

**STANDARD PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES
CONTRACT DOCUMENTS
FOR
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
ESCAMBIA COUNTY
AND**

FORM H: CONSULTING SERVICES FOR STUDY

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AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES

This Agreement is made this ____ day of_____, 201__, by and between Escambia County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, by and through its Board of County Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as "County"), with administrative offices located at 221 South Palafox Place, Pensacola, Florida 32502, and _____, a for-profit corporation, authorized to do business in the State of Florida (hereinafter referred to as "Consultant"), whose federal identification number is_____, and whose principal address is_____.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Consultant is a firm with expertise in the area of providing consulting services for _____; and

WHEREAS, the County is in need of a consultant to provide such services for the County to _____.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms and conditions, promises, covenants and payments hereinafter set forth, the County and the Consultant agree as follows:

ARTICLE I **PREAMBLE**

1.1 The recitals contained in the preamble of this Agreement are declared to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated into this Agreement.

1.2 The Board of County Commissioners has met the requirements of the Consultants' Competitive Negotiation Act, as contained in Section 287.055, Florida Statutes, as amended, and has selected the Consultant to perform the services hereunder.

1.3 Negotiations pertaining to the services to be performed by the Consultant were undertaken between Consultant and a committee selected by the Board of County Commissioners, and this Agreement incorporates the results of such negotiation.

ARTICLE 2 **SCOPE OF WORK**

2.1 The Consultant will provide certain professional consultant services for the tasks outlined in Escambia County's Request for Letters of Interest (RLI) in Specification No. PD _____, _____ and as represented in the Consultant's Letter of Interest response to PD_____, subsequent interview, and proposal presentation. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the proposal and this Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall prevail.

2.2 The basic services to be provided are set forth in Exhibit "A," attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein, and unless otherwise specified, such services shall be completed in accordance with the standard care in the profession at the time such services are rendered.

2.3 Such services, generally, shall include those services performed by a consultant, its employees, and subcontractors, as more specifically enumerated in the Scope of Work of Exhibit "A" and any other services specifically included therein.

2.4 The Consultant shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and the coordination of all designs, drawings, specifications, and other services furnished by the Consultant under this Agreement. The Consultant shall, without additional compensation, correct or revise any errors or omissions in its designs, drawings, specifications, and other services furnish pursuant to the Agreement.

(a) Neither the County's review, approval or acceptance of, nor payment for, the services required under this Agreement shall be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights under this Agreement or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Agreement, and the Consultant shall be and remain liable to the County in accordance with applicable law for all damages to the County caused by the Consultant's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this Agreement.

(b) The rights and remedies of the County provided for under this Agreement are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

(c) If the Consultant is comprised of more than one legal entity, each such entity shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

ARTICLE 3 **TIME FOR PERFORMANCE**

3.1 The schedule for completion of the Consultant's services shall be in accordance with Exhibit "B," which is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Such schedule may be modified from time to time upon the mutual consent of the County and the Consultant.

3.2 These services shall be performed as expeditiously as is consistent with professional skill and care and the orderly progress of the Project. The Consultant's schedule for the performance of its services shall include allowances for periods of time required for the County's review and for its approval of submissions by the Consultant. Time limits established by this schedule, which are hereby approved by the County, shall not be exceeded by the Consultant, except for reasonable cause.

3.3 Prior to beginning the performance of any basic services under this Agreement, the Consultant must receive in writing a Notice to Proceed from the Contract Administrator.

