RESOLUTION NO. 2026-361

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, OR DESIGNEE, FOR MISC. 3068; PIGGYBACK AND UTILIZATION OF SEMINOLE COUNTY'S CONTRACT #IFB-5222-26/LTT WITH CORNERSTONE CONSTRUCTION INC FOR THE STRATTON ROAD TRANSFER STATION TIPPING FLOOR REPAIR PROJECT

RECITALS

WHEREAS, The Stratton Road Transfer Station Tipping floor requires repairs to the existing concrete floor to maintain the facility and support continued County operations; and

WHEREAS, The proposed project includes all labor, materials and equipment to repair and replace the existing wear surface, scarification of existing slab; repair of cracks, chips and holes in remaining existing slab, priming, epoxy floor repair if needed, finishing, saw cut, curing, joint filler, for approximately 15,000 square feet of floor area and installation of minimum two-inch Emery Top 400 topping; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with SJC Purchasing Policy, Section 6.2.12, Cooperative Procurement/Piggybacking, the Purchasing Director has the authority to piggyback contracts which have been established through the use of an open competitive bidding process; and

WHEREAS, Seminole County Term Contract for Central Transfer Station Systems Operations & Maintenance IFB-5222-26/LTT, with Cornerstone Construction Services Inc., has been established utilizing an open competitive process and provides for concrete and masonry, composite concrete repair, and related construction and maintenance services applicable to the Stratton Road Transfer Station Tipping Floor Repair project.; and

WHEREAS, Purchasing is requesting authorization to piggyback and utilize the Seminole County's Contract #IFB-5222-26/LTT with Cornerstone Services, Inc., for the Stratton Road Transfer Station Tipping Floor Repair project, in the amount of $976,387.20.

WHEREAS, the County finds that entering into a contract for the completion of work serves a public purpose and the contract will be in substantial conformance with the attached draft; and

WHEREAS the project will be funded by the Public Works Solid Waste Department.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:

Section 1. The above Recitals are incorporated by reference into the body of this Resolution and such Recitals are adopted as finds of fact.

Section 2. The County Administrator, or designee, is hereby authorized to piggyback and utilize the Seminole County Contract # IFB-5222-26/LTT, Central Transfer Station Systems Operations & Maintenance, with Cornerstone Construction Services, Inc., for the Stratton Road Transfer Station Tipping Floor Repair project in the amount not to exceed $976,387.20.

Section 3. Upon approval by the Board, County Administrator, or designee, is hereby further authorized to execute an agreement in substantially the same form and format as the attached draft for the completion of the project as specifically provided in Misc 3068.

Section 4. To the extent that there are typographical and/or administrative errors that do not change the tone, tenor, or concept of this Resolution, then this Resolution may be revised without subsequent approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, on this 3rd day of November, 2026.

Rendition Date NOV 03 2026

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ST. JOHNS COUNTY FLORIDA

MASTER CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
ST. JOHNS COUNTY AND CONTRACTOR

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This Master Construction Agreement ("Contract") is made this date of _____, 2026 (the "Effective Date") by and between **ST. JOHNS COUNTY** ("County"), a political subdivision of the State of Florida, whose principal offices are located at 500 San Sebastian View, St. Augustine, FL 32084; and **CORNERSTONE CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC** ("Contractor"), a company authorized to do business in the State of Florida, with its principal offices located at: 4205 Edgewater Dr., Orlando, FL 32804, Phone: 407-299-3299, and E-mail: info@ccsorlando.com for **Misc. 3068 Stratton Road Transfer Station Tipping Floor Repair** hereinafter referred to as the "Project". When referenced together, the County and Contractor shall collectively be referred to as the Parties.

In consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

1.1 The Contract Documents

1.1.1 The Contract Documents are the collective documents which form the Contract, and shall govern completion of the Work. The Contract Documents hereby include the following:

a) Fully Executed Change Orders and Amendments to this Agreement;
b) Field Orders signed by County's Project Manager;
c) Notice to Proceed;
d) This Master Construction Agreement and all Exhibits and/or Attachments hereto:
    a. Exhibit A: Scope of Work
    b. Exhibit B: Proposal
e) Bonds and Insurance furnished by the Contractor in accordance with Article XIII herein;
f) Bid Documents and Bid Forms with all addenda thereto for Piggyback Seminole County's Contract No. **IFB-5222-26/LTT**

1.1.2 Documents not enumerated above are not Contract Documents and do not form part of this Contract. No terms, conditions, limitations or exclusions in Contractor's submitted Bid or invoices shall be binding upon County or become part of the Contract Documents. In the event of discrepancies, the Contract Documents shall be interpreted in the order of precedence as listed above in Section 1.1.1. Additionally, Specifications shall govern over Drawings, electronic documents shall govern over hard-copy documents, numerical dimensions shall govern over dimensions acquired by scaling, and fully executed documents shall govern over unsigned drafts.

1.1.3 Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples and similar submittals (hereafter "Submittals") are not Contract Documents. The County will review and take action upon Contractor's submitted Submittals but only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with information given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. Review of Submittals is not conducted for the purpose of determining the accuracy and completeness of other details, such as dimensions and quantities, nor for substantiating instructions for installation or performance of equipment or systems, all of which remain the responsibility of Contractor.

1.1.4 All Submittals (whether in hard or soft copy) prepared by or on behalf of Contractor in the course of the Work shall be the exclusive property of the County. Ownership of any proprietary information or intellectual property contained in such Submittals shall remain with Contractor. Contractor grants the County a perpetual, royalty-free, license to use, copy and allow third parties to use such Submittals and all proprietary information contained in them as may be required for the County's internal business purposes including without limitation tendering, installing, operating, repairing, maintaining, modifying, reconstructing, replacing and/or upgrading the Work. Such license shall be capable of transfer and/or sub-licencing in whole or part without notice to or further consent of Contractor. Contractor shall not be held liable for reuse of Contractor's Submittals by the County for purposes other than originally intended as stated in the Contract Documents.

