original and (2) copies.
3. ALL PROPOSALS ARE DUE no later than **4:30 PM, Tuesday, August 20, 2024**. Proposals will be referred to a selection committee for tabulation, review, and subsequent recommendations for action.

Prospective Offerors MUST RETURN ITEMS 1 – 6 to Helena Housing Authority (HHA):

1. Letter of Intent/Cover Page **briefly** describing the Offeror’s desire to submit qualifications;
2. **Statement of Qualifications** (including)
 - a) A brief description of firm’s or individual’s background, including number of years providing related or applicable A&E Services, particularly in the development and/or rehabilitation of multi-family housing, and ability and capacity to provide the services identified within the Scope of Services;
 - b) The experience and qualifications of the project team to be assigned to the project, including descriptions of the proposed project team’s past experience and track record of accurately estimating project costs of similar projects, listing project size, location, total construction cost, and name of a local official or owner’s representative knowledgeable regarding the team’s design and cost-estimating performance;
 - c) A description of project approach, including a hypothetical implementation schedule;
 - d) A detailed description of firm’s / individual’s experience working with clients in public and municipal sectors, especially experience with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) bid procedures as outlined in 24 CFR 85.36;
 - e) A description of the firm’s / individual’s familiarity and experience with local zoning, ordinances, regulations and conditions in Helena, MT, as well as familiarity and experience with contractors, engineers, and other design professionals statewide;
 - f) A Summary of Rates: In addition to any applicable hourly rates per assigned employee/staff/firm member, an estimated total number of billable hours and/or associated or offered flat fee(s) per project focus area as listed in the Scope of Services to help inform and showcase foreseeable Cost(s) of Service for HHA. Please also include any special reduced rates or discounts;

- g) A description or plan exemplifying capability and willingness to respond to the Scope of Services, as well as fluctuating, de-escalating, and/or special service needs that may arise;
 - h) A qualifications summary highlighting what makes your organization a superior choice for HHA and any value-added services not covered in the Scope of Services, which your firm can offer HHA; **and**
 - i) A minimum of four (4) references for whom you are providing relatable A&E Services or have provided such services within the past five (5) years.
 - If able, please include client references that are either Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), similar quasi-governmental or non-profit entities that provide housing, other such providers of multi-family housing, or entities or projects using federal assistance that serve under the guidance of a Board of Commissioners or other such governing body.
3. The original **signed** and **notarized** Affidavit of Non-Default form;
 4. The original **signed** and **notarized** Form of Non-Collusive Affidavit; **and**
 5. The original **signed** Certifications & Representations of Offerors - **HUD Form 5369-C**.
 6. All Offerors must submit **proof of required licenses and insurance**.
 7. **Offerors are required to submit qualification documents AS SPECIFIED ABOVE. Failure to do so will result in rejection of the RFQ response.**
 8. The Offeror agrees that contracts awarded by HHA WILL NOT BE assigned, transferred, or sublet unless specific permission to do so is requested in writing and granted in writing by HHA.
 9. All business relating to RFQ shall be transacted at HELENA HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICES, unless otherwise agreed upon in service agreements or contract documents.
 10. **A service agreement (and subsequent Fee Agreements or contract(s) per identified project(s)) will be awarded to the highest scoring responsible individual/firm whose response, all factors considered, is deemed most advantageous to HHA.**
 11. THE ANTICIPATED CONTRACT PERIOD WILL BE FROM SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2026. THE CONTRACT MAY BE RENEWED FOR UP TO AN ADDITIONAL THREE (3) YEARS, FOR A TOTAL OF FIVE (5) YEARS, DEPENDING ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE INITIAL TERM AND MUTUAL AGREEMENT OF BOTH PARTIES.
 12. The OFFEROR SHALL be responsible for any damages to HHA caused by the Offeror or his/her/its agents. The Offeror further covenants and agrees and does hereby ASSUME ALL

LIABILITY for, and shall agree to indemnify and save harmless HHA against any and all loss, costs, suits, claims, charges, or damages arising from injuries sustained by mechanics, laborers, workmen, or by any person or persons whatsoever, to their persons or property, whether employed in or about the said work or otherwise by reason on any accidents, damages, or injuries, torts, or trespasses happening in and about or in an way incident to or by reason of the performances of this contract and the performance of said work and labor, including costs, counsel fees, and all expenses of defense, and agrees to carry any applicable or other usual Property Damage and Liability Insurance and to furnish certificate therefore, when required HHA.

13. Section 3 requirements are applicable to HHA contracts as required per HUD regulation 24 CFR part 75.
14. The firm/individual (Offeror) guarantees the RFQ response submitted is not a product of collusion with any other Offeror and no effort has been made to fix any hourly rates of any Offeror or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost estimate of any response or its associated rates.
15. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM
The successful applicant must covenant and agree to abide by the Federal and State regulations pertaining to Equal Employment as set forth in EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246, 11375, 11625, and 41 CFR Part 60-4, Section III of the Housing and Urban Development Act 1968 (12 USC 170u), as amended and HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 75. In summary, these regulations require project participants not to discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, or national origin and states that project participants will take appropriate measures to employ minority-owned businesses. Also, the sponsor will make every effort to ensure that all bidders are treated fairly and equally throughout the entire advertisement, review, and selection process. The procedures established herein are designed to provide all parties reasonable access to the same basic information.
16. THE ATTACHED FORM HUD 5369-B (Attachment C) SHALL BE CONSIDERED INCLUSIVE OF THE INSTRUCTIONS. As a recipient of federal HUD funds, this is a required attachment.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

HHA is seeking Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Services from qualified, licensed, and insured entities to provide design, planning, consulting, and administrative services of its construction, rehabilitation, and property improvement projects as necessary. Services will include defining project scopes, preparing bid documents, administering construction documents, and managing construction for needed improvements to properties located within the city limits of Helena, MT. HHA reserves the right to separately procure A&E-related services for specific projects as it determines its needs.

General Service Areas. HHA intends to award a contract to a firm to provide A&E Services for various projects HHA may need on an as-needed basis at HHA's discretion throughout the term of the contract/service agreement. Services will be provided for both new construction and rehabilitation of buildings and property that HHA owns. Services may include, but are not limited to, typical A&E Services (i.e. Design; Construction Contract Administration and/or Management; Cost Estimating; Energy Specialist / Green Building Rater; Environmental Review; Fire Protection Engineering; Landscape Design; Structural Engineering; Site Planning & Surveying; Soil / Geotech / Environmental Engineering; Structural / Mechanical / Electrical / Civil Engineering; related specialized consulting, and any other related services that may be typically performed by either an Architectural or Engineering firm in its normal course of business. Additional service areas may include, but are not limited to: Site and Storm Drainage Systems; Roof Systems; Paving, Curbing, Sidewalks, Driveways; Flat Work; Renovations and Rehabilitation of existing structures; Demolition work; Building Systems, include HVAC, Ventilation, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Electrical, Lighting, Acoustics, and Structural Systems.

Projects over the last ten (10) years have included:

- Removal and Replacement of Cabinets, Vanities, and Sinks
- Unit roofing on multi-unit housing complexes
- Office building re-roofing and HVAC installation
- Removal of 2nd and 3rd story balconies
- Concrete & 504 Accessibility
- Parking Lot Repair, Resealing, and Restriping
- Conceptual Planning, Infrastructure, & Structural Analyses
- Exterior & Interior Building Improvements
- Archiving of Building Plans & As-Builts
- Acoustical Ceiling Tiling
- Storm Drainage
- Retaining Wall Repairs/Replacements
- Flooring Replacements

The services to be provided (subject to negotiation of fees and final scopes per determined project) for various projects HHA may need throughout the year, will include, but are not limited to, the following project phases and associated tasks:

A. Schematic Design/Preliminary Study

1. Preliminary analysis of project feasibility
2. Site plan(s)
3. Schedule of building types, unit distribution, and bedroom count
4. Scale plan of all buildings and typical dwelling units
5. Wall section and elevations
6. Outline specifications
7. Preliminary construction cost estimates
8. Project-specific analysis of codes, ordinances, and regulations
9. Three-dimensional line drawings

B. Design Development

1. Shall prepare and submit design development documents, including:
 - Drawings sufficient to fix and illustrate project scope and character in all essential design elements
 - Outline specifications
 - Cost estimates and analysis
 - Recommendation for phasing of construction Site plan(s)
 - Landscape plan
 - Floor plans
 - Installation Data
 - Product Data
 - Performance, Physical Data and Unit Specifications
 - Dimensional drawings
 - Engineering drawings
2. Provide Architect's certification that the project meets all local codes, rehabilitation standards, ordinances, zoning ordinances, and the current edition of the Model Energy Code, published by the Council of American Building Officials. Any design product shall meet all state and local code requirements and shall conform to all applicable local, state, and federal codes, ordinances, regulations, and standards, including HUD's Section 504 program; UFAS; ADA; and ANSI requirements. The design may also include coordination for the abatement of hazardous materials, as well as demolition of existing structures.

C. Bidding and Award

1. The respondent will be responsible for all aspects of design, providing biddable plans and specifications and bid documents.
2. Attend pre-bid conference and public bid openings
3. Reviewing, tabulating, and recommending bids for eligibility and reasonableness
4. Altering drawings and specifications as often as required to award within estimated construction contract cost or as otherwise requested by HHA's Executive Director

D. Construction

1. Shall in a prompt and timely manner administer the Construction Contract and all work required by the bidding, construction, and contract documents
2. Review and approve contractor's shop drawings and other submittals
3. Monitor quality and progress of the work and furnish written reports at least semi-monthly
4. Review and approve Requests for Payments
5. Make recommendations for solutions to special problems or changes necessitated by conditions encountered in the course of construction
6. Prepare in electronic file format as-built drawings, based on information and marked-up prints supplied by the contractor
7. Prepare written punch list, certificates of completion, and other necessary construction close out documents
8. Inspect ALL projects for completeness and quality

E. Post Completion / Warranty

1. Provide reproducible "record" plan drawings to HHA upon project completion
2. Consult with and make recommendations during warranty periods regarding construction and equipment warranties
3. Be available for assistance to HHA for up to eighteen (18) months after project completion
4. Perform 11-month inspection for warranty purposes and issues

For more information and details regarding the expected scope of services per negotiated project, please review Attachment F: Sample Contract (HUD Form 51915).

**RATING FACTORS TO BE USED IN
OFFEROR EVALUATION**

For

HHA-FY25-RFQ-001: ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING SERVICES

All responses received by the specified date and time will be referred to a selection committee for tabulation, review, and subsequent recommendations for action. **A two-year service agreement will be awarded to the responsible individual/firm whose qualifications are most advantageous to HHA, with price and other factors considered.**

The “Best and Final Offer” is an option available to HHA under the RFP process which permits the HHA to request a “Best and Final Offer” from one or more Offerors. A request for a “Best and Final Offer” does not imply selection or contract award.

Although the following criteria will be used in making the selection, no single criterion will be the determining factor in the selection of Offerors with whom HHA may commence negotiation of service agreements or in the final selection of which response best responds to all the needs of HHA.