ARTICLE 4

COMPENSATION AND METHOD OF BILLING AND PAYMENT

4.1 The County agrees to pay the Consultant, as compensation for its services under this Agreement, an aggregate fee for certain project tasks pursuant to the fee schedule set forth in Exhibit "C," attached hereto and made a part hereof. At the completion of each task, the Consultant will be compensated by a lump sum amount, which has been negotiated for that task, unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the parties hereto. The total fee for all such services, to be performed by the Consultant, including costs, direct expenses, and any other charges is to be paid as follows: A lump sum amount of _____ (\$_____). Final payment will be subject to approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

4.2 **FEE SCHEDULE:** The "fee schedule," as used herein, shall mean the charges shown in Exhibit "C" for certain tasks to be performed by the Consultant. Such fees shall include, all inclusively the Consultant's salaries of professional and administrative staff, sick leave, vacation, unemployment, excise and payroll taxes, contributions for social security, unemployment compensation insurance, retirement benefits, medical and insurance benefits, air travel, auto travel, telephone, facsimile, reproduction costs, other routine overhead expenses, profit, and all other expenses of every type.

4.3 **DIRECT EXPENSES:** Direct expenses are those expenses directly attributable to the Project, which will be exclusively borne by Consultant, and are included in its aggregate fee, they shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (a) Transportation expenses in connection with the Project.
- (b) Living expenses in connection with travel and any other travel expenses.
- (c) Long distance communications and other miscellaneous budget expenses.
- (d) Cost of printing plans, drawings, and specifications which are required by or of the Consultant to deliver the services set forth in this Agreement. The Consultant agrees and understands that it will furnish to the County two (2) sets of all Project plans, reports, and specifications in a bound format acceptable to the County.
- (e) Cost of any software or hardware used or developed for the Project, including CAD/CADD time.

4.4 **METHOD OF BILLING AND PAYMENT:**

- (a) For lump sum contracts, the Consultant may submit bills to the County at the completion and approval of each task or at the partial completion of a task on a pro-rata basis. However, requests for payment shall not be made more frequently than once a month. The Consultant shall submit such monthly statements identifying the nature of the work performed.

Calculations shall be made monthly of the amount and value of the work accomplished and services performed by the Consultant which meet the standards of quality established under this Agreement. The estimates shall be prepared by the Consultant and accompanied by such supporting data as required by the Contract Administrator.

(b) The County agrees that it shall pay the Consultant within forty five (45) business days of receipt of the Consultant's statement provided that the invoice is correct and is consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

(c) Payments under this Agreement and interest on any late payments shall be governed by the Florida Prompt Payment Act, §§ 218.70, et seq., Florida Statutes, as amended.

ARTICLE 5

ADDITIONAL SERVICES AND CHANGES IN SCOPE OF WORK

5.1 The County or the Consultant may request changes that would increase, decrease, or otherwise modify the Scope of Work to be provided under this Agreement. Such changes must be in accordance with the procurement policies of the County and must be contained in a written amendment, executed by the parties thereto, with the same formality and of equal dignity prior to any deviation from the terms of this Agreement, including the initiation of any extra work.

ARTICLE 6

COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

6.1 The County shall furnish to the Consultant, as required for performance of the Consultant's basic services, all available data prepared by or the result of the services of others, including without limitation (as may be appropriate): building plans and related drawings, core borings, probings, and subsurface explorations, hydraulic surveys, laboratory tests, and inspections of samples, materials, and equipment, appropriate professional interpretations of all of the foregoing; environmental assessments and impact statements, appropriate professional interpretations of all of the foregoing; property boundary, easement, rights-of-way, topographic and utility surveys; property descriptions; zoning, deed, and other land use restrictions; and any other special data or consultations relating to this Project.

6.2 The County shall arrange for access to and make all provisions for the Consultant to enter upon public and private property as required for the Consultant to perform its services.

6.3 Within a reasonable time so as not to delay the services of the Consultant, the County shall examine all studies, reports, sketches, drawings, specifications, proposals, and other documents presented by the Consultant, obtain advice of an attorney,

insurance counselor, or other Consultants, as the County deems appropriate, for such examinations and the rendering, if required, of written opinions pertaining thereto.

6.4 The County shall furnish approvals and permits from all governmental authorities having jurisdiction over the Project and such approvals and consents from others as may be necessary for completion of the Project.

6.5 The County shall give prompt written notice to the Consultant whenever the County observes or otherwise becomes aware of any development that affects the scope of timing of the Consultant's services, or any defect in the work of the Consultant.