1.1.5 Contractor is solely responsible for requesting instructions, interpretations, or clarifications to the Contract Documents and is solely liable for any costs and/or expenses arising from its failure to do so. Contractor shall have a continuing duty to read, carefully study and compare each of the Contract Documents, the Submittals and shall give immediate written notice to the Project Manager and the County of any inconsistency, ambiguity, error or omission which Contractor may discover with respect to these documents before proceeding with the affected Work. The issuance, or the express or implied approval by the County or the Project Manager of the Contract Documents or Submittals shall not relieve any such approval by evidence of Contractor's compliance with the Contract. The County has requested the Project

Manager to provide to Contractor documents for the Project, including the Drawings and Specifications for the Project, which are accurate, adequate, consistent, coordinated, and sufficient for construction. HOWEVER, THE COUNTY MAKES NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY OF ANY NATURE WHATSOEVER TO CONTRACTOR CONCERNING SUCH DOCUMENTS. By the execution hereof, Contractor acknowledges and represents that it has received, reviewed and carefully examined such documents, has found them to be complete, accurate, adequate, consistent, coordinated and sufficient for construction, and that Contractor has not, does not, and shall not rely upon any representation or warranties by the County concerning such documents as no such representation or warranties have been or are hereby made.

1.1.6 Any dispute relating to the Contract Documents, shall be resolved through good faith efforts upon the part of the Contractor and the County. Should Contractor have any questions concerning interpretation or clarification of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall submit to the County's Project Manager, in writing, a request for clarification that clearly and concisely sets forth the issues for which such request is sought. Such request shall be submitted to the Project Manager by the Contractor within three (3) business days of receipt of the Contract Documents, or the direction, interpretation, or clarification thereof provided by the County. The County's Project Manager shall render a determination concerning such interpretation or clarification, which shall be considered final and conclusive unless Contractor files a written protest within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt thereof. Contractor's protest shall be submitted to the Purchasing Director, and shall state clearly and in detail the basis thereof. Failure by the Contractor to protest the County Project Manager's rendered determination within the timeframe above, shall constitute a waiver by the Contractor of all its rights to further protest, judicial, or otherwise. The Purchasing Director shall consider the Contractor's protest and shall render a decision thereon, in writing, within ten (10) calendar days. If Contractor does not agree with the determination of the Purchasing Director, the Contractor shall deliver written notice to that effect to the County within three (3) business days of receipt of the determination by the Purchasing Director.

1.1.7 Unless otherwise directed in writing, Contractor shall at all times carry on with the Work and maintain its progress schedule in accordance with the requirements of the Contract and the determination of the County, pending resolution of any Contract Document dispute. In no event will a dispute, the filing of a protest, claim or appeal, or the resolution or litigation thereof, relieve Contractor from its obligation to timely perform the Work required by the Contract and to maintain the progress schedule in accordance with the Contract.

1.1.8 Any and all Contract Documents shall remain the property of the County. Contractor is granted a limited license to use and reproduce applicable portions of the Contract Documents issued by the County appropriate to, and for use in, execution of the Work. Contractor shall have the right to keep one record set of the Contract Documents upon completion of the Work; provided, however, that in no event shall Contractor and/or its subcontractors use, or permit to be used, any or all of such Contract Documents on other projects without the specific written consent of the County.

1.2 Definitions

Terms used within this Agreement shall have the meaning as set forth in the St. Johns County Purchasing Policy, or as provided herein. Terms defined herein for specific application to this Contract shall govern over definition of terms provided in the St. Johns County Purchasing Policy.

1.2.1 Acceptance of the Work: Written acceptance of the Work by the County and the County's Project Manager.

1.2.2 Applicable Laws: All local, state, and federal laws, statutes, codes, ordinances, rules and regulations in effect at the time Work and Warranty Work is performed under this Contract.

1.2.3 Claim: Any claim, liability, loss, demand, demand for arbitration, damage, lien, cause of action of any kind, obligation, responsibility, cost, expense, royalty, fee, assessment, penalty, fine, judgment, interest or award, pending or threatened, whether arising by law, contract, tort, voluntary settlement or otherwise.

1.2.4 Contract Price: The sum set forth in Article IV of this Contract shall constitute the Contract Price, as may be amended by Change Order. Unless otherwise approved by the County in writing, the Contract Price includes all taxes, including without limitation, income and withholding tax of any kind and sales tax imposed by the state or by the County and paid by Contractor or any Subcontractors with respect to sales of goods purchased for the performance of the Work.

1.2.5 Contract Time: The number of calendar days between commencement and completion of the Work, established in

paragraph 3.1.1 of this Contract, as may be amended by Change Order.

1.2.6 Design: Those design services related to the Project prepared by the County or the County's consultants or other representatives, which shall, as may be required, be included in Contractor's Work.

1.2.7 Drawings: The graphic and pictorial portions of the Contract Documents, illustrating the design, location and dimensions of the Work, generally including but not limited to, plans, elevations, sections, details, general notes, schedules and diagrams.

1.2.8 Final Completion: Completion of all Work in compliance with the Contract Documents, as determined by the County, and issuance of a Final Certificate for Payment.

1.2.9 Force Majeure Events: Those events that are not reasonably foreseeable and are beyond the control of both the Contractor and the County, including acts of war, terrorist attacks, labor strikes, floods, earthquakes, epidemics, pandemics, riots, adverse weather conditions, and other acts of God.

1.2.10 Jobsite: Any physical location or other place on, under, in, at or through which any aspect of the Work is performed.

1.2.11 Notice to Proceed: A written notice given by the County to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Time will commence and identifying the corresponding Substantial Completion and Final Completion dates.

1.2.12 Product Data: Illustrations, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, brochures, diagrams and other information furnished by Contractor to illustrate materials or equipment for some portion of the Work.

1.2.13 Project: The total undertaking to be accomplished for County by engineers, contractors, and others, including planning, study, design, construction, testing, commissioning, and start-up, and of which the Work to be performed under the Contract Documents is a part.