Qualification documents will be evaluated in the following manner:

NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	POINTS
1)	<u>Statement of Qualifications</u> : Qualifications, experience & demonstrated ability of the project team to provide requested services identified within, and in addition to, the Scope of Services	30
2)	<u>Cost of Service</u> : Summary of billable employee rates, estimated billables per project focus, including any offered flat rates, special reduced rates, or discounts	20
3)	<u>Experience</u> : Knowledge of and/or experience providing requested services to PHAs, similar quasi-governmental or non-profit entities, or other such organizations that maintain similar staffing levels and serve under similar direction/governance	30
4)	<u>References (4)</u> : References showcasing exemplary experience providing requested services to PHAs, similar quasi-governmental or non-profit entities, or other such organizations that maintain similar staff levels and serve under similar direction/governance	10
5)	Clarity and Responsiveness of qualifications documents	10
TOTAL		100

Added Factors/Points

1)	Minority Participation	5
2)	Section 3	5

SUMMARY OF SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

QUALIFIED FIRMS / INDIVIDUALS MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING TO HHA:

RFQ PACKAGE

- A cover page **briefly** describing the Offeror's desire to submit qualifications;
- Clearly identified **Statement of Qualifications** as described on pages 7-8, including qualifications, cost, references, and the demonstrated ability to provide requested services identified within, and in addition to, the Scope of Services specifications;
- A qualifications summary highlighting what makes your firm a superior choice for HHA and any value-added services not covered in the Scope of Services, which your firm can offer HHA;
- The original **signed** and **notarized** Affidavit of Non-Default form;
- The original **signed** and **notarized** Form of Non-Collusive Affidavit;
- The original **signed** Certifications and Representations of Offerors - **HUD Form 5369-C; and**
- Proof of required licenses and insurances

PLEASE REMEMBER!

Copies of the RFQ Document Required:

Electronic (*preferred*): One (1) complete PDF or Paper: One (1) original & two (2) copies

Submission deadline: Responses MUST be received by this date and time, not post-marked.
4:30 PM, Tuesday, August 20, 2024

Locations to submit:

moneil@hhamt.org or Helena Housing Authority
Attn: Michael M. O'Neil
812 Abbey St.
Helena, MT 59601

All inquiries regarding this solicitation **must** be directed in writing (by 5:00PM on 8/6/24) to:
Justin Delli Bovi, Administrative Officer, 406-794-3263 / jdellibovi@hhamt.org

Attachment A
Affidavit of Non-Default

AFFIDAVIT OF NON-DEFAULT

State of _____

County of _____

_____ being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he/she is _____ ;
(Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative or Agent)

In the firm doing business as _____ ;
(Name of firm)

and makes the following representation:

The firm's current standing with HUD assures the firm has no legal action pending regarding work process and procedures and no felony conviction records.

Signature: _____

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of
_____, 2024.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires: _____

Attachment B

Form of Non-Collusive Affidavit

FORM OF NON-COLLUSIVE AFFIDAVIT

State of _____

County of _____

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

That he/she is _____
(Owner, Partner, Officer, Representative or Agent)

the party making the foregoing proposal or bid, that such proposal or bid is genuine and not collusive or sham; that said bidder has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any bidder or person, to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding, and has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the bid price of affiant or of any other bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of said bid price, or of that of any other bidder, or to secure any advantage against the Helena Housing Authority or any person interested in the proposed contract; and that all statements in said proposal or bid are true.

Signature of _____

Bidder (if the bidder is an individual)

Partner (if the bidder is a partnership)

Officer (if the bidder is a corporation)

Subscribed and sworn before me this _____ day of _____, 2024.

(Notary Public)

My commission expires: _____

Attachment C

**HUD 5369-B:
Instructions to Offerors (Non-Construction)**

Instructions to Offerors Non-Construction

U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
Office of Public and Indian Housing



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1. Preparation of Offers

(a) Offerors are expected to examine the statement of work, the proposed contract terms and conditions, and all instructions. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk.

(b) Each offeror shall furnish the information required by the solicitation. The offeror shall sign the offer and print or type its name on the cover sheet and each continuation sheet on which it makes an entry. Erasures or other changes must be initialed by the person signing the offer. Offers signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the HA.

(c) Offers for services other than those specified will not be considered.

2. Submission of Offers

(a) Offers and modifications thereof shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (1) addressed to the office specified in the solicitation, and (2) showing the time specified for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror.

(b) Telegraphic offers will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation; however, offers may be modified by written or telegraphic notice.

(c) Facsimile offers, modifications or withdrawals will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

3. Amendments to Solicitations

(a) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

(b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendments to this solicitation by

- (1) signing and returning the amendment;
- (2) identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on the form for submitting an offer,
- (3) letter or telegram, or
- (4) facsimile, if facsimile offers are authorized in the solicitation. The HA/HUD must receive the acknowledgment by the time specified for receipt of offers.

4. Explanation to Prospective Offerors

Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, statement of work, etc., must request it in writing soon enough to allow a reply to reach all prospective offerors before the submission of their offers. Oral explanations or instructions given before the award of the contract will not be binding. Any information given to a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an amendment of the solicitation, if that information is necessary in submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to any other prospective offerors.

5. Responsibility of Prospective Contractor

(a) The HA shall award a contract only to a responsible prospective contractor who is able to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of the proposed contract. To be determined responsible, a prospective contractor must -

- (1) Have adequate financial resources to perform the contract, or the ability to obtain them;

- (2) Have a satisfactory performance record;
- (3) Have a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- (4) Have a satisfactory record of compliance with public policy (e.g., Equal Employment Opportunity); and
- (5) Not have been suspended, debarred, or otherwise determined to be ineligible for award of contracts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development or any other agency of the U.S. Government. Current lists of ineligible contractors are available for inspection at the HA/HUD.

(b) Before an offer is considered for award, the offeror may be requested by the HA to submit a statement or other documentation regarding any of the foregoing requirements. Failure by the offeror to provide such additional information may render the offeror ineligible for award.

6. Late Submissions, Modifications, and Withdrawal of Offers

(a) Any offer received at the place designated in the solicitation after the exact time specified for receipt will not be considered unless it is received before award is made and it -

- (1) Was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the fifth calendar day before the date specified for receipt of offers (e.g., an offer submitted in response to a solicitation requiring receipt of offers by the 20th of the month must have been mailed by the 15th);
- (2) Was sent by mail, or if authorized by the solicitation, was sent by telegram or via facsimile, and it is determined by the HA/ HUD that the late receipt was due solely to mishandling by the HA/ HUD after receipt at the HA;
- (3) Was sent by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail Next Day Service - Post Office to Addressee, not later than 5:00 p.m. at the place of mailing two working days prior to the date specified for receipt of proposals. The term "working days" excludes weekends and U.S. Federal holidays; or
- (4) Is the only offer received.

(b) Any modification of an offer, except a modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer (if this solicitation is a request for proposals), is subject to the same conditions as in subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this provision.

(c) A modification resulting from the HA's request for "best and final" offer received after the time and date specified in the request will not be considered unless received before award and the late receipt is due solely to mishandling by the HA after receipt at the HA.

(d) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent either by registered or certified mail is the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service postmark both on the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service. Both postmarks must show a legible date or the offer, modification, or withdrawal shall be processed as if mailed late. "Postmark" means a printed, stamped, or otherwise placed impression (exclusive of a postage meter machine impression) that is readily identifiable without further action as having been supplied and affixed by employees of the U.S. or Canadian Postal Service on the date of mailing. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a hand cancellation bull's-eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(e) The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt at the HA is the time/date stamp of HA on the offer wrapper or other documentary evidence of receipt maintained by the HA.

(f) The only acceptable evidence to establish the date of mailing of a late offer, modification, or withdrawal sent by Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee is the date entered by the post office receiving clerk on the "Express Mail Next Day Service-Post Office to Addressee" label and the postmark on both the envelope or wrapper and on the original receipt from the U.S. Postal Service. "Postmark" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (c) of this provision, excluding postmarks of the Canadian Postal Service. Therefore, offerors should request the postal clerk to place a legible hand cancellation bull's eye postmark on both the receipt and the envelope or wrapper.

(g) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this provision, a late modification of an otherwise successful offer that makes its terms more favorable to the HA will be considered at any time it is received and may be accepted.

(h) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, proposals may be withdrawn by written notice, or if authorized by this solicitation, by telegram (including mailgram) or facsimile machine transmission received at any time before award. Proposals may be withdrawn in person by a offeror or its authorized representative if the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the offer before award. If this solicitation is an invitation for bids, bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to bid opening.

7. Contract Award

(a) The HA will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation will be most advantageous to the HA, cost or price and other factors, specified elsewhere in this solicitation, considered.

(b) The HA may

- (1) reject any or all offers if such action is in the HA's interest,
- (2) accept other than the lowest offer,
- (3) waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received, and (4) award more than one contract for all or part of the requirements stated.

(c) If this solicitation is a request for proposals, the HA may award a contract on the basis of initial offers received, without discussions. Therefore, each initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a cost or price and technical standpoint.

(d) A written award or acceptance of offer mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If this solicitation is a request for proposals, before the offer's specified expiration time, the HA may accept an offer, whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award. Negotiations conducted after receipt of an offer do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the HA.

(e) Neither financial data submitted with an offer, nor representations concerning facilities or financing, will form a part of the resulting contract.

8. Service of Protest

Any protest against the award of a contract pursuant to this solicitation shall be served on the HA by obtaining written and dated acknowledgment of receipt from the HA at the address shown on the cover of this solicitation. The determination of the HA with regard to such protest or to proceed to award notwithstanding such protest shall be final unless appealed by the protestor.

9. Offer Submission

Offers shall be submitted as follows and shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the office specified in the solicitation. The proposal shall show **the hour and date specified in the solicitation for receipt, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the offeror, on the face of the envelope.**

It is very important that the offer be properly identified on the face of the envelope as set forth above in order to insure that the date and time of receipt is stamped on the face of the offer envelope. Receiving procedures are: date and time stamp those envelopes identified as proposals and deliver them immediately to the appropriate contracting official, and only date stamp those envelopes which do not contain identification of the contents and deliver them to the appropriate procuring activity only through the routine mail delivery procedure.

[Describe bid or proposal preparation instructions here:]

Attachment D

**HUD 5369-C:
Certifications and Representation of Offerors**

Certifications and Representations of Offerors Non-Construction Contract

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

This form includes clauses required by OMB's common rule on bidding/offering procedures, implemented by HUD in 24 CFR 85.36, and those requirements set forth in Executive Order 11625 for small, minority, women-owned businesses, and certifications for independent price determination, and conflict of interest. The form is required for nonconstruction contracts awarded by Housing Agencies (HAs). The form is used by bidders/offers to certify to the HA's Contracting Officer for contract compliance. If the form were not used, HAs would be unable to enforce their contracts. Responses to the collection of information are required to obtain a benefit or to retain a benefit. The information requested does not lend itself to confidentiality.

1. Contingent Fee Representation and Agreement

(a) The bidder/offeror represents and certifies as part of its bid/offer that, except for full-time bona fide employees working solely for the bidder/offeror, the bidder/offeror:

- (1) has, has not employed or retained any person or company to solicit or obtain this contract; and
- (2) has, has not paid or agreed to pay to any person or company employed or retained to solicit or obtain this contract any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other fee contingent upon or resulting from the award of this contract.

(b) If the answer to either (a)(1) or (a) (2) above is affirmative, the bidder/offeror shall make an immediate and full written disclosure to the PHA Contracting Officer.

(c) Any misrepresentation by the bidder/offeror shall give the PHA the right to (1) terminate the resultant contract; (2) at its discretion, to deduct from contract payments the amount of any commission, percentage, brokerage, or other contingent fee; or (3) take other remedy pursuant to the contract.