ARTICLE 7

CONSULTANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.1 QUALITY OF SERVICES:

(a) The Consultant shall be responsible for the professional quality, technical accuracy, and the coordination of all designs, drawings, specifications, and other services furnished pursuant to this Agreement.

(b) To that end, the Consultant shall correct or shall revise, without additional compensation, any errors or deficiencies in its work product or shall make such revisions as are necessary as the result of the failure of the Consultant to provide an accurate, more efficient product in its designs, drawings, specifications, or other services.

(c) The County's review/approval/acceptance of or payment for, the services required by this Agreement shall NOT be construed to operate as a waiver of any rights or of any cause of action arising out of the performance of this Agreement. Additionally, the Consultant shall be and remain liable to the County in accordance with applicable law for all damages to the County caused by the Consultant's negligent performance of any of the services furnished under this Agreement.

(d) The rights and remedies of the County provided for under this Agreement are in addition to any other rights and remedies otherwise provided by law.

ARTICLE 8

GENERAL PROVISIONS

8.1 OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS:

(a) Drawings, specifications, design, models, photographs, reports, surveys, and other data, including intellectual property of any type or description, produced by the Consultant in connection with this Agreement are and shall remain the property of the County whether the Project for which they were made is completed or not. Such

ownership also shall include any electronic files developed or created of such documents.

(b) When such documents are provided to other parties, the Consultant shall ensure return of the County's property by collecting, if appropriate, a deposit equal to the cost of reproduction. Such deposit shall be returned if the documents are timely returned in a useable condition. Otherwise, such deposit shall be retained by the Consultant.

8.2. TERMINATION:

(a) This Agreement may be terminated by either party for cause, or by the County for convenience, upon fourteen (14) days written notice by the terminating party to the other party of such termination in which event the Consultant shall be paid its compensation for services performed to termination date, including all reimbursable expenses then due or incurred to the date of termination.

(b) Termination for cause shall include, but not be limited to, misuse of funds, fraud, lack of compliance with applicable rules, laws, regulations, and ordinances, and failure to perform in a timely manner any provision of this Agreement.

(c) In no event shall a termination for convenience by the County be deemed a default, and any such termination shall not subject the County to any penalty or other claim for damages. If the Consultant abandons this Agreement or causes it to be terminated, the Consultant shall indemnify the County against any loss pertaining to this termination up to a maximum of 1.3 times the full contracted fee amount of the Project. All finished or unfinished documents, data, studies surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports prepared by the Consultant shall become the property of the County and shall be immediately delivered by the Consultant to the County.

(d) Vendor suspension or debarment proceedings brought by County pursuant to Chapter 46, Article II, Division 2, Section 46-102, Escambia County Code of Ordinances, shall be grounds for immediate termination of this Agreement.

8.3 RECORDS:

(a) The Consultant shall keep such records and accounts and shall require any subcontractors to keep records and accounts as may be necessary in order to record complete and correct entries as to personnel hours charged to this engagement and any expenses for which the Consultant expects to be reimbursed. Such books and records will be available at all reasonable times for examination and audit by the County, and shall be kept for a period of three (3) years after the completion of all work to be performed pursuant to this Agreement. Incomplete or incorrect entries in such books and records will be grounds for disallowance by the County of any fees or expenses based upon such entries.

(b) The Consultant acknowledges that this Agreement and any related financial records, audits, reports, plans, correspondence, and other documents may be subject to disclosure to members of the public pursuant to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, as amended. Consultant shall maintain all such public records and, upon request, provide a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected within a reasonable time. Consultant shall also ensure that any public records that are exempt or exempt and confidential from disclosure are not disclosed except as authorized by law. Upon the expiration or termination of the Agreement, Consultant agrees to maintain all public records for a minimum period of five (5) fiscal years in accordance with the applicable records retention schedules established by the Florida Department of State. In the event the Consultant fails to abide by the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, the County may, without prejudice to any right or remedy and after giving the Consultant and its surety, if any, seven (7) days written notice, during which period the Consultant still fails to allow access to such documents, terminate the employment of the Consultant. In such case, the Consultant shall not be entitled to receive any further payment. Reasonable terminal expenses incurred by the County may be deducted from any payments left owing the Consultant (excluding monies owed the Consultant for subcontractor work).