1.2.14 Project Manager: The County's representative assigned to the Project, or any part thereof, to observe the Work and perform certain other obligations of the County as defined in Article VI below.

1.2.15 Shop Drawings: Drawings, diagrams, schedules, and other data specially issued for the Work by Contractor or a Subcontractor, Sub-subcontractor, and material suppliers to illustrate some portion of the Work.

1.2.16 Specifications: That portion of the Contract Documents consisting of the written requirements for materials, standards, equipment, construction systems, and standards of workmanship for the Work, and performance of related services.

1.2.17 Subcontractor: A Subcontractor is an individual, partnership, corporation, association, joint-venture or any combination thereof, which has a direct or indirect contract with Contractor to perform a portion of the Work.

1.2.18 Substantial Completion: The stage in the progression of the Work when the Work is sufficiently complete in accordance with this Contract so that the County can enjoy beneficial use or occupancy of the Work and can utilize the Work for its intended purpose.

1.2.19 Work: Construction and services required by the Contract Documents, including all labor, materials, equipment and services as well as other deliverables provided, or to be provided, by Contractor to fulfill Contractor's obligations under this Contract. The Work may constitute the whole or part of the Project.

1.3 Ownership of Contract Documents

Any and all Contract Documents shall remain the property of the County. Contractor is granted a limited license to use and reproduce applicable portions of the Contract Documents issued by the County appropriate to, and for use in, execution of the Work. Contractor shall have the right to keep one record set of the Contract Documents upon completion of the Work; provided, however, that in no event shall Contractor and/or Contractor's subcontractors use, or permit to be used, any or all of such Contract Documents on other projects without the specific written consent of the County.

ARTICLE II THE WORK

2.1 Project Description

The Project involves all labor, materials and equipment to repair and replace the existing wear surface, scarification of existing slab; repair of cracks, chips and holes in remaining existing slab, priming, epoxy floor repair if needed, finishing, saw cut, curing, joint filler, for approximately 15,000 square feet of floor area and installation of minimum two-inch Emery Top 400 topping.

2.2 Labor and Materials

2.2.1 Contractor shall perform all of the Work required, implied, or reasonably inferable from, the Contract Documents. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide and pay for all labor, supervision, materials, supplies, tools, transportation, storage, construction equipment and machinery, utilities (including but not limited to water, heat, fuel, light, and cooling), and all other services necessary for proper execution and completion of the Work, whether temporary or permanent and whether or not incorporated or to be incorporated in the Work. Materials, articles and equipment furnished by Contractor for incorporation into the Work shall be new unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents.

2.2.2 Contractor shall use only competent and skilled personnel to perform and supervise the Work and shall remove from such Work any person determined to be unfit, unqualified, or acting in violation of any obligation of Contractor under this Contract. In the event a person is removed from the Work, Contractor shall promptly replace such individual with another who is fully competent and skilled to perform the Work at Contractor's sole expense.

2.2.3 Except as otherwise required for the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Jobsite or adjacent thereto, and except as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, all Work at the Jobsite shall be performed during regular working hours, Monday through Friday. Contractor will not perform Work on a Saturday, Sunday, or any legal holiday. Contractor may perform Work outside regular working hours or on Saturdays, Sundays, or legal holidays only with the County's prior written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

2.2.4 In addition, when the Work requires by Florida Statute, Contractor shall use only licensed, registered and/or certified personnel to perform the Work. Such Statutes may include, but are not limited to, Chapter 489 (Regulation of Professions and Occupations Contracting) and Chapter 633, Part III (Fire Protection and Suppression) of the Florida Statutes.

2.3 Project Sequencing/Arrangement

Contractor shall not be limited in the sequencing or staging of the Work except to the extent that the Contract Documents impose limitations. Neither the organization of any of the Contract Documents into divisions, sections, paragraphs, articles, (or other categories), nor the organization/arrangement of the Drawings or Design, shall control Contractor in dividing the Work or in establishing the extent or scope of Work to be performed by Subcontractors.

2.4 Payment of Costs

Except as otherwise expressly provided, Contractor shall pay directly all costs and expenses of the Work of any kind or nature whatsoever including but not limited to all costs of permitting, regulatory compliance, obtaining and maintaining required bonds and insurance pursuant to Article XIII, payments due to Subcontractors and suppliers, legal, financial, sales, use and similar taxes on materials and equipment, transportation and storage of materials and equipment, preparation of schedules, budgets and reports and all other costs required to achieve Substantial Completion and Final Completion in accordance with the Contract Documents.

2.5 Cleaning the Jobsite

Contractor shall keep the Jobsite neat, secure and orderly during performance of the Work and shall clean up and remove all waste, rubbish and construction debris from the Jobsite as they accumulate. Upon Final Completion of the Work, Contractor shall remove all waste, rubbish and construction debris from and about the Jobsite as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment, temporary utilities, temporary construction and machinery and surplus materials. Contractor shall restore to original condition all property not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

2.6 Reporting Requirements

2.6.1 Daily Record. The Contractor shall keep a daily record of the Work at the Jobsite. At a minimum the Daily Record shall include weather conditions, number of workers (by trade) on the Jobsite, and material/equipment deliveries. Daily Records shall be submitted by close of business the following day.

2.6.2 Monthly Report. The Contractor shall prepare and submit a written monthly report by the tenth day of each calendar month. Monthly reports shall at a minimum describe Work completed in the prior month, planned Work for the current month, detailed explanations of any activity that is behind schedule, corrective actions taken to recover schedule, safety and environmental incidents and corrective actions taken.

2.7 Title and Risk of Loss

Title to the structures, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment and materials constituting the Work or the Project shall pass to the County no later than time of payment. Such transferred title shall in each case be good, free and clear of any and all security interests, liens or other encumbrances. Contractor shall, however, bear all risk of loss concerning such structures, improvements, fixtures, machinery, equipment and materials until Substantial Completion, regardless of the extent to which the loss was insured or the availability of insurance proceeds. The transfer of title does not imply acceptance by the County nor does it relieve Contractor from the responsibility for any loss or damage to items.