2. Small, Minority, Women-Owned Business Concern Representation

The bidder/offeror represents and certifies as part of its bid/offer that it:

- (a) is, is not a small business concern. "Small business concern," as used in this provision, means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding, and qualified as a small business under the criteria and size standards in 13 CFR 121.
- (b) is, is not a women-owned small business concern. "Women-owned," as used in this provision, means a small business that is at least 51 percent owned by a woman or women who are U.S. citizens and who also control and operate the business.
- (c) is, is not a minority enterprise which, pursuant to Executive Order 11625, is defined as a business which is at least 51 percent owned by one or more minority group members or, in the case of a publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of its voting stock is owned by one or more minority group members, and whose management and daily operations are controlled by one or more such individuals.

For the purpose of this definition, minority group members are:

(Check the block applicable to you)

- Black Americans Asian Pacific Americans
- Hispanic Americans Asian Indian Americans
- Native Americans Hasidic Jewish Americans

3. Certificate of Independent Price Determination

(a) The bidder/offeror certifies that—

- (1) The prices in this bid/offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other bidder/offeror or competitor relating to (i) those prices, (ii) the intention to submit a bid/offer, or (iii) the methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered;
- (2) The prices in this bid/offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the bidder/offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other bidder/offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and
- (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the bidder/offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit a bid/offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the bid/offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory:

- (1) Is the person in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; or
- (2) (i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the following principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above (insert full name of person(s) in the bidder/offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal, and the title of his or her position in the bidder/offeror's organization);
(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals named in subdivision (b)(2)(i) above have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to subparagraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) above.

(c) If the bidder/offeror deletes or modifies subparagraph (a)2 above, the bidder/offeror must furnish with its bid/offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

4. Organizational Conflicts of Interest Certification

(a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under a proposed contract and a prospective contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interest are such that:

- (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage;
- (ii) The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired; or
- (iii) That the Contractor has disclosed all relevant information and requested the HA to make a determination with respect to this Contract.

(b) The Contractor agrees that if after award he or she discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the HA which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the Contract for the convenience of HA if it would be in the best interest of HA.

(c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this Contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the HA, the HA may terminate the Contract for default.

(d) The Contractor shall require a disclosure or representation from subcontractors and consultants who may be in a position to influence the advice or assistance rendered to the HA and shall include any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest in consultant agreements or subcontracts involving performance or work under this Contract.

5. Authorized Negotiators (RFPs only)

The offeror represents that the following persons are authorized to negotiate on its behalf with the PHA in connection with this request for proposals: (list names, titles, and telephone numbers of the authorized negotiators):

6. Conflict of Interest

In the absence of any actual or apparent conflict, the offeror, by submission of a proposal, hereby warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief, no actual or apparent conflict of interest exists with regard to my possible performance of this procurement, as described in the clause in this solicitation titled "Organizational Conflict of Interest."

7. Offeror's Signature

The offeror hereby certifies that the information contained in these certifications and representations is accurate, complete, and current.

Signature & Date:

Typed or Printed Name:

Title:

Attachment E

**HUD 5370-C I & II:
General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts**

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section I — (With or without Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 1/31/2027)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB number. This form includes those clauses required by OMB's common rule on grantee procurement, implemented at HUD in 2 CFR 200, and those requirements set forth in Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 and its amendment by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, implemented by HUD at 24 CFR Part 75. The form is required for non-construction contracts awarded by Public Housing Agencies (PHAs). The form is used by PHAs in solicitations to provide necessary contract clauses and allows PHAs to enforce their contracts. Comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing this burden can be sent to the Reports Management Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, REE, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th St SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000. When providing comments, please refer to OMB Approval No. 2577-0157. Do not send this completed form to either of these addressees. The information collected will not be held confidential.

Applicability. This form HUD-5370-C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

- 1) **Non-construction contracts** (*without* maintenance) **greater than \$250,000 - use Section I;**
- 2) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.100) **greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$250,000 - use Section II;** and
- 3) **Maintenance contracts** (including nonroutine maintenance), **greater than \$250,000 — use Sections I and II.**

Section I - Clauses for All Non-Construction Contracts greater than \$250,000

1. Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this contract:

- (a) "Authority or Housing Authority (HA)" means the Housing Authority.
- (b) "Contract" means the contract entered into between the Authority and the Contractor. It includes the contract form, the Certifications and Representations, these contract clauses, and the scope of work. It includes all formal changes to any of those documents by addendum, Change Order, or other modification.
- (c) "Contractor" means the person or other entity entering into the contract with the Authority to perform all of the work required under the contract.
- (d) "Day" means calendar days, unless otherwise stated.
- (e) "HUD" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban development, his delegates, successors, and assigns, and the officers and employees of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development acting for and on behalf of the Secretary.

2. Changes

- (a) The HA may at any time, by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of this contract in the services to be performed or supplies to be delivered.
- (b) If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the hourly rate, the not-to-exceed amount of the contract, or the time required for performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, or otherwise affects the conditions of this contract, the HA shall make an equitable adjustment in the not-to-exceed amount, the hourly rate, the delivery schedule, or other affected terms, and shall modify the contract accordingly.
- (c) The Contractor must assert its right to an equitable adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the HA decides that the facts justify it, the HA may receive and act upon a

- proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.
- (d) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under clause Disputes, herein. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the Contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed.
- (e) No services for which an additional cost or fee will be charged by the Contractor shall be furnished without the prior written consent of the HA.

3. Termination for Convenience and Default

- (a) The HA may terminate this contract in whole, or from time to time in part, for the HA's convenience or the failure of the Contractor to fulfill the contract obligations (default). The HA shall terminate by delivering to the Contractor a written Notice of Termination specifying the nature, extent, and effective date of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, the Contractor shall: (i) immediately discontinue all services affected (unless the notice directs otherwise); and (ii) deliver to the HA all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing this contract, whether completed or in process.
- (b) If the termination is for the convenience of the HA, the HA shall be liable only for payment for services rendered before the effective date of the termination.
- (c) If the termination is due to the failure of the Contractor to fulfill its obligations under the contract (default), the HA may (i) require the Contractor to deliver to it, in the manner and to the extent directed by the HA, any work as described in subparagraph (a)(ii) above, and compensation be determined in accordance with the Changes clause, paragraph 2, above; (ii) take over the work and prosecute the same to completion by contract or otherwise, and the Contractor shall be liable for any additional cost incurred by the HA; (iii) withhold any payments to the Contractor, for the purpose of off-set or partial payment, as the case may be, of amounts owed to the HA by the Contractor.
- (d) If, after termination for failure to fulfill contract obligations (default), it is determined that the Contractor had not failed, the termination shall be deemed to have been effected for the convenience of the HA, and the Contractor shall be entitled to payment as described in paragraph (b) above.
- (e) Any disputes with regard to this clause are expressly made subject to the terms of clause titled Disputes herein.

4. Examination and Retention of Contractor's Records

- (a) The HA, HUD, or Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives shall, until 3 years after final payment under this contract, have access to and the right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent books, documents, papers, or other records involving transactions related to this contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.

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- (b) The Contractor agrees to include in first-tier subcontracts under this contract a clause substantially the same as paragraph (a) above. "Subcontract," as used in this clause, excludes purchase orders not exceeding \$10,000.
 - (c) The periods of access and examination in paragraphs (a) and (b) above for records relating to:
 - (i) appeals under the clause titled Disputes;
 - (ii) litigation or settlement of claims arising from the performance of this contract; or,
 - (iii) costs and expenses of this contract to which the HA, HUD, or Comptroller General or any of their duly authorized representatives has taken exception shall continue until disposition of such appeals, litigation, claims, or exceptions.

5. Rights in Data (Ownership and Proprietary Interest)

The HA shall have exclusive ownership of, all proprietary interest in, and the right to full and exclusive possession of all information, materials and documents discovered or produced by Contractor pursuant to the terms of this Contract, including but not limited to reports, memoranda or letters concerning the research and reporting tasks of this Contract.

6. Energy Efficiency

The contractor shall comply with all mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub.L. 94-163) for the State in which the work under this contract is performed.

7. Disputes

- (a) All disputes arising under or relating to this contract, except for disputes arising under clauses contained in Section 111, Labor Standards Provisions, including any claims for damages for the alleged breach there of which are not disposed of by agreement, shall be resolved under this clause.
- (b) All claims by the Contractor shall be made in writing and submitted to the HA. A claim by the HA against the Contractor shall be subject to a written decision by the HA.
- (c) The HA shall, with reasonable promptness, but in no event in no more than 60 days, render a decision concerning any claim hereunder. Unless the Contractor, within 30 days after receipt of the HA's decision, shall notify the HA in writing that it takes exception to such decision, the decision shall be final and conclusive.
- (d) Provided the Contractor has (i) given the notice within the time stated in paragraph (c) above, and (ii) excepted its claim relating to such decision from the final release, and (iii) brought suit against the HA not later than one year after receipt of final payment, or if final payment has not been made, not later than one year after the Contractor has had a reasonable time to respond to a written request by the HA that it submit a final voucher and release, whichever is earlier, then the HA's decision shall not be final or conclusive, but the dispute shall be determined on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (e) The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any request for relief, claim, appeal, or action arising under the contract, and comply with any decision of the HA.

8. Contract Termination; Debarment

A breach of these Contract clauses may be grounds for termination of the Contract and for debarment or denial of participation in HUD programs as a Contractor and a subcontractor as provided in 24 CFR Part 24.

9. Assignment of Contract

The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any interest in this contract; except that claims for monies due or to become due from the HA under the contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution. If the Contractor is a partnership, this contract shall inure to the benefit of the surviving or remaining member(s) of such partnership approved by the HA.

10. Certificate and Release

Prior to final payment under this contract, or prior to settlement upon termination of this contract, and as a condition precedent thereto, the Contractor shall execute and deliver to the HA a certificate and release, in a form acceptable to the HA, of all claims against the HA by the Contractor under and by virtue of this contract, other than such claims, if any, as may be specifically excepted by the Contractor in stated amounts set forth therein.

11. Organizational Conflicts of Interest

- (a) The Contractor warrants that to the best of its knowledge and belief and except as otherwise disclosed, it does not have any organizational conflict of interest which is defined as a situation in which the nature of work under this contract and a contractor's organizational, financial, contractual or other interests are such that:
 - (i) Award of the contract may result in an unfair competitive advantage; or
 - () The Contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work may be impaired.
- (b) The Contractor agrees that if after award it discovers an organizational conflict of interest with respect to this contract or any task/delivery order under the contract, he or she shall make an immediate and full disclosure in writing to the Contracting Officer which shall include a description of the action which the Contractor has taken or intends to take to eliminate or neutralize the conflict. The HA may, however, terminate the contract or task/delivery order for the convenience of the HA if it would be in the best interest of the HA.
- (c) In the event the Contractor was aware of an organizational conflict of interest before the award of this contract and intentionally did not disclose the conflict to the Contracting Officer, the HA may terminate the contract for default.
- (d) The terms of this clause shall be included in all subcontracts and consulting agreements wherein the work to be performed is similar to the service provided by the prime Contractor. The Contractor shall include in such subcontracts and consulting agreements any necessary provisions to eliminate or neutralize conflicts of interest.