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

Escambia County
Office of the County Administrator
221 Palafox Place, Suite 420
Pensacola, Florida 32502
(850) 595-4947

8.4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST. Consultant agrees it shall not contract for or accept employment for the performance of any work or service with any individual, business corporation, or government unit that would create a conflict of interest in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement. Consultant further agrees it will neither take any action nor engage in any conduct that would cause any County employee or official to violate the provisions of Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, relating to ethics in government. Consultant also agrees to comply with the County's ordinance prohibiting conflicts of interest among retained consultants.

8.5 NO CONTINGENT FEES: The Consultant warrants that it has not employed or retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Consultant to solicit or secure this Agreement and that it has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual, or firm, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the Consultant any fee, commission, percentage, gift, or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For the breach or violation of this provision, the County shall have the right to terminate the Agreement without liability and at its discretion, to deduct from the contract price, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such fee, commission, percentage, gift, or consideration.

8.6 SUBCONTRACTORS: The County approves the use of subcontractors by the Consultant. In the event the Consultant, during the course of the work under this Agreement, requires the services of any subcontractors or other professional associates in connection with services covered by this Agreement, it must secure the prior written approval of the County for employment of such subcontractors.

8.7 ASSIGNMENT: This Agreement, or any interest herein, shall not be assigned, transferred, or otherwise encumbered, under any circumstances, by the Consultant, without the prior written consent of the County. However, the Agreement shall run with the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners and its successors.

8.8 HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OF COUNTY:

The Consultant agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the County and its agents, officers, and employees from all liabilities, damages, losses, and costs, including attorneys' fees and paralegals' fees, incurred by County to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of Consultant or by any person, firm, or corporation to whom any portion of the performance of this Agreement is subcontracted to or used by the Consultant, or by any other person for whom the Consultant is legally liable. Consultant's obligation as provided herein shall be limited to its proportionate share of liability to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness or intentional wrongful misconduct of Consultant or by any person, firm or corporation to whom any portion of the Work is subcontracted by Consultant, and Consultant shall not be required to indemnify and hold harmless County where County's negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be the sole cause of its liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including attorney's and paralegal fees.

County and Consultant agree one percent (1%) of the Contract Amount paid by County to Consultant shall be given as separate consideration for this indemnification, and any other indemnification of County by Consultant provided for within the Contract Documents, the sufficiency of such separate consideration being acknowledged by Consultant by Consultant's acceptance and execution of the Agreement.

Consultant agrees that such indemnification by the Consultant relating to any matter which is the subject of this Agreement shall extend throughout the term of this

Agreement and any statutes of limitations thereafter. The Consultant's obligation shall not be limited by, or in any way to, any insurance coverage or by any provision in or exclusion or omission from any policy of insurance.

8.9 INSURANCE. The Consultant is required to carry the following insurance:

- (a) Commercial General Liability with \$1,000,000 minimum per occurrence, including coverage parts of bodily injury, property damage, broad form property damage, personal injury, independent contractors, blanket contractual liability, and completed operations.
- (b) Automobile Liability with \$1,000,000 per occurrence minimum combined single limits for all hired, owned, and non-owned vehicles.
- (c) Professional Liability coverage with \$1,000,000 minimum limit, except where the estimated construction contract price for the project described in the Agreement is greater than \$5 Million dollars, the minimum limit of professional liability coverage shall be equal to 25% of the estimated construction contract price for the project. Said coverage shall be continuously maintained and in effect for a period of not less than **five (5) years** from the effective date of this Agreement. The policy limit of liability shall not include legal fees and other defense costs. If a claims made form of coverage is provided, the retroactive date of coverage shall be no later than the effective date of this Agreement and shall not be advanced.