2.8 Access to Work

The County and the Project Manager, shall at all reasonable times have full access to all parts and locations of the Jobsite(s) from commencement of the Work through Final Completion. Contractor shall take whatever steps necessary to provide such access when requested.

2.9 Utilities

Contractor shall, at its expense, make all arrangements necessary to secure the availability of and maintain all temporary utilities required to construct and operate Contractor's Work as required by the Contract Documents. If the scope of Work requires, Contractor shall arrange for activating permanent power, water, and sanitary service to the Project prior to Substantial Completion. This includes legal sketches and descriptions for easement as well as record drawings requirements required by utility companies. The County will assume permanent utility costs at Substantial Completion.

2.10 Existing Utility Lines

2.10.1 When existing Utility Lines (e.g. conduits, pipelines, transmission mains and utility equipment and appurtenances) shown on the Drawings are to be removed or relocated, Contractor shall notify the Project Manager in ample time (but in no event less than five (5) business days) for taking measures for prevention of the interruption of any required services prior to the beginning of operations. Locations of existing utility lines shown on the Drawings are based on the best information available to the Project Manager, but shall not be considered exact either as to location or number of such lines.

2.10.2 Contractor shall protect Utility Lines constructed under terms of the Contract and those discovered or shown on Drawings to be existing. In the event that Contractor damages any existing Utility Lines, shown or not shown on the Drawings, Contractor shall immediately notify the Project Manager. Damage occurring to existing Utility Lines due to Contractor's failure to exercise reasonable care shall be repaired or replaced at no cost to the County.

2.11 Taxes

2.11.1 Contractor shall pay all taxes, levies, duties and assessments of every nature which may be applicable to any Work under this Contract. The Contract Price and any agreed variations thereof shall include all applicable taxes imposed by law. Contractor shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law. Contractor herein indemnifies and holds the County harmless from any liability on account of any and all such taxes, levies, duties, assessments and deductions. The indemnity provision of this section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract. Contractor may not use County's tax-exempt status unless specifically authorized in writing in advance.

2.11.2 Foreign Entity Tax Withholding. Amounts due to certain foreign persons or entities may be subject to backup withholding taxes under federal law. If Contractor is a foreign person or entity that is required to complete Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") Form W-8ECI, Contractor shall provide County a copy of Contractors current Form W-8ECI prior to issuance of any invoice or payment under this Contract. If Contractor fails to timely provide a completed, current Form W-8ECI, County will withhold all backup withholding taxes from the amounts due to the Contractor, remit such sums to the IRS, and pay Contractor only the remainder. County makes no representation regarding the tax treatment of amounts due to

Contractor, and Contractor releases and holds the County harmless from any claims or damages in any way relating to or arising from any tax withholding by County pursuant to this section.

2.12 Publicity and Advertising

2.12.1 Contractor shall not make any announcement or release any information or publish any photographs concerning this Contract, the Work or the Project or any part thereof to any member of the public, press or any official body, unless prior written consent is obtained from the County.

2.12.2 Use of the County Seal or County Logo is strictly prohibited. In accordance with, County Ordinance 92-2 and County Administrative Policy 101.3, Contractor may not manufacture, use, display, or otherwise use any facsimile or reproduction of the County Seal or Logo without express written approval of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida.

2.13 County Furnished Items

2.13.1 The County shall furnish to Contractor, at the time of executing this Contract, written and tangible material concerning conditions below ground at the Jobsite. Such written and tangible material is furnished to Contractor only in order to make disclosure of such material and for no other purpose. By furnishing such material, the County does not represent, warrant, or guarantee its accuracy either in whole, in part, implicitly, or at all, and shall have no liability therefore. The County shall also furnish surveys, legal limitations and utility locations (if known), and a legal description of the Project's Jobsite.

2.13.2 Contractor shall obtain and pay for all permits, fees and licenses necessary and ordinary for the performance of the Work. Excluding such permits, fees and licenses, the County shall obtain all approvals, easements, and the like required for construction.

2.13.3 Subject to Paragraph 1.6 above, the County shall furnish Contractor electronic copies of the Contract Documents for execution of the Work. Hard copies of the Contract Documents shall be the responsibility of Contractor.

ARTICLE III CONTRACT TIME

3.1 Contract Time

3.1.1 Contractor shall commence the Work within ten (10) calendar days following receipt of the County's Notice to Proceed and shall substantially complete all Work within **thirty (30)** consecutive calendar days as may be extended pursuant to Paragraph 9.2 of this Contract. Final Completion shall be reached within **thirty (30)** consecutive calendar days after Substantial Completion.

3.1.2 Contractor, prior to commencing the Work, shall submit to the Project Manager for his/her information, Contractor's schedule for completing the Work. Contractor's schedule shall be revised no less frequently than monthly (unless the parties otherwise agree in writing), and relate to the entire Work. By way of illustration and not exclusion, Contractor's schedule shall: (1) contain sufficient activities to assure adequate planning for the Work, (2) include approved changes to the Work that impact the schedule, (3) include a clearly defined critical path, and (4) include a unique description for each activity. In the event any schedule revision impacts the completion time as provided in Paragraph 3.1.1 above, Contractor shall submit a request for additional time, in accordance with procedures as provided in Paragraph 9.2 below. Failure by Contractor to strictly comply with the provisions of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Contract.

3.2 Time is of the Essence

Time is of the essence regarding each and every obligation of Contractor under this Contract. Each obligation is deemed material, and a breach of any such obligation (including a breach resulting from untimely performance) is a material breach.

3.3 Substantial Completion

3.3.1 When Contractor considers the Work is substantially complete, Contractor shall notify the Project Manager in writing and submit a comprehensive list of incomplete items to be completed or corrected prior to Final Completion. The Project Manager will promptly inspect the Work following receipt of Contractor's notice and attached list of incomplete

items. The Project Manager may refuse to inspect the Work if the Work is obviously not substantially complete or when Contractor s list is not complete.