12. Inspection and Acceptance

- (a) The HA has the right to review, require correction, if necessary, and accept the work products produced by the Contractor. Such review(s) shall be carried out within 30 days so as to not impede the work of the Contractor. Any

product of work shall be deemed accepted as submitted if the HA does not issue written comments and/or required corrections within 30 days from the date of receipt of such product from the Contractor.

- (b) The Contractor shall make any required corrections promptly at no additional charge and return a revised copy of the product to the HA within 7 days of notification or a later date if extended by the HA.
- (c) Failure by the Contractor to proceed with reasonable promptness to make necessary corrections shall be a default. If the Contractor's submission of corrected work remains unacceptable, the HA may terminate this contract (or the task order involved) or reduce the contract price or cost to reflect the reduced value of services received.

13. Interest of Members of Congress

No member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit to arise there from, but this provision shall not be construed to extend to this contract if made with a corporation for its general benefit.

14. Interest of Members, Officers, or Employees and Former Members, Officers, or Employees

No member, officer, or employee of the HA, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, no member of the governing body in which the HA was activated, and no other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project, shall, during his or her tenure, or for one year thereafter, have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

15. Limitation on Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transactions

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause:

"Agency", as defined in 5 U.S.C. 552(f), includes Federal executive departments and agencies as well as independent regulatory commissions and Government corporations, as defined in 31 U.S.C. 9101(1).

"Covered Federal Action" means any of the following Federal actions:

- (i) The awarding of any Federal contract;
- (ii) The making of any Federal grant;
- (iii) The making of any Federal loan;
- (iv) The entering into of any cooperative agreement; and,
- (v) The extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

Covered Federal action does not include receiving from an agency a commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan.

"Indian tribe" and "tribal organization" have the meaning provided in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450B). Alaskan Natives are included under the definitions of Indian tribes in that Act.

"Influencing or attempting to influence" means making, with the intent to influence, any communication to or appearance before an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any covered Federal action.

"Local government" means a unit of government in a State and, if chartered, established, or otherwise recognized by a State for the performance of a governmental duty, including a local public authority, a special district, an intrastate district, a council of governments, a sponsor group representative organization, and any other instrumentality of a local government

"Officer or employee of an agency" includes the following individuals who are employed by an agency:

- (i) An individual who is appointed to a position in the Government under title 5, U.S.C., including a position under a temporary appointment;
- (ii) A member of the uniformed services as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.;
- (iii) A special Government employee as defined in section 202, title 18, U.S.C.; and,
- (iv) An individual who is a member of a Federal advisory committee, as defined by the Federal Advisory Committee Act, title 5, appendix 2.

"Person" means an individual, corporation, company, association, authority, firm, partnership, society, State, and local government, regardless of whether such entity is operated for profit or not for profit. This term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Recipient" includes all contractors, subcontractors at any tier, and subgrantees at any tier of the recipient of funds received in connection with a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. The term excludes an Indian tribe, tribal organization, or any other Indian organization with respect to expenditures specifically permitted by other Federal law.

"Regularly employed means, with respect to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, an officer or employee who is employed by such person for at least 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of the submission that initiates agency consideration of such person for receipt of such contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. An officer or employee who is employed by such person for less than 130 working days within one year immediately preceding the date of submission that initiates agency consideration of such person shall be considered to be regularly employed as soon as he or she is employed by such person for 130 working days.

"State" means a State of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, a territory or possession of the United States, an agency or instrumentality of a State, and a multi-State, regional, or interstate entity having governmental duties and powers.

(b) Prohibition.

- (i) Section 1352 of title 31, U.S.C. provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by the recipient of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(v) The prohibition does not apply as follows:

- (1) Agency and legislative liaison by Own Employees.
- (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in paragraph (i) of this section, does not apply in the case of a payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, if the payment is for agency and legislative activities not directly related to a covered Federal action.
- (b) For purposes of paragraph (b)(i)(1)(a) of this clause, providing any information specifically requested by an agency or Congress is permitted at any time.
- (c) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted at any time only where they are not related to a specific solicitation for any covered Federal action:
- (1) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstrations) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and,
 - (2) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.
- (d) The following agency and legislative liaison activities are permitted where they are prior to formal solicitation of any covered Federal action:
- (1) Providing any information not specifically requested but necessary for an agency to make an informed decision about initiation of a covered Federal action;
 - (2) Technical discussions regarding the preparation of an unsolicited proposal prior to its official submission; and
 - (3) Capability presentations by persons seeking awards from an agency pursuant to the provisions of the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507 and other subsequent amendments.
- (e) Only those activities expressly authorized by subdivision (b)(ii)(1)(a) of this clause are permitted under this clause.
- (2) Professional and technical services.
- (a) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply in the case of-
- (i) A payment of reasonable compensation made to an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action, if payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action.
 - (i) Any reasonable payment to a person, other than an officer or employee of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action or an extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a covered Federal action if the payment is for professional or technical services rendered directly in the preparation, submission, or negotiation of any bid, proposal, or application for that Federal action or for meeting requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving that Federal action. Persons other than officers or employees of a person requesting or receiving a covered Federal action include consultants and trade associations.
- (b) For purposes of subdivision (b)(ii)(2)(a) of clause, "professional and technical services" shall be limited to advice and analysis directly applying any professional or technical discipline.
- (c) Requirements imposed by or pursuant to law as a condition for receiving a covered Federal award include those required by law or regulation, or reasonably expected to be required by law or regulation, and any other requirements in the actual award documents.
- (d) Only those services expressly authorized by subdivisions (b)(ii)(2)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section are permitted under this clause.
- (iii) Selling activities by independent sales representatives.
- (c) The prohibition on the use of appropriated funds, in subparagraph (b)(i) of this clause, does not apply to the following selling activities before an agency by independent sales representatives, provided such activities are prior to formal solicitation by an agency and are specifically limited to the merits of the matter:
- (i) Discussing with an agency (including individual demonstration) the qualities and characteristics of the person's products or services, conditions or terms of sale, and service capabilities; and
 - (ii) Technical discussions and other activities regarding the application or adaptation of the person's products or services for an agency's use.
- (d) Agreement. In accepting any contract, grant, cooperative agreement, or loan resulting from this solicitation, the person submitting the offer agrees not to make any payment prohibited by this clause.
- (e) Penalties. Any person who makes an expenditure prohibited under paragraph (b) of this clause shall be subject to civil penalties as provided for by 31 U.S.C. 1352. An imposition of a civil penalty does not prevent the Government from seeking any other remedy that may be applicable.
- (f) Cost Allowability. Nothing in this clause is to be interpreted to make allowable or reasonable any costs which would be unallowable or unreasonable in accordance with Part 31 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), or OMB Circulars dealing with cost allowability for recipients of assistance agreements. Conversely, costs made specifically unallowable by the requirements in this clause will not be made allowable under any of the provisions of FAR Part 31 or the relevant OMB Circulars.

16. Equal Employment Opportunity

During the performance of this contract, the

Contractor/Seller agrees as follows:

(a) The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin. The

[contractor/seller] will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The [contractor/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the contracting officer setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(b) The [contractor/seller] will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or national origin.

(c) The [contractor/seller] will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the [contractor/seller]'s legal duty to furnish information.

(d) The [contractor/seller] will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the agency contracting officer, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the [contractor/seller]'s commitments under section 202 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(e) The [contractor/seller] will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(f) The [contractor/seller] will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the contracting agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(g) In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the [contractor/seller] may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(g) In the event of the [contractor/seller]'s non-compliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and the [contractor/seller] may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(h) The [contractor/seller] will include the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (h) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each sub[contractor/seller] or vendor. The [contractor/seller] will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as may be directed by the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event the [contractor/seller] becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, the [contractor/seller] may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

17. Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities

1. The [contractor/seller] will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of physical or mental disability in regard to any position for which the employee or applicant for employment is qualified. The [contractor/seller] agrees to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment individuals with disabilities, and to treat qualified individuals without discrimination on the basis of their physical or mental disability in all employment practices, including the following:

- i. Recruitment, advertising, and job application procedures;
- ii. Hiring, upgrading, promotion, award of tenure, demotion, transfer, layoff, termination, right of return from layoff and rehiring;
- iii. Rates of pay or any other form of compensation and changes in compensation;
- iv. Job assignments, job classifications, organizational structures, position descriptions, lines of progression, and seniority lists;
- v. Leaves of absence, sick leave, or any other leave;
- vi. Fringe benefits available by virtue of employment, whether or not administered by the [contractor/seller];
- vii. Selection and financial support for training, including apprenticeship, professional meetings, conferences, and other related activities, and selection for leaves of absence to pursue training;
- viii. Activities sponsored by the [contractor/seller] including social or recreational programs; and
- ix. Any other term, condition, or privilege of employment.

2. The [contractor/seller] agrees to comply with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.

3. In the event of the [contractor/seller] noncompliance with the requirements of this clause, actions for noncompliance may be taken in accordance with the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to the act.

4. The [contractor/seller] agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices in a form to be prescribed by the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, provided by or through the contracting officer. Such notices shall state the rights of applicants and employees as well as the [contractor/seller]'s obligation under the law to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified employees and applicants with disabilities.

The [contractor/seller] must ensure that applicants or employees with disabilities are provided the notice in a form that is accessible and understandable to the individual applicant or employee (e.g., providing Brail or large print versions of the notice, or posting a copy of the notice at a lower height for easy viewing by a person using a wheelchair). With respect to employees who do not work at a physical location of the [contractor/seller], a [contractor/seller] will satisfy its posting obligations by posting such notices in an electronic format, provided that the [contractor/seller] provides computers, or access to computers, that can access the electronic posting to such employees, or the [contractor/seller] has actual knowledge that such employees otherwise are able to access the electronically posted notices. Electronic notices for employees must be posted in a conspicuous location and format on the company's intranet or sent by electronic mail to employees. An electronic posting must be used by the [contractor/seller] to notify job applicants of their rights if the [contractor/seller] utilizes an electronic application process. Such electronic applicant notice must be conspicuously stored with, or as part of, the electronic application.

5. The [contractor/seller] will notify each labor organization or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract understanding, that the [contractor/seller] is bound by the terms of section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and is committed to take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment, and shall not discriminate against, individuals with physical or mental disabilities.

6. The [contractor/seller] will include the provisions of this clause in every subcontract or purchase order in excess of \$ 10,000, unless exempted by the rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary issued pursuant to section 503 of the act, as amended, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs may direct to enforce such provisions, including action for noncompliance.

7. The [contractor/seller] must, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the [contractor/seller], state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment and will not be discriminated against on the basis of disability.

18. Dissemination or Disclosure of Information

No information or material shall be disseminated or disclosed to the general public, the news media, or any person or organization without prior express written approval by the HA.

19. Contractor's Status

It is understood that the Contractor is an independent contractor and is not to be considered an employee of the HA, or assume any right, privilege or duties of an employee, and shall save harmless the HA and its employees from claims suits, actions and costs of every description resulting from the Contractor's activities on behalf of the HA in connection with this Agreement.

20. Other Contractors

HA may undertake or award other contracts for additional work at or near the site(s) of the work under this contract. The contractor shall fully cooperate with the other contractors and with HA and HUD employees and shall carefully adapt scheduling and performing the work under this contract to accommodate the additional work, heeding any direction that may be provided by the Contracting Officer. The contractor shall not commit or permit any act that will interfere with the performance of work by any other contractor or HA employee.

21. Liens

The Contractor is prohibited from placing a lien on HA's property. This prohibition shall apply to all subcontractors.