If at any time during the aforementioned policy period there should be a cancellation, non-renewal, or lapse in coverage, professional liability coverage shall be extended for the remainder of the five year period with a supplemental extended reporting period (SERP) endorsement to take effect upon expiration of the policy period referenced above. The limits of liability applicable to the SERP coverage shall be equal to the limits of liability applicable to the policy referenced above and to which the endorsement attaches.

- (d) Florida statutory workers' compensation and employers' liability with employer's liability limits of at least \$100,000 each accident and \$100,000 each employee/\$500,000 policy limit for disease.
- (e) It is understood and agreed by the parties that in the event that the Consultant consists of a joint venture, partnership, or other association of professional or business firms, each such firm shall be required to individually carry the above cited coverages.
- (f) Consultant agrees all liability coverage shall be through carriers admitted to do business in the State of Florida. Certificates of insurance shall be provided to the

County prior to commencement of work hereunder. Certificates shall reflect the additional insured status of Escambia County and shall provide for a minimum of thirty (30) days notice of cancellation. Escambia County and the Board of County Commissioners also shall be the certificate holders.

8.10 REPRESENTATIVE OF COUNTY AND CONSULTANT:

(a) It is recognized that questions in the day-to-day conduct of the Project will arise. The Contract Administrator, upon request by the Consultant, shall designate and shall advise the Consultant in writing, persons to whom all communications pertaining to the day-to-day conduct of the Project shall be addressed.

(b) The Consultant shall inform the Contract Administrator in writing of the representative of the Consultant to whom matters involving the conduct of the Project shall be addressed.

8.11 ALL PRIOR AGREEMENTS SUPERSEDED:

(a) This document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, or understandings applicable to the matters contained herein, and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representations or Agreements whether oral or written.

(b) It is further agreed that no modification, amendment, or alteration in the terms or conditions contained herein shall be effective unless contained in a written document executed with the same formality and of equal dignity herewith.

8.12 TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATION CERTIFICATE: The signing of this Agreement by the Consultant shall act as the execution of a truth-in-negotiation certificate stating that wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation of this Agreement are accurate, complete, and current at the time of contracting. The original contract price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the County determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete, or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such contract adjustments shall be made within one (1) year following the end of this Agreement.

8.13 HEADINGS: Headings and subtitles used throughout this Agreement are for the purpose of convenience only, and no heading or subtitle shall modify or be used to interpret the text of any section.

8.14 GRATUITIES: Neither the Consultant nor any of its employees, agents, and representatives shall offer or give to an officer, official, or employee of the County gifts, entertainment, payments, loans, or other gratuities. The Consultant acknowledges knowledge of the State of Florida's ethics statutes and to the extent applicable to the Consultant, the Consultant agrees to abide with such statutes.

8.15 NOTICE. Any notice, payment or other communication under this Agreement required hereunder or desired by the party giving such notice shall be given in writing and delivered by hand or through the instrumentality of certified mail of the United States Postal Service or private courier service, such as Federal Express. Unless otherwise notified in writing of a new address, notice shall be made to each party as follows:

To: _____
Attention: _____

To: County
Attention: County Administrator
221 Palafox Place
Pensacola, Florida 32502

Rejection, or other refusal by the addressee to accept, or the inability of the courier service or the United States Postal Service to deliver because of a changed address of which no notice was given, shall be deemed to be receipt of the notice sent. Any party shall have the right, from time to time, to change the address to which notices shall be sent by giving the other party at least ten (10) days prior notice of the address change.

8.16 SURVIVAL: All other provisions which, by their inherent character, sense, and context are intended to survive termination of this Agreement, shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

8.17. GOVERNING LAW. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, and the parties stipulate that venue shall be in the County of Escambia.

8.18 ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior oral or written agreements. Consultant acknowledges that it has not relied upon any statement, representation, prior or contemporaneous written or oral promises, agreements or warranties, except such as are expressed herein. The terms and conditions of this Agreement can only be amended in writing upon mutual agreement of the parties.