3.3.2 To the extent applicable to Contractor's specific Work scope, the following items shall be completed prior to Contractor's request for a Substantial Completion inspection.

a) All general construction completed.
b) Project Jobsite cleared of Contractor's excess equipment, storage shacks, trailers, and/or building supplies.
c) Project record Drawings and Specifications submitted in accordance with the Contract Documents.
d) Preliminary as-built drawings submitted.
e) All applicable permits required for use provided.
g) All operations and maintenance manuals, training literature, and software for all equipment provided.
h) Manufacturers' certifications and warranties provided.
i) All required spare parts and special tools provided.

3.3.3 If Substantial Completion is not obtained at the inspection called by Contractor, for reasons which are the fault of Contractor, the cost of any subsequent inspections requested by Contractor for the purpose of determining Substantial Completion shall be the responsibility of Contractor and shall be assessed against the final payment application.

3.3.4 Once Substantial Completion is achieved and within the time allowed by F.S. 218.70 et seq, the Project Manager will prepare the punch list required by the Local Government Prompt Payment Act. Unless otherwise mutually agreed, the punch list items shall be corrected by Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days and prior to any request for Final Inspection and Acceptance. The failure to include any corrective Work or pending items not yet completed on the list does not alter the responsibility of Contractor to complete the Work pursuant to this Contract.

3.4 Final Inspection

When all the Work is finally complete and Contractor is ready for a final inspection, Contractor shall provide written notice to the County and the Project Manager. The Project Manager, with Contractor's cooperation, will conduct such reviews, inspections and tests as may be reasonably required to satisfy the County that the Work, or identified portion of the Work, conforms to all requirements of the Contract Documents. If the Project Manager determines that the Work or any part of the Work is not complete or fails to conform to the Contract Document requirements, Contractor will be notified in writing of deficiencies. After correcting all deficiencies Contractor shall again initiate the procedures for final inspection as set forth above. The Project Manager will issue a Final Certificate for Payment following satisfactory inspection of the Work provided Contractor has delivered to the Project Manager the final corrected as-built Drawings and the final bill of materials, if any.

3.5 Liquidated Damages

3.5.1 Execution of this Contract by Contractor shall constitute Contractor's acknowledgment that the County will sustain damages in the amount identified in Paragraph 3.5.2 below for each and every calendar day during which completion of the Work required is delayed beyond Substantial Completion or Final Completion. Contractor and County agree that such damages shall be presumed to be the damages actually sustained by the County as defined below, and that because of the nature of the Project, it would be impracticable or impossible to determine or extremely difficult to fix the actual damages.

3.5.2 If Contractor fails to achieve Substantial Completion or Final Completion of the Work by its applicable date, then the County shall be entitled to withhold from any amounts otherwise due Contractor or to be paid as a debt due the sum of **$750.00** per day for each and every calendar day of unexcused delay "Liquidated Damages". The parties agree that such Liquidated Damages are not a penalty but rather a genuine pre-estimate of monetary damages sustained by the County for loss of revenue and/or increased project administration expenses related to this Contract because Contractor failed to perform and complete Work within the time fixed for completion or additional time granted pursuant to the provisions hereof. The assessment of Liquidated Damages are without prejudice to the County's rights of termination and Contractor's obligation to complete the Work

3.5.3 Should Contractor fall behind the approved Work schedule; the County reserves the right to deduct Liquidated Damages based on an estimated period of late completion. The County need not wait until completion of Work to withhold Liquidated Damages from Contractor's progress payments.

3.6 Disclaimer of Consequential Damages

The County shall not be liable to Contractor, whether in contract, tort, warranty or under any statute or on any other basis, for any consequential, incidental, indirect, special, punitive or exemplary damages suffered or incurred by Contractor in connection with this Contract, even if the County has been advised of the possibility of such damages. Consequential damages shall include, by way of example and without limitation, opportunity costs, loss of use of facilities or other assets, consequential damage claims of subcontractors, lost profits, lost savings, lost business, lost bonding capacity, lost financing, lost reputation or lost goodwill.

ARTICLE IV CONTRACT PRICE AND PAYMENT

4.1 Contract Price

4.1.1 This Contract is a LUMP SUM Contract. As compensation for satisfactory performance of the Work, the County shall compensate, and Contractor shall accept, as full and complete compensation for all the Work required herein a total Lump Sum price of **Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Three Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars and Twenty Cents ($976,387.20)**, the "Contract Price". The cost of any item of Work not covered by a specific Lump Sum shall be included in the Lump Sum price to which the item is most applicable.

4.1.2 If required by the County, Contractor shall have included unit prices in the base Lump Sum. Such unit prices shall apply to revisions to the Work as directed by the County in accordance with Article IX. Unit prices are "all-inclusive", including labor, material, supervision, tools, equipment, insurance, taxes, fringe benefits, coordination, engineering, overhead, profit, performance and payment bonds, and all other things necessary. Unit prices are fixed for the duration of the Contract and are not subject to escalation for any cause.

4.2 Schedule of Values

4.2.1 Prior to the commencement of Work, Contractor shall submit to the County and to the Project Manager a Schedule of Values allocating the Contract Price to the various portions of the Work. Contractor's Schedule of Values shall be prepared in such form, with such detail, and supported by such data as the Project Manager or the County may require to substantiate its accuracy. Contractor shall not imbalance the Schedule of Values nor artificially inflate any element thereof. The violation of this provision by Contractor shall constitute a material breach of this Contract.

4.2.2 Upon approval by the County the Schedule of Values shall be used as a basis for Contractor's Application for Payment. The total of all payments in the Schedule of Values must at all times be equal to the Contract Price. No progress payment shall be made to Contractor until an acceptable Schedule of Values is submitted.