22. Training and Employment Opportunities for Residents in the Project Area (Section 3, HUD Act of 1968; 24 CFR 135)

- (a) The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- (b) The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the Part 75 regulations.
- (c) The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 prioritization requirements, and shall state the minimum percentages of labor hour requirements established in the Benchmark Notice (FR-6085-N-04)..
- (d) The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR Part 75, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR Part 75.
- (e) Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR Part 75 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts
- (f) Contracts, subcontracts, grants, or subgrants subject to Section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5307(b)) or subject to tribal preference requirements as authorized under 101(k) of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (25 U.S.C. 4111(k)) must provide preferences in employment, training, and business opportunities to Indians and Indian organizations, and are therefore not subject to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 75.

23. Procurement of Recovered Materials

- (a) In accordance with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Contractor shall procure items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered

materials practicable consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition. The Contractor shall procure items designated in the EPA guidelines that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable unless the Contractor determines that such items: (1) are not reasonably available in a reasonable period of time; (2) fail to meet reasonable performance standards, which shall be determined on the basis of the guidelines of the National Institute of Standards and Technology, if applicable to the item; or (3) are only available at an unreasonable price.

- (b) Paragraph (a) of this clause shall apply to items purchased under this contract where: (1) the Contractor purchases in excess of \$10,000 of the item under this contract; or (2) during the preceding Federal fiscal year, the Contractor: (i) purchased any amount of the items for use under a contract that was funded with Federal appropriations and was with a Federal agency or a State agency or agency of a political subdivision of a State; and (ii) purchased a total of in excess of \$10,000 of the item both under and outside that contract

General Conditions for Non-Construction Contracts

Section II – (With Maintenance Work)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Office of Public and Indian Housing

Office of Labor Relations

OMB Approval No. 2577-0157 (exp. 1/31/2027)

Public Reporting Burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB number. This form includes those clauses required by OMB's common rule on grantee procurement, implemented at HUD in 2 CFR 200, and those requirements set forth in Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 and its amendment by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, implemented by HUD at 24 CFR Part 75. The form is required for maintenance contracts awarded by Public Housing Agencies (PHAs). The form is used by PHAs in solicitations to provide necessary contract clauses and allows PHAs to enforce their contracts. Comments regarding the accuracy of this burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing this burden can be sent to the Reports Management Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, REE, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th St SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000. When providing comments, please refer to OMB Approval No. 2577-0157. Do not send this completed form to either of these addressees. The information collected will not be held confidential.

Applicability. This form HUD-5370C has 2 Sections. These Sections must be inserted into non-construction contracts as described below:

- 1) Non-construction contracts (*without* maintenance) greater than \$250,000 - use Section I;
- 2) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance as defined at 24 CFR 905.200) greater than \$2,000 but not more than \$250,000 - use Section II; and
- 3) Maintenance contracts (including nonroutine maintenance), greater than \$250,000 – use Sections I and II.

Section II – Labor Standard Provisions for all Maintenance Contracts greater than \$2,000

1. Minimum Wages

- (a) All maintenance laborers and mechanics employed under this Contract in the operation of the project(s) shall be paid unconditionally and not less often than semi-monthly, and without subsequent deduction (except as otherwise provided by law or regulations), the full amount of wages due at time of payment computed at rates not less than those contained in the wage determination of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Such laborers and mechanics shall be paid the appropriate wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed, without regard to skill. Laborers or mechanics performing work in more than one classification may be compensated at the rate specified for each classification for the time actually worked therein; provided, that the employer's payroll records accurately set forth the time spent in each classification in which work is performed. The wage determination, including any additional classifications and wage rates approved by HUD under subparagraph 1(b), shall be posted at all times by the Contractor and its subcontractors at the site of the work in a prominent and accessible place where it can be easily seen by the workers.
- (b) (i) Any class of laborers or mechanics which is not listed in the wage determination and which is to be employed under the Contract shall be classified in conformance with the wage determination. HUD shall approve an additional classification and wage rate only when the following criteria have been met:
 - (1) The work to be performed by the classification required is not performed by a classification in the wage determination;
 - (2) The classification is utilized in the area by the industry; and
 - (3) The proposed wage rate bears a reasonable relationship to the wage rates contained in the wage determination.(ii) The wage rate determined pursuant to this paragraph shall be paid to all workers performing work

in the classification under this Contract from the first day on which work is performed in the classification.

2. Withholding of funds

The Contracting Officer, upon his/her own action or upon request of HUD, shall withhold or cause to be withheld from the Contractor under this Contract or any other contract subject to HUD-determined wage rates, with the same prime Contractor, so much of the accrued payments or advances as may be considered necessary to pay laborers and mechanics employed by the Contractor or any subcontractor the full amount of wages required by this clause. In the event of failure to pay any laborer or mechanic employed under this Contract all or part of the wages required under this Contract, the Contracting Officer or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment or advance until such violations have ceased. The Public Housing Agency or HUD may, after written notice to the Contractor, disburse such amounts withheld for and on account of the Contractor or subcontractor to the respective employees to whom they are due.

3. Records

- (a) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make and maintain for three (3) years from the completion of the work records containing the following for each laborer and mechanic:
 - (i) Name, address and Social Security Number;
 - (ii) Correct work classification or classifications;
 - (iii) Hourly rate or rates of monetary wages paid;
 - (iv) Rate or rates of any fringe benefits provided;
 - (v) Number of daily and weekly hours worked;
 - (vi) Gross wages earned;
 - (vii) Any deductions made; and
 - (viii) Actual wages paid.
- (b) The Contractor and each subcontractor shall make the records required under paragraph 3(a) available for inspection, copying, or transcription by authorized representatives of HUD or the HA and shall permit such representatives to interview employees during working hours on the job. If the Contractor or any subcontractor fails to make the required records available, HUD or its designee may, after written notice to the Contractor, take such action as may be necessary to cause the suspension of any further payment, advance or guarantee of funds.

4. Apprentices and Trainees

- (a) Apprentices and trainees will be permitted to work at less than the predetermined rate for the work they perform when they are employed pursuant to and individually registered in:
 - (i) A bona fide apprenticeship program registered with the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of

Apprenticeship Training, Employer and Labor Services (OATELS), or with a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS, or if a person is employed in his/her first 90 days of probationary employment as an apprentice in such an apprenticeship program, who is not individually registered in the program, but who has been certified by OATELS or a state apprenticeship agency (where appropriate) to be eligible for probationary employment as an apprentice; A

- (ii) A trainee program which has received prior approval, evidenced by formal certification by the U.S. Department of Labor, ETA; or
- (iii) A training/trainee program that has received prior approval by HUD.

- (b) Each apprentice or trainee must be paid at not less than the rate specified in the registered or approved program for the apprentice's/trainee's level of progress, expressed as a percentage of the journeyman hourly rate specified in the applicable wage determination. Apprentices and trainees shall be paid fringe benefits in accordance with the provisions of the registered or approved program. If the program does not specify fringe benefits, apprentices/trainees must be paid the full amount of fringe benefits listed on the wage determination for the applicable classification.
- (c) The allowable ratio of apprentices or trainees to journeyman on the job site in any craft classification shall not be greater than the ratio permitted to the employer as to the entire work force under the approved program.
- (d) Any worker employed at an apprentice or trainee wage rate who is not registered in an approved program, and any apprentice or trainee performing work on the job site in excess of the ratio permitted under the approved program, shall be paid not less than the applicable wage rate on the wage determination for the classification of work actually performed.
- (e) In the event OATELS, a state apprenticeship agency recognized by OATELS or ETA, or HUD, withdraws approval of an apprenticeship or trainee program, the employer will no longer be permitted to utilize apprentices/trainees at less than the applicable predetermined rate for the work performed until an acceptable program is approved.

5. Disputes concerning labor standards

- (a) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions contained in Section II of this form HUD-5370-C, other than those in Paragraph 6, shall be subject to the following procedures. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, or HUD, or the employees or their representatives, concerning payment of prevailing wage rates or proper classification. The procedures in this section may be initiated upon HUD's own motion, upon referral of the HA, or upon request of the Contractor or subcontractor(s).
 - (i) A Contractor and/or subcontractor or other interested party desiring reconsideration of findings of violation by the HA or HUD relating to the payment of straight-time prevailing wages or classification of work shall request such reconsideration by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days of the date of notice of findings issued by the HA or HUD. The request shall set

forth those findings that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The request shall be directed to the appropriate HA or HUD official in accordance with instructions contained in the notice of findings or, if the notice does not specify to whom a request should be made, to the Regional Labor Relations Officer (HUD). The HA or HUD official shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the notice of findings) after receipt of a timely request for reconsideration, issue a written decision on the findings of violation. The written decision on reconsideration shall contain instructions that any appeal of the decision shall be addressed to the Regional Labor Relations Officer by letter postmarked within 30 calendar days after the date of the decision. In the event that the Regional Labor Relations Officer was the deciding official on reconsideration, the appeal shall be directed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations (HUD). Any appeal must set forth the aspects of the decision that are in dispute and the reasons, including any affirmative defenses, with respect to the violations. The Regional Labor Relations Officer shall, within 60 days (unless otherwise indicated in the decision on reconsideration) after receipt of a timely appeal, issue a written decision on the findings. A decision of the Regional Labor Relations Officer may be appealed to the Director, Office of Labor Relations, by letter postmarked within 30 days of the Regional Labor Relations Officer's decision. Any appeal to the Director must set forth the aspects of the prior decision(s) that are in dispute and the reasons. The decision of the Director, Office of Labor Relations, shall be final.

- (b) Disputes arising out of the labor standards provisions of paragraph 6 shall not be subject to paragraph 5(a) of this form HUD-5370C. Such disputes shall be resolved in accordance with the procedures of the U.S. Department of Labor set forth in 29 CFR Parts 5, 6 and 7. Disputes within the meaning of this paragraph 5(b) include disputes between the Contractor (or any of its subcontractors) and the HA, HUD, the U.S. Department of Labor, or the employees or their representatives.

6. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

The provisions of this paragraph 6 are applicable only where the amount of the prime contract exceeds \$100,000. As used in this paragraph, the terms "laborers" and "mechanics" includes watchmen and guards.

- (a) **Overtime requirements.** No Contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the Contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of 40 hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in such workweek.
- (b) **Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.** In the event of any violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph 6(a), the Contractor and any

subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such Contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to the District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of 40 hours without payment of the overtime wages required by provisions set forth in paragraph (a) of this clause.

- (c) **Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages.** HUD or its designee shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the U.S. Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the Contractor or subcontractor under any such Contract or any federal contract with the same prime Contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime Contractor such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such Contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the provisions set forth in paragraph (b) of this clause.

7. Subcontracts

The Contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts all the provisions contained in this Section II and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these provisions in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime Contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all the provisions contained in these clauses.

8. Non-Federal Prevailing Wage Rates

Any prevailing wage rate (including basic hourly rate and any fringe benefits), determined under state law to be prevailing, with respect to any employee in any trade or position employed under the Contract, is inapplicable to the contract and shall not be enforced against the Contractor or any subcontractor, with respect to employees engaged under the contract whenever such non-Federal prevailing wage rate, exclusive of any fringe benefits, exceeds the applicable wage rate determined by the Secretary of HUD to be prevailing in the locality with respect to such trade or position.