8.19 INTERPRETATION: For the purpose of this Agreement, the singular includes the plural and the plural shall include the singular. References to statutes or regulations shall include all statutory or regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, or replacing the statute or regulation referred to. Words not otherwise defined that have well-known technical or industry meanings, are used in accordance with such recognized meanings. References to persons include their respective permitted successors and assigns and, in the case of governmental persons, persons succeeding to their respective functions and capacities.

- (a) If the Consultant discovers any material discrepancy, deficiency, ambiguity, error, or omission in this Agreement, or is otherwise in doubt as to the meaning of any provision of the Agreement, the Consultant shall immediately

notify the County and request clarification of the County's interpretation of this Agreement.

(b) This Agreement shall not be more strictly construed against either party hereto by reason of the fact that one party may have drafted or prepared any or all of the terms and provisions hereof.

8.20 SEVERABILITY: The invalidity or non-enforceability of any portion or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision. Any invalid or unenforceable portion or provision shall be deemed severed from this Agreement and the balance hereof shall be construed and enforced as if this Agreement did not contain such invalid or unenforceable portion or provision.

8.21. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS. Consultant agrees to comply with all federal, state and local laws, rules, policies, or guidelines related to the performance of this Agreement, including but not limited to properly registering as a lobbyist for representation of the County with the appropriate governmental entities as well as making all necessary lobbying reports in a timely manner to the proper authorities.

8.22 EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION (E-VERIFY): In accordance with State of Florida, Office of the Governor, Executive Order 11-116 (superseding Executive Order 11-02; Verification of Employment Status), in the event performance of this Agreement is or will be funded using state or federal funds, the CONTRACTOR must comply with the Employment Eligibility Verification Program ("E-Verify Program") developed by the federal government to verify the eligibility of individuals to work in the United States and 48 CFR 52.222-54 (as amended) is incorporated herein by reference. If applicable, in accordance with Subpart 22.18 of the Federal Acquisition Register, the CONTRACTOR must (1) enroll in the E-Verify Program, (2) use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of all new hires working in the United States, except if the CONTRACTOR is a state or local government, the CONTRACTOR may choose to verify only new hires assigned to the Agreement; (3) use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of all employees assigned to the Agreement; and (4) include these requirement in certain subcontracts, such as construction. Information on registration for and use of the E-Verify Program can be obtained via the internet at the Department of Homeland Security Web site: <http://www.dhs.gov/E-Verify>.

8.23 PARTICIPATION IN OTHER PROCEEDINGS: At the County's request, the Consultant shall allow itself to be joined as a party in any legal proceeding that involves the County regarding the design, construction, or installation of any matter which is the subject of this Agreement. This provision is for the benefit of the County and not for the benefit of any other party.

8.24 FURTHER DOCUMENTS: The parties shall execute and deliver all documents and perform further actions that may reasonably necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement.

8.25 NO WAIVER: The failure of the Consultant or the County to insist upon the strict performance of the terms and conditions hereof shall not constitute or be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of any other provision or of either party's right to thereafter enforce the same in accordance with this Agreement.

8.26 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION. Pursuant to the requirements of Florida law and Article II of Chapter 46, Escambia County Code of Ordinances, the County's performance and obligation to fund this Agreement shall be contingent upon an annual appropriation by the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have made and executed this Agreement on the respective dates under each signature: Escambia County, Florida through its Board of County Commissioners, signing by its County Administrator, duly authorized to execute this Agreement and (Consultant Firm's Name), signing by and through its President, duly authorized to execute same.

COUNTY:

ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, a political subdivision of the State of Florida acting by and through its duly authorized Board of County Commissioners.

WITNESS: _____

By: _____
County Administrator

WITNESS: _____

Date: _____

BCC Approved: _____

CONSULTANT:

(Consultant Firm's Name), a for-profit corporation authorized to do business in the State of Florida.

ATTEST: Corporate Secretary

By: _____
President

By: _____
Secretary

Date: _____

[CORPORATE SEAL]