4.2.3 General conditions costs may be considered as a line item for the following items (break down required) (collectively the following shall be known as the General Conditions Costs):

a) Contractor's field office personnel (full-time on-site)
b) Construction office and storage facilities
c) Utilities required to sustain field office and sanitary facilities
d) Electrical power and water for construction
e) Bonds and Insurance

4.2.4 Progress payments for general conditions costs will be based on the percentage of Work completed to date, except bonds and insurance which may be requested in full. Separate payments for Shop Drawings and deposits for materials will not be allowed.

4.3 Measurement and Payment

4.3.1 Contractor shall make all surveys necessary for determining all quantities of Work to be paid under this Contract. Copies of field notes, computations and other records made by Contractor for the purpose of determining quantities shall be furnished to the Project Manager upon request. Contractor shall notify the Project Manager prior to the time such surveys are made. The Project Manager may but shall have no obligation to witness and verify such surveys. Measurements and computations shall be made by such methods as the County may consider appropriate for the class of work measured. The dividing limits, lines or planes between adjacent items or classes of excavation, concrete, or other types of Work where not definitely indicated on the Drawings or in the Specifications shall be as determined by the County.

4.3.2 No payments of invoices (or portions thereof) shall, at any time, constitute approval or acceptance of the Work under this Contract, nor be a waiver by the County of any of the terms contained herein.

4.4 Progress Payments

4.4.1 Prior to Contractor's submittal of the initial Application for Payment, Contractor shall have delivered the following documents. The County will not make any payment to Contractor until Contractor has submitted the following requirements:

a) Schedule of Values
b) Project Schedule
c) Certified copy of recorded bond
d) Insurance Certificates

4.4.2 On or before the tenth (10th) day of each calendar month, Contractor shall submit an Application for Payment to the Project Manager in such form and manner, and with such supporting data and content, as the Project Manager may require. Such Application for Payment shall be based on the amount of Work done or completed during the payment period which is defined as the first day of the preceding calendar month through the last day of the preceding calendar month. The Project Manager will review the Application for Payment to determine whether the quantity and quality of the Work is as represented in the Application for Payment and thereafter confirm to the County the amount properly owing to Contractor. Upon receipt by the County of the Project Manager's recommendation for payment, payments will be made in accordance with the Local Government Prompt Payment Act (Sections 218.70-218.80 of the Florida Statutes) less such amounts, if any, otherwise owing by Contractor to the County or which the County shall have the right to withhold. Any Application for Payment determined by the County not to be suitable for payment shall be modified and processed in accordance with the County's assessment.

4.4.3 In the event any dispute with respect to any payment or Application for Payment cannot be resolved between Contractor and the County's Project staff, Contractor may demand in writing a meeting with and review by the County's Purchasing Director. Such meeting and review shall occur within ten (10) business days of receipt by the County of Contractor's written demand. The Purchasing Director shall issue a written decision on the dispute within ten (10) business days of such meeting. This decision shall be deemed the County's final decision for the purpose of the Local Government Prompt Payment Act.

4.4.4 The County may withhold from each progress payment made to Contractor an amount not to exceed five (5%) percent of payment as retainage until final acceptance of all Work in accordance with Section 255.078 of the Florida Statues. Any interest earned on retainage shall accrue to the benefit of the County. The County shall make prompt payment to Contractor, unless in accordance with Section 255.078(6) of the Florida Statutes, such funds are the subject of a good faith dispute, claim or demand by the County or Contractor.

4.4.5 Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to Work, materials, and equipment covered in any Application for Payment, whether incorporated in the Project or not, shall pass to the County no later than the time of payment and shall be free and clear of liens, claims, security interests or other encumbrances.

4.5 Application for Payment

4.5.1 Contractor may make Application for Payment, at intervals of not more than once a month for Work satisfactorily completed during the Project. Contractor shall submit with each Application for Payment an updated Project schedule acceptable to the Project Manager. Each Application for Payment shall clearly include:

a) Contract Number;
b) A unique Application for Payment number;
c) Contractor's legal name and address;
d) Taxpayer identification number (Contractor's federal employer identification number);
e) Brief description of the completed Work, in accordance with Contractor's Schedule of Values;
f) Original Contract Price including approved Change Order amounts; and,
g) Preferred remittance address, if different from the mailing address.

The County may require any other information from Contractor that the County deems necessary to verify Contractor's

Application for Payment. No later than ten (10) days after execution of this Contract or Notice to Proceed has been issued, the County will identify in a separate written notice the submittal requirements for Contractor's payment requests.

4.5.2 Delivered, stored or stockpiled materials may be included in an Application for Payment provided Contractor meets the following conditions:

a) Materials are suitably and securely stored at the Jobsite or a bonded warehouse (acceptable to the County);
b) An applicable purchase order or supplier's invoice is provided listing the materials in detail, cost of materials and identifying this specific Project by name; and
c) The material is insured against loss or damage (from whatever source) or disappearance prior to incorporation into the Work.

4.5.2.1 Payments for such materials shall be at the sole discretion of the Project Manager, shall be based only upon the actual cost of the materials to Contractor, and shall not include any overhead or profit to Contractor.

4.5.3 Each Application for Payment shall be signed by Contractor and shall constitute Contractor's representation that the Work has progressed to the level for which payment is requested, that the Work has been properly installed or performed in full accordance with this Contract, and that Contractor knows of no reason why payment should not be made as requested. Contractor's final Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a full and complete release and/or waiver of all liens complying with Section 713.20 of the Florida Statutes.

4.5.4 Contractor must remit undisputed payment due for labor, services, or materials furnished by Subcontractors and suppliers hired by Contractor, within ten (10) days after receipt of each progress payment from the County pursuant to Section 218.735 of the Florida Statutes. If necessary for the protection of the County, the County shall have the right, at its sole option, to make payment by joint check or by direct check to Contractor's Subcontractors or suppliers without advance notice to or consent of Contractor. If joint checks are issued following claims by Contractor's Subcontractors or suppliers, the County shall be entitled to an administrative fee of $50.00 per check for the expense of processing each joint check. Any amounts paid directly to a Subcontractor or supplier will be deducted from payments made to, or amounts due or that may become due to, Contractor. The issuance of a joint check shall create no rights in favor of any person or entity beyond the right of the named payees to payment of the check and shall not be deemed to commit the County to repeat the procedure in the future.