Attachment F
Sample Service Agreement

Attachment G

Sample Contract (HUD Form 51915)

Contract for Architectural Services

This service agreement (this “Agreement”) is made this 24th day of **September, 2024** (the “Effective Date”), by and between **Helena Housing Authority** (hereinafter referred to as “Owner”) and **Awarded Respondent to HHA-FY25-RFQ-001** (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”).

Recitals

- A. Owner is the owner of certain real property.
- B. Owner desires Contactor to provide labor, services, and necessary materials needed to facilitate **HHA-FY25-RFQ-001: Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Services** as specified in their proposal when requested by HHA’s Executive Director or designee(s) and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Agreement

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Definitions.

1.1 **Service.** “Service” shall mean and refer to the services agreed upon with Owner’s Executive Director or designee(s) and also described in the Contractor’s *proposal*.

1.2 **Proposal.** “Proposal” shall mean and refer to Contractor’s submitted response to **HHA-FY25-RFQ-001 (incorporated herein by reference).** f

2. Contractor Services. Contractor agrees to provide all the services listed in their proposal, keeping Owner apprised of any other services for which they are qualified and able to provide. All billable rates shall be in accordance with the rates listed in the proposal (or otherwise agreed to by and between Owner and Contractor.

2.1 **Services.** “Services”, and related project scopes, will be more fully defined in use(s) of either form **HUD-51915 (Model Form of Agreement Between Owner and Design Professional) (Attached as Exhibit C)** or ‘Fee Agreements’ made by and between Owner and Contractor. Use of any ‘Fee Agreements’ will necessarily incorporate all terms and conditions from form HUD-51915 and all other General HUD conditions referenced in Section 6 “General HUD Conditions”.

2.1.1 Services that may be tied to funding sources outside of CAP fund allocations (e.g. Operating Funds or Reserves) or for projects involving properties unable to utilize CAP funds (i.e. Owner’s affiliated non-profits: Helena Housing Development Corporation and Wilder Apartments, Inc.) or projects utilizing CDDB or HOME funds or other private and governmental funds may be paid by Owner to Contractor according to an **hourly-rate payment schedule (incorporated by reference from proposal as Exhibit D), another subsequent/post-proposal and agreed upon fee schedule, or another manner**

negotiated by and between Owner and Contractor based upon fair market rates of percentage-based fee(s) by total estimated or final construction costs per project scope, wherein all applicable terms and conditions contained within form HUD-51915 will apply.

3. Commencement. Contractor shall commence scheduling and providing services upon the dated signing of this contract.

4. Completion. This contract for service will be for **two (2) years of service, beginning on September 24, 2024 and ending on September 24, 2026**. Upon successful completion of the initial term and agreement between both parties, extensions of up to an additional three-year term will be available, up to a five-year maximum term before these services will need to be re-procured.

5. Price; Payment. Owner agrees to pay Contractor for the Services provided upon completion of each category or task and upon submittal of accurate invoices. Contractor also agrees that billable hours will be based on rates submitted with their proposal, or otherwise listed in Exhibit D, and/or by use(s) of form HUD-51915, and/or by percentage-based fee(s) informed by total estimated or final construction costs per project scope (as negotiated by and between Owner and Contractor).

6. General HUD Conditions. Contractor and HHA agree to comply with all additional terms and conditions contained in the attached forms **HUD-5370-C1 (General Conditions for Non-Construction Conditions)**, **HUD-5370-EZ (General Conditions for Small Construction/Development Contracts)**, and **HUD-51915-A (Contract Provisions Required by Federal Law or Owner Contract with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development)** which are attached as **Exhibit B** and otherwise incorporated herein by reference (as the “General Conditions”). Contractor and HHA further agree that revised or updated HUD forms will be incorporated and complied with as needed to replace any expired HUD forms that deem former versions obsolete.

7. Title to the Property. The title of all work, completed portions of the Project in the course of installation, and of all materials on account of which payment has been made shall be in Owner’s name.

8. Independent Contractor. Contractor is an independent contractor. This Agreement shall not create the relationship of an employer and employee, a partnership, or a joint venture. Contractor shall be solely responsible and liable for any employment-related taxes, insurance premiums, or other employment benefits respecting Contractor’s performance of the Services. Owner shall not be responsible for the payment of any duties or taxes imposed on the income or profits of the Contractor. Owner shall not control or direct the details or means by which Contractor performs the Services or its business.

9. Indemnification. Contractor shall hold harmless and indemnify HHA and its directors, officers, employees, and agents, from and against any third-party claim or action, liability, damages, and expenses, including but not limited to fees of attorneys, resulting from a breach of this Agreement by Contractor or from the willful or negligent act or omission of

Contractor or its employees, agents or subcontractors. Each party shall provide the other with prompt notice in writing of any such asserted claim and provide the other with reasonable information to help in the defense of such claims.

10. Severability. If any term or provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall to any extent be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement or the application of such term or provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby, and each term and provision of this Agreement shall be valid and enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

11. Exhibits. All exhibits not attached to this contract are incorporated herein by reference from **HHA-FY25-RFQ-001: Architectural & Engineering (A&E) Services** and Contractor's proposal and shall be deemed a part of this Agreement.

12. Interpretation. Any uncertainty or ambiguity existing in this Agreement shall not be interpreted against either party because such party prepared any portion of this Agreement, but shall be interpreted according to the application of rules of interpretation of contracts generally. If there is any conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the General Conditions, the terms of the General Conditions shall control.

13. Governing Law: Attorney Fees. This Agreement and all matters arising hereunder shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Montana. In any action or suit to enforce any right or remedy under this Agreement or to interpret any provision of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees.

14. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective heirs, personal representatives, successors, and assigns.

15. Entire Agreement. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. This Agreement cannot be modified or altered unless reduced to writing and consented to by all the undersigned parties.

The parties have executed this Agreement to be effective as of the date first written above

Contractor:

By: _____

Its:

Owner:

By:

Executive Director
Helena Housing Authority
Helena, MT 59601

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Introduction to Agreement

Agreement

made as of the _____ day of _____ in the year (yyyy) of _____

Between the **Owner** (Name & Address)

and the **Design Professional** (Name, Address and Discipline)

For the following **Project** (Include detailed description of Project, Location, Address, Scope and Program Designation)

The Owner and Design Professional agree as set forth below.

Article A: Services

A 1.0 Design Professional's Basic Services

A. 1.1 Areas of Professional's Basic Services. Unless revised in a written addendum or amendment to this Agreement, in planning, designing and administering construction or rehabilitation of the Project, the Design Professional shall provide the Owner with professional services in the following areas:

- o Architecture
- o Site Planning
- o Structural Engineering
- o Mechanical Engineering
- o Electrical Engineering
- o Civil Engineering
- o Landscape Architecture
- o Cost Estimating
- o Construction Contract Administration

A 1.2 Phases and Descriptions of Basic Services.

A. 1.2.1 Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Phase. After receipt of a Notice to Proceed from the Owner, the Design Professional shall prepare and deliver Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Documents. These documents shall consist of a presentation of the complete concept of the Project, including all major elements of the building(s), and site design(s), planned to promote economy both in construction and in administration and to comply with current program and cost limitations. The Design Professional shall revise these documents consistent with the requirements and criteria established by the Owner to secure the Owner's written approval. Additionally, the Design Professional shall make an independent assessment of the accuracy of the information provided by the Owner concerning existing conditions. Documents in this phase shall include:

- o Site plan(s)
- o Schedule of building types, unit distribution and bedroom count
- o Scale plan of all buildings, and typical dwelling units
- o Wall sections and elevations
- o Outline specifications
- o Preliminary construction cost estimates
- o Project specific analysis of codes, ordinances and regulations
- o Three dimensional line drawings

A. 1.2.2 Design Development Phase. After receipt of written approval of Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Documents, the Design Professional shall prepare and submit to the Owner Design Development Documents. The Design Professional shall revise these documents consistent with the requirements and criteria established by the Owner to secure the Owner's written approval. These documents shall include the following:

- o Drawings sufficient to fix and illustrate project scope and character in all essential design elements
- o Outline specifications
- o Cost estimates and analysis
- o Recommendations for phasing of construction
- o Site plan(s)
- o Landscape plan
- o Floor plans
- o Elevations, building and wall sections
- o Updated three dimensional line drawings
- o Engineering drawings

A. 1.2.3 Bidding, Construction and Contract Document Phase. After receipt of the Owner's written approval of Design Development Documents, the Design Professional shall prepare Construction Documents. After consultation with the Owner and Owner's attorney, if requested by the owner, the Design Professional shall also prepare and assemble all bidding and contract documents. The Design Professional shall revise these Bidding, Construction and Contract documents consistent with the requirements and criteria established by the Owner to secure the Owner's written approval. They shall, in a detailed manner, include all work to be performed; all material; workmanship; finishes and equipment required for the architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical, and site work; survey maps furnished by Owner; and direct reproduction of any logs and subsurface soil investigations. These documents shall include:

- o Solicitation for Bids
- o Form of Contract
- o Special Conditions
- o General Conditions
- o Technical Specifications
- o Plans and drawings
- o Updated cost estimates

A. 1.2.4 Bidding and Award Phase. After written approval of Bidding, Construction and Contract Documents from the Owner, the Design Professional shall assist in administering the bidding and award of the Construction Contract. This shall include:

- o Responding to inquiries
- o Drafting and issuing addendum approved by Owner
- o Attending prebid conference(s)
- o Attending public bid openings
- o Reviewing and tabulating bids
- o Recommending list of eligible bids
- o Recommending award
- o Altering drawings and specifications as often as required to award within the Estimated Construction Contract Cost

A. 1.2.5 Construction Phase. After execution of the Construction Contract, the Design Professional shall in a prompt and timely manner administer the Construction Contract and all work required by the Bidding, Construction and Contract Documents. The Design Professional shall endeavor to protect the Owner against defects and deficiencies in the execution and performance of the work. The Design Professional shall:

- o Administer the Construction Contract.
- o Conduct pre-construction conference and attend dispute resolution conferences and other meetings when requested by the Owner.
- o Review and approve contractor's shop drawings and other submittals for conformance to the requirements of the contract documents.
- o At the Owner's written request, and as Additional Service, procure testing from qualified parties.
- o Monitor the quality and progress of the work and furnish a written field report weekly, semi monthly, monthly, or _____ This service shall be limited to a period amounting to 110% of the construction period as originally established under the construction contract unless construction has been delayed due to the Design professional's failure to properly perform its duties and responsibilities. The Owner may direct additional monitoring but only as Additional Services.
- o Require any sub-consultant to provide the services listed in this section where and as applicable and to visit the Project during the time that construction is occurring on the portion of the work related to its discipline and report in writing to the Design Professional.
- o Review, approve and submit to Owner the Contractor Requests for Payment.
- o Conduct all job meetings and record action in a set of minutes which are to be provided to the Owner.
- o Make modifications to Construction Contract Documents to correct errors, clarify intent or to accommodate change orders.
- o Make recommendations to Owner for solutions to special problems or changes necessitated by conditions encountered in the course of construction.
- o Promptly notify Owner in writing of any defects or deficiencies in the work or of any matter of dispute with the Contractor.
- o Negotiate, prepare cost or price analysis for and counter-sign change orders.
- o Prepare written punch list, certificates of completion and other necessary construction close out documents.
- o Prepare a set of reproducible record prints of Drawings showing significant changes in the work made during construction, including the locations of underground utilities and appurtenances referenced to permanent surface improvements, based on marked-up prints, drawings and other data furnished by the contractor to the Design Professional.

A. 1.2.6 Post Completion/Warranty Phase. After execution of the Certificate of Completion by the Owner, the Design Professional shall:

- o Consult with and make recommendations to Owner during warranties regarding construction, and equipment warranties.
- o Perform an inspection of construction work, material, systems and equipment no earlier than nine months and no later than ten months after completion of the construction contract and make a written report to the Owner. At the Owner's request, and by Amendment to the Additional Services section of this contract, conduct additional warranty inspections as Additional Services.
- o Advise and assist Owner in construction matters for a period up to eighteen months after completion of the project, but such assistance is not to exceed forty hours of service and one nonwarranty trip away from the place of business of the Design Professional.

A. 1.3 Time of Performance. The Design Professional's schedule for preparing, delivering and obtaining Owner's approval for Basic Services shall be as follows:

- o Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Documents within _____ calendar days for the date of the receipt of a Notice to Proceed.
- o Design Development Documents within _____ calendar days from the date of receipt of written approval by the Owner of Schematic Design/Preliminary Study documents.
- o Bidding, Construction and Contract Documents within _____ calendar days from the date of receipt of written approval by the Owner of Design Development Documents.

A. 2.0 Design Professional's Additional Services

A. 2.1 Description of Additional Services. Additional Services are all those services provided by the Design Professional on the Project for the Owner that are not defined as Basic Services in Article A, Section 1.2 or otherwise required to be performed by the Design Professional under this Agreement. They include major revisions in the scope of work of previously approved drawings, specifications and other documents due to causes beyond the control of the Design Professional and not due to any errors, omissions, or failures on the part of the Design Professional to carry out obligations otherwise set out in this Agreement.

A. 2.2 Written Addendum or Contract Amendment. All additional services not already expressly required by this agreement shall be agreed to through either a written addendum or amendment to this Agreement.

Article B: Compensation and Payment B.

1.0 Basic Services

B. 1.1 Fixed Fee for Basic Services. The Owner will pay the Design Professional for Basic Services performed as defined by A.1.2, a Fixed Fee (stipulated sum) of \$ _____ plus Reimbursable Expenses identified in Article B.2.0. Such

payment shall be compensation for all Basic Services required, performed, or accepted under this Contract.

B. 1.2 Payment Schedule. Progress payments for Basic Services for each phase of work shall be made in proportion to services performed as follows:

Phase	Amount
Schematic Design/Preliminary Study Phase	\$ _____
Design Development Phase	\$ _____
Bidding, Construction & Contract Document Phase	\$ _____
Bidding & Award Phase	\$ _____
Construction Phase	\$ _____
Post Completion/ Warranty Phase	\$ _____
Total Basic Services	\$ _____

B. 2.0 Reimbursables

B. 2.1 Reimbursable Expenses. The Owner will pay the Design Professional for the Reimbursable Expenses listed below up to a Maximum Amount of \$ _____ Reimbursable Expenses are in addition to the Fixed Fee for Basic Services and are for certain actual expenses incurred by the Design Professional in connection with the Project as enumerated below.

B. 2.1.1 Travel Costs. The reasonable expense of travel costs incurred by the Design Professional when requested by Owner to travel to a location that lies outside of a 45 mile radius of either the Project site, Design Professional's office (s), and Owner's office.

B. 2.1.2 Long Distance Telephone Costs. Long distance tele-phone calls and long distance telefax costs.

B. 2.1.3 Delivery Costs. Courier services and overnight delivery costs.

B. 2.1.4 Reproduction Costs. Reproduction and postage costs of required drawings, specifications, Bidding and Contract documents, excluding the cost of reproductions for the Design Professional or Subcontractor's own use.

B. 2.1.5 Additional Reimbursables. The Design Professional and Owner may agree in an addendum or amendment to this Agreement to include certain other expenses not enumerated above as Reimbursable Expenses. These Reimbursables shall not be limited by the Maximum Amount agreed to above. A separate Maximum Amount for these Reimbursables shall be established.

B. 3.0 Additional Services

B. 3.1 Payment for Additional Services. The Owner will pay the Design Professional only for Additional Services agreed to in an addendum or amendment to this Agreement executed by the Owner and the Design Professional pursuant to A.2. Payment for all such Additional Services shall be in an amount and upon the terms set out in such amendment or addendum and agreed upon by the parties. Each such amendment or addendum shall provide for a fixed price or, where payment for such Additional Services is to be on an hourly basis or other unit pricing method, for a

maximum amount; each such amendment or addendum shall also provide for a method of payment, including, at a minimum, whether payment will be made in partial payments or in lump sum and whether it will be based upon percentage of completion or services billed for.

B. 4.0 Invoicing and Payments

B. 4.1 Invoices. All payments shall require a written invoice from the Design Professional. Invoices shall be made no more frequently than on a monthly basis. Payments for Basic Services shall be in proportion to services completed within each phase of work. When requesting such payment, the invoice shall identify the phase and the portion completed. All invoices shall state the Agreement, name and address to which payment shall be made, the services completed and the dates of completion, and whether the invoice requests payment for Basic Services, Reimbursable or Additional Services. Invoices seeking payment for Reimbursable or Additional Services must provide detailed documentation.

B. 4.2 Time of Payment. Upon the Design Professional's proper submission of invoices for work performed or reimbursable expenses, the Owner shall review and, if the work is in conformance with the terms of the Agreement, make payment within thirty days of the Owner's receipt of the invoice.

Article C: Responsibilities

C. 1.0 Design Professional's Responsibilities

C. 1.1 Basic Services. The Design Professionals shall provide the Basic Service set out in Article A.1.0.

C. 1.2 Additional Services. When required under this Agreement or agreed to as set out in A.2.0, the Design Professional shall provide Additional Services on the Project.

C. 1.3 General Responsibilities. The Design Professional shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and coordination of all designs, drawings, specifications, and other services, furnished by the Design Professional under this Agreement. The Owner's review, approval, acceptance of, or payment for Design Professional services shall not be construed as a waiver of any rights under this Agreement or of any cause of action for damages caused by Design Professional's negligent performance under this Agreement. Furthermore, this Agreement does not restrict or limit any rights or remedies otherwise afforded the Owner or Design Professional by law.

C. 1.4 Designing Within Funding Limitations. The Design Professional shall perform services required under this Contract in such a manner so as to cause an award of a Construction Contract(s) that does not exceed (1) \$ _____ or (2) an amount to be provided by the Owner in writing to the Design Professional prior to the commencement of Design Professional services. This fixed limit shall be called the Maximum Construction Contract Cost. The amount may be increased by the Owner, but only with written notice to the Design Professional. If the increase results in a change to the scope of work, an amendment to this Agreement will be required. The Design Professional and the Owner may mutually agree to decrease the Maximum Construction Contract Cost, but only by signing a written amendment to this Agreement. Should bids for the Construction Contract(s) exceed the Maximum Construction Contract Cost, the Owner has the right to require the Design Professional to perform redesigns,

rebids and other services necessary to cause an award of the Construction Contract within the Maximum Construction Contract Cost without additional compensation or reimbursement.

C. 1.5 Compliance with Laws, Codes, Ordinances and Regulations. The Design Professional shall perform services that conform to all applicable Federal, State and local laws, codes, ordinances and regulations except as modified by any waivers which may be obtained with the approval of the Owner. The Design Professional shall certify that Contract Documents will conform to all applicable laws, codes, ordinances and regulations. The Design Professional shall prepare all construction documents required for approval by all governmental agencies having jurisdiction over the project. The Design professional shall make all changes in the Bidding and Construction Documents necessary to obtain governmental approval without additional compensation or reimbursement, except in the following situations. If subsequent to the date the Owner issues a notice to proceed, revisions are made to applicable codes or non-federal regulations, the Design Professional shall be entitled to additional compensation and reimbursements for any additional cost resulting from such changes. The Design Professional, however, is obligated to notify the Owner of all significant code or regulatory changes within sixty (60) days of their change, and such notification shall be required in order for the Design Professional to be entitled to any additional compensation or reimbursement. Both the owner and design professional are responsible for ensuring that the design and construction comply with any applicable accessibility laws, including the Fair Housing Act (see 24 C.F.R. § 100.205), Sect. 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (Sect. 504), and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Compliance with Sect. 504 requires adherence to the Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards (See <https://www.access-board.gov/guidelines-and-standards/buildings-and-sites/about-the-aba-standards/ufas>) and compliance with the ADA requires adherence to the 2010 ADA standards (See https://www.ada.gov/regs2010/2010ADASTandards/2010ADASTandards_prt.pdf).

C. 1.6 Seal. Licensed Design Professionals shall affix their seals and signatures to drawings and specifications produced under this Agreement when required by law.

C. 1.7 Attendance at Conferences. The Design Professional or designated representative shall attend project conferences and meetings involving matters related to basic services covered under this contract. Attendance at community wide meetings shall be considered an additional service.

C. 2.0 Owner's Responsibilities

C. 2.1 Information. The Owner shall provide information regarding requirements for the project, including a program that shall set forth the Owner's objectives and schedule. The Owner shall also establish and update the Maximum Construction Cost. This shall include the Owner's giving notice of work to be performed by the Owner or others and not included in the Construction Contract for the Project. The Design Professional, however, shall be responsible to ascertain and know federal requirements and limitations placed on the Project.

C. 2.2 Notice of Defects. If the Owner observes or otherwise becomes aware of any fault or defect in the construction of the project or nonconformance with the Construction Contract, the Owner shall give prompt written notice of those faults, defects or nonconformance to the Design Professional.

C.2.3 Contract Officer. The Owner shall designate a Contract Officer authorized to act on its behalf with respect to the design and construction of the Project. The Contract Officer shall examine documents submitted by the Design Professional and shall promptly render decisions pertaining to those documents so as to avoid unreasonably delaying the progress of the Design Professional's work.

C. 2.4 Duties to Furnish. The Owner shall provide the Design Professional the items listed below.

C. 2.4.1 Survey and Property Restrictions. The Owner shall furnish topographic, property line and utility information as and where required. The Owner may at its election require the Design Professional to furnish any of these items as an Additional Service.

C. 2.4.2 Existing Conditions. The Owner shall provide the Design Professional any available "built drawings of buildings or properties, architect surveys, test reports, and any other written information that it may have in its possession and that it might reasonably assume affects the work.

C. 2.4.3 Waivers. The Owner shall provide the Design Professional information it may have obtained on any waivers of local codes, ordinances, or regulations or standards affecting the design of the Project.

C. 2.4.4 Minimum Wage Rates. The Owner shall furnish the Design Professional the schedule of minimum wage rates approved by the U.S. Secretary of Labor for inclusion in the solicitation and Contract Documents.

C. 2.4.5 Tests. When expressly agreed to in writing by both the Owner and the Design Professional, the Owner shall furnish the Design Professional all necessary structural, mechanical, chemical or other laboratory tests, inspections and reports required for the Project.

C. 2.4.6 Contract Terms. The Owner or its legal counsel may provide the Design Professional text to be incorporated into Bidding and Construction Contract Documents.

Article D: Contract Administration

D. 1.0 Prohibition of Assignment. The Design Professional shall not assign, subcontract, or transfer any services, obligations, or interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Owner. Such consent shall not unreasonably be withheld when such assignment is for financing the Design Professional's performance.