4.5.5 No progress payment, nor any use or occupancy of the Project by the County, shall be interpreted to constitute approval or acceptance of any Work under this Contract, nor be considered a waiver by Contractor of any of the terms of this Contract.

4.5.6 The County's performance and obligation to pay under this Contract is contingent upon an appropriation of lawfully available funds by the Board of County Commissioners. The County shall promptly notify Contractor if the necessary appropriation is not made.

4.6 Withheld Payment

4.6.1 The County may decline to make payment, may withhold funds otherwise payable and, if necessary, may demand the return of some or all of the amounts previously paid to Contractor, if:

a) Any Claims are made against Contractor by the County or third parties, including Claims for liquidated damages or if reasonable evidence indicates the probability of the making of any such Claim;
b) Any Claims are made against the County, the County's property or any other party indemnified hereunder which is or might be covered by Contractors Indemnification obligations under Section 12.2 below;
c) Contractor fails to pay Subcontractors or others in full and on-time;
d) Contractor fails to submit schedules, reports, or other information required under the Contract;
e) Contractor fails to diligently prosecute the Work and maintain progress to assure completion within the Contract Time;
f) Contractor persistently fails to fully and timely perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents;
g) Defective or nonconforming Work is not remedied; or
h) Contractor is in default of any other representation, warranty, covenant or performance obligation of this Contract.

4.6.2 If Claims or liens filed against Contractor or property of the County connected with performance under this Contract are not promptly removed by Contractor after receipt of written notice from the County to do so, the County may remove such Claims or liens and all costs in connection with such removal shall be deducted from withheld payments or other monies due, or which may become due, to Contractor. If the amount of such withheld payments or other monies due Contractor under the Contract is insufficient to meet such cost, or if any Claim or lien against Contractor is discharged by the County after final payment is made, Contractor and its surety or sureties shall promptly pay the County all costs (including attorney's fees) incurred thereby regardless of when such Claim or lien arose.

4.7 Final Payment

4.7.1 Upon Contractor's receipt of the Final Certificate for Payment, Contractor may submit a final invoice provided the following has been completed or submitted with such final invoice:

a) Complete all items applicable to the Work identified in Paragraph 3.3.2;
b) Complete all Work listed on the punch list prepared in accordance with Paragraph 3.3.4;
c) Consent of Surety for final payment and/or retainage;
d) Final Waiver and Release of Claim signed by Contractor;
e) Submittal of final corrected as-built (record) Drawings;
f) Settlement of Liquidated Damages, as applicable; and
g) Settlement of liens and Claims, if any.

4.7.2 Acceptance of Final Payment shall constitute a waiver of all Claims against the County by Contractor except for those Claims previously made in writing against the County by Contractor, pending at the time of Final Payment, and identified in writing by Contractor as unsettled at the time of its request for Final Payment.

4.7.3 In the event Contractor fails to make a Request for Final Payment, or to resubmit a final Application for Payment within ninety (90) days after being requested to do so, the County may deem any and all retained funds to be abandoned property and shall give notice of abandonment to Contractor. The County may set off against the final payment any amounts due to County from Contractor arising out of or under this or any other Contract or Contract between them.

ARTICLE V CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1 Performance

5.1.1 Contractor warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, there is no pending or threatened action, proceeding, or investigation, or any other legal or financial condition, that would in any way prohibit, restrain, or diminish Contractor's ability to satisfy its contractual obligations hereunder.

5.1.2 Contractor shall perform no part of the Work at any time without adequate Contract Documents or, as appropriate, approved Shop Drawings, Product Data or samples for such portion of the Work. If Contractor performs any portion of the Work where Contractor knows or should know such Work involves a recognized error, inconsistency or omission in the Contract Documents without notice to the Project Manager and the County, Contractor shall bear responsibility for such performance and shall bear the cost of correction.

5.1.3 Contractor shall perform the Work strictly in accordance with this Contract.

5.1.4 Contractor shall confine its operations to the Jobsite or such other land and areas identified in and permitted by the Contract Documents. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for any damage to any such land or area, to the County or occupant thereof, or of any adjacent land or areas, resulting from the performance of the Work. Should any Claim be made by any such owner or occupant because of the performance of the Work, Contractor shall promptly settle with such other party by negotiation or otherwise resolve the Claim by other dispute resolution proceeding or at law. Contractor shall, to the fullest extent permitted by Applicable Law, indemnify and hold harmless the County, and its officers, directors, agents and employees and anyone directly or indirectly employed by them from and against Claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or resulting from any Claim or action, legal or equitable, brought by any such owner or occupant against the County or any other party indemnified hereunder to the extent caused by or based upon Contractor's or a Subcontractor's performance of the Work.

5.1.5 Contractor is solely and exclusively responsible for supervising all workers at the Jobsite. Contractor shall supervise

and direct the Work using Contractor's best skill, effort and attention. Contractor shall be responsible to the County for any and all acts or omissions of Contractor, its employees and others engaged in the Work on behalf of Contractor.

5.1.6 Contractor and the Work must comply with all Applicable Law and the requirements of any applicable grant agreements.

5.2 Authorized Representative

5.2.1 Prior to commencing Work, Contractor shall designate in writing a competent, authorized representative(s) acceptable to the County to represent and act for Contractor ("Authorized Representative"). Absent such written designation, Contractor's Jobsite superintendent shall be deemed Contractor's Authorized Representative and s/he shall be authorized to receive and accept any and all communications from the County or the County's Project Manager. All communications given to the Authorized Representative shall be binding upon Contractor. An Authorized Representative may be added, removed or changed upon prior written notice given pursuant to Section 14.21 titled "Written Notice".

5.2.2 At all times while performing the Work and Warranty Work, Contractor shall have one or more Authorized Representatives present on the Jobsite. Such Authorized Representative shall be capable to effectively communicate with the County or the County's Project Manager, execute and enforce applicable Contract Documents and address Jobsite safety and environmental requirements.

5.3 Environmental, Safety and Health

5.3.1 Safety and Protection. Contractor shall be solely and exclusively responsible for conducting operations under this Contract to avoid risk of harm to the health and safety of persons and property and for inspecting, supervising and monitoring all equipment, materials (whether in storage on or off the Jobsite), work practices and safety precautions (including but not limited to adequate maintenance of traffic) used in the Work to ensure compliance with its obligations under this Contract. Contractor shall provide or cause to be provided necessary training and furnish all safety construction equipment/tools, including OSHA compliant and ANSI certified personal protective equipment as appropriate and necessary for the performance of the Work, to its subcontractors of every tier and enforce the use of such training and safety construction equipment/tools.

5.3.2 Compliance. Contractor shall comply with all Applicable Laws bearing on the safety of persons or property, or their protection from damage, injury or loss including compliance with applicable permits, Project plans and approvals. To the extent allowed by law, Contractor shall assume all responsibility and liability with respect to all matters regarding the safety and health of its employees and the employees of Contractor's subcontractors and suppliers of any tier, with respect to the Work.

5.3.3 Stop Work Authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the County reserves the right to direct Contractor to stop Work and correct an unsafe condition at any time that any person present at the Jobsite identifies any unsafe condition or action. For this purpose only, any person at the Jobsite is authorized to act on behalf of the County.

5.3.4 Safety Representative. Prior to commencing Work, Contractor shall designate in writing a member(s) of its Jobsite construction team as its Safety Representative. Such Safety Representative shall be acceptable to the County and shall have responsibility for implementing all safety procedures, including OSHA, responsibility for the prevention of accidents, authority for monitoring safety of the Work, authority to correct unsafe conditions or acts by its employees or Subcontractors, the ability to oversee compliance with and address environmental requirements, and coordinate with other on-site contractors and subcontractors on safety and environmental matters required for the Work. In the absence of the required written designation, this person shall be Contractor's Superintendent.

5.3.5 Safety Reporting Requirements. Contractor shall maintain accident and injury records as required by Applicable Law. Such records will be made available to the County upon request. Contractor shall immediately report to the County any death, injury or damage to property incurred or caused by Contractor's employees and employees of Contractor's subcontractors and suppliers of any tier.

5.3.6 Drug Free Workplace. By signing this Contract, Contractor agrees to maintain a healthy and productive workforce and safe working conditions thru compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act (Chapter 112, Florida State Statutes). Contractor's personnel shall not possess, use, manufacture, distribute or be under the influence of while on the Jobsite (or any other location where the provisions of this Contract applies) alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs or any other "Drug"

as such term is defined in the Drug-Free Workplace Act.

5.3.7 Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA). Contractor warrants that all materials, equipment, services, etc., delivered or provided to the County shall conform in all respects to the standards set forth in the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) of 1970 as amended and the failure to comply will be considered a breach of this Contract. Contractor further certifies that if material, equipment, service, etc., delivered or provided to the County is subsequently found to be deficient in any OSHA requirement in effect on date of delivery or service fulfillment date, all costs necessary to bring the material, equipment, service, etc., into compliance with the aforementioned requirements shall be borne by Contractor.

5.3.8 Toxic Substances/Federal Hazard Communication "Right to Know and Understand" Regulations
The Federal "Right to Know and Understand" Regulation (also known as the Hazard Communication / Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS) implemented by OSHA requires employers to inform their employees of any toxic substances to which they may be exposed in the workplace, and to provide training in safe chemical storage, labeling, handling practices and emergency procedures.

5.3.8.1 Accordingly, Contractor is required to provide completed Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for each hazardous substance provided to the County under this Contract. This includes hazardous substances that are not directly included in the Contract Documents, but are included in the goods or services provided by Contractor to the County. The SDS for each substance must be sent to the County's Project Manager and must also be sent to:

St. Johns County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida
500 San Sebastian View
St. Augustine, FL 32084
Attn: Risk Management

5.3.8.2 In the event that hazardous material is improperly handled or stored by Contractor, its subcontractors, any sub-subcontractors, or any employee or agent of any of the aforementioned which results in contamination of the Jobsite, Contractor shall immediately notify the County and the appropriate governmental authority and shall take whatever action is necessary or desirable to remediate the contamination at Contractor's sole cost and expense. Further, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from any and all cost, expense, action, or liability whatsoever resulting from such contamination and/or remedial activities. The indemnity provisions of this section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract.

ARTICLE VI PROJECT MANAGER

6.1 Project Manager Responsibilities

6.1.1 The County shall designate as its representative a Project Manager who shall be fully acquainted with the Project. The Project Manager shall be the County's representative from the Effective Date of this Contract until final payment has been made. The Project Manager shall be authorized to act on behalf of the County only to the extent provided in this Article VI.

6.1.2 The County and Contractor shall communicate with each other in the first instance through the Project Manager.

6.1.3 The Project Manager shall be the initial interpreter of the requirements of the Drawings and Specifications and the judge of the performance there under by Contractor. The Project Manager shall render written or graphic interpretations necessary for the proper execution or progress of the Work with reasonable promptness on request of Contractor.

6.1.4 The Project Manager shall review Contractor's Applications for Payment and shall confirm to the County for payment to Contractor, those amounts then due to Contractor as provided in this Contract.

6.1.5 The Project Manager shall have authority to reject Work, which is defective or does not conform to the requirements of this Contract. If the Project Manager deems it necessary or advisable, the Project Manager shall have authority to require additional inspection or testing of the Work for compliance with Contract requirements at Contractor's expense.

6.1.6 The Project Manager shall review and accept, or take other appropriate action as necessary, concerning