D. 1.1 Ownership of Documents. All drawings, specifications, studies and other materials prepared under this contract shall be the property of the Owner and at the termination or completion of the Design Professional's services shall be promptly delivered to the Owner. The Design Professional shall have no claim for further employment or additional compensation as a result of exercise by the Owner of its full rights of ownership. It is understood, however, that the Design Professional does not represent such data to be suitable for re-use on any other project or for any other purpose. If the Owner re-uses the subject data without the Design Professional's written verification, such re-use will be at the sole risk of the Owner without liability to the Design Professional.

D. 1.2 Substitutions.

A. The Design Professional shall identify in writing principals and professional level employees and shall not substitute or replace principals or professional level employees without the prior approval of the Owner which shall not unreasonably be withheld.

B. The Design Professional’s personnel identified below are considered to be essential to the work effort. Prior to diverting or substituting any of the specified individuals, the Design Professional shall notify the Owner reasonably in advance and shall submit justification, including proposed substitutions, in sufficient detail to permit evaluation of the impact on the contract. No diversion or substitution of such key personnel shall be made by the Design professional without the prior written consent of the Owner.

D. 1.3 Suspension. The Owner may give written notice to the Design Professional to suspend work on the project or any part thereof. The Owner shall not be obligated to consider a claim for additional compensation if the Design Professional is given written notice to resume work within 120 calendar days. If notice to resume work is not given within 120 calendar days, the Design Professional shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in compensation.

D. 1.4 Subcontracts. The Design Professional will cause all applicable provisions of this Agreement to be inserted in all its subcontracts.

D. 1.5 Disputes. In the event of a dispute arising under this Agreement, the Design Professional shall notify the Owner promptly in writing and submit its claim in a timely manner. The Owner shall respond to the claim in writing in a timely manner. The Design Professional shall proceed with its work hereunder in compliance with the instructions of the Owner, but such compliance shall not be a waiver of the Design Professional’s rights to make such a claim. Any dispute not resolved by this procedure may be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or by consent of the Owner and Design Professional by other dispute resolution methods.

D. 1.6 Termination. The Owner may terminate this Agreement for the Owner’s convenience or for failure of the Design Professional to fulfill contract obligations. The Owner shall terminate by delivering to the Design Professional a Notice of Termination specifying the reason therefore and the effective date of termination. Upon receipt of such notice, the Design Professional shall immediately discontinue all services affected and deliver to the Owner all information, reports, papers, and other materials accumulated or generated in performing this contract whether completed or in process. If the termination is for convenience of the Owner, the Owner shall be liable only for payment for accepted services rendered before the effective date of termination.

D. 1.7 Insurance. The Design professional shall carry Commercial or Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, Professional Liability Insurance (for a period extending two years past the date of completion of construction), and other insurance as are re-quired by law, all in minimum amounts as set forth below. The Design Professional shall furnish the Owner certificates of insurance and they shall state that a thirty day notice of prior cancellation or change will be provided to the Owner. Additionally, the Owner shall be an additional insured on all Commercial or Comprehensive General liability policies.

Insurance	Limits or Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

D. 1.8 Retention of Rights. Neither the Owner’s review, approval or acceptance of, nor payment for, the services required under this contract shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this contract or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this contract, and the Design Professional shall be and remain liable to the Owner in accordance with the applicable law for all damages to the Owner caused by the Design professional’s negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this contract.

Article E: Additional Requirements

E. 1.0 Contract Provisions Required by Federal Law or Owner Contract with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

E. 1.1 Contract Adjustments. Notwithstanding any other term or condition of this Agreement, any settlement or equitable adjustment due to termination, suspension or delays by the Owner shall be negotiated based on the cost principles stated at 48 CFR Subpart 31.2 and conform to the Contract pricing provisions of 2 CFR 200.

E. 1.2 Additional Services. The Owner shall perform a cost or price analysis as required by 2 CFR 200 prior to the issuance of a contract modification/amendment for Additional Services. Such Additional Services shall be within the general scope of services covered by this Agreement. The Design Professional shall provide supporting cost information in sufficient detail to permit the Owner to perform the required cost or price analysis.

E. 1.3 Restrictive Drawings and Specifications. In accordance with 2 CFR 200 and contract agreements between the Owner and HUD, the Design Professional shall not require the use of materials, products, or services that unduly restrict competition.

E. 1.4 Design Certification. Where the Owner is required by federal regulations to provide HUD a Design Professional certification regarding the design of the Projects (24 CFR 905), the Design Professional shall provide such a certification to the Owner.

E. 1.5 Retention and Inspection of Records. Pursuant to 2 CFR 200, access shall be given by the Design Professional to the Owner, HUD, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Design Professional which are directly pertinent to that specific Contract for the purpose of making an audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions. All required records shall be retained for three years after the Owner or Design Professional and other subgrantees make final payments and all other pending matters are closed.

E. 1.6 Copyrights and Rights in Data. HUD has no regulations pertaining to copyrights or rights in data as provided in 2 CFR 200. HUD requirements, Article 45 of the General Conditions to the Contract for Construction (form HUD-5370) requires that contractors pay all royalties and license fees. All drawings and specifications prepared by the Design Professional pursuant to this contract will identify any applicable patents to enable the general contractor to fulfil the requirements of the construction contract.

E. 1.7 Conflicts of Interest. Based in part on federal regulations (2 CFR 200 and Contract agreement between the Owner and HUD, no employee, officer, or agent of the Owner (HUD grantee) shall participate in selection, or in the award or administration of a contract supported by Federal funds if a conflict of interest, real or apparent, would be involved.

Such a conflict would arise when:

- (i) The employee, officer or agent,
- (ii) Any member of his or her immediate family,
- (iii) His or her partner, or
- (iv) An organization that employs, or is about to employ, any of the above, has a financial or other interest in the firm selected for award. The grantee's or subgrantee's officers, employees or agents will neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors or anything of monetary value from Contractors, or parties to sub-agreements. Grantees and subgrantees may set minimum rules where the financial interest is not substantial or the gift is an unsolicited item of nominal intrinsic value. To the extent permitted by State or local law or regulations, such standards or conduct will provide for penalties, sanctions, or other disciplinary actions for violations of such standards by the grantee's and subgrantee's officers, employees, or agents or by Contractors or their agents. The awarding agency may in regulation provide additional prohibitions relative to real, apparent, or potential conflicts of interest.

Neither the Owner nor any of its contractors or their subcontractors shall enter into any Contract, subcontract, or agreement, in connection with any Project or any property included or planned to be included in any Project, in which any member, officer, or employee of the Owner, or any member of the governing body of the locality in which the Project is situated, or any member of the governing body of the locality in which the Owner was activated, or in any other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any responsibilities or functions with respect to the Project during his/her tenure or for one year thereafter has any interest, direct or indirect. If any such present or former member, officer, or employee of the Owner, or any such governing body member or such other public official of such locality or localities involuntarily acquires or had acquired prior to the beginning of

his/her tenure any such interest, and if such interest is immediately disclosed to the Owner and such disclosure is entered upon the minutes of the Owner, the Owner, with the prior approval of the Government, may waive the prohibition contained in this subsection: Provided, That any such present member, officer, or employee of the Owner shall not participate in any action by the Owner relating to such contract, subcontract, or arrangement.

No member, officer, or employee of the Owner, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, no member of the governing body of the locality in which the Owner was activated, and no other public official of such locality or localities who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project, during his/her tenure or for one year thereafter, shall have any interest, direct or indirect, in this contract or the proceeds thereof.

E. 1.8 Disputes. In part because of HUD regulations (2 CFR 200, this Design Professional Agreement, unless it is a small purchase contract, has administrative, contractual, or legal remedies for instances where the Design Professional violates or breaches Agreement terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as may be appropriate.

E. 1.9 Termination. In part because of HUD regulations (2 CFR 200), this Design Professional Agreement, unless it is for an amount of \$10,000 or less, has requirements regarding termination by the Owner when for cause or convenience. These include the manner by which the termination will be effected and basis for settlement.

E. 1.10 Interest of Members of Congress. Because of Contract agreement between the Owner and HUD, no member of or delegate to the Congress of the United States of America or Resident Commissioner shall be admitted to any share or part of this Contract or to any benefit to arise from it.

E. 1.11 Limitation of Payments to Influence Certain Federal Transaction. The Limitation on Use of Appropriated Funds to Influence Certain Federal Contracting and Financial Transactions Act, Section 1352 of Title 31 U.S.C., provides in part that no appropriated funds may be expended by recipient of a federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement to pay any person, including the Design Professional, for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of Congress in connection with any of the following covered Federal actions: the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

E. 1.12 Employment, Training, and Contracting Opportunities for Low-Income Persons, Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968.

A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (section 3). The purpose of section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.

B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 135 regulations.

C. The contractor agrees to send to each labor organization or representative of workers with which the contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other understanding, if any, a notice advising the labor organization or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this section 3 clause, and will post copies of the notice in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.

D. The contractor agrees to include this section 3 clause in every subcontract subject to compliance with regulations in 24 CFR part 135, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract or in this section 3 clause, upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 135.

E. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 135 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 135.

F. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

G. Reserved.

H. Reserved.

E. 1.13 Reserved.

E. 1.14 Clean Air and Water. (Applicable to contracts in excess of \$150,000). Because of 2 CFR 200) and Federal law, the Design Professional shall comply with applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 1857h-4 transferred to 42 USC § 7607, section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1368), Executive Order 11738, and Environmental Protection Agency regulations (40 CFR part 15), on all contracts, subcontracts, and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000.

E. 1.15 Energy Efficiency. Pursuant to Federal regulations (2 CFR 200) and Federal law, except when working on an Indian housing authority Project on an Indian reservation, the Design Professional shall comply with the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163 codified at 42 U.S.C.A. § 6321 et. seq.).

E. 1.16 Prevailing Wages. In accordance with Section 12 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437j) the Design Professional shall pay not less than the wages prevailing in the locality, as determined by or adopted (subsequent to a determination under applicable State or local law) by the Secretary of HUD, to all architects, technical engineers, draftsmen, and technicians.

E. 1.17 Non-applicability of Fair Housing Requirements in Indian Housing Authority Contracts. Pursuant to 24 § CFR Part 1, title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-2000d-4), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin in federally assisted programs, and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3620), which prohibits discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or familial status in the sale or rental of housing do not apply to Indian Housing Authorities established by exercise of a Tribe's powers of self-government. Pursuant to 24 CFR § 1000.12, other civil rights statutes do apply to Indian Housing Authorities such as, Section 504, the Indian Civil Rights Act, and the Age Discrimination Act. (29 USC 794; 25 USC 1301.1303; and 42 USC 6101-6107 respectively).

E. 1.18 Prohibition Against Liens. The Design professional is Prohibited from placing a lien on the Owner's property. This prohibition shall be placed in all design professional subcontracts.

Article F: Other Owner Requirements (if any)

(Continue on additional pages as necessary)

This Agreement is entered into as of the day and year first written above.

Owner

Design Professional

(Housing Authority)

(Firm)

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Print Name)

(Print Title)

(Print Title)

Addendum (If any)

(Additional Services and other modifications)

This is an Addendum to a Standard Form of Agreement between Owner and Design Professional signed and dated the _____ day of _____ in the year (yyyy) of _____ between the Owner _____ and Design Professional _____ on Project _____. The parties to that Agreement agree to modify the Agreement by the above delineated Additional Services and modifications.

This Addendum is dated this _____ day of _____ in the year (yyyy) of _____

Owner

Design Professional

(Housing Authority)

(Firm)

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Print Name)

(Print Name)

(Print Title)

(Print Title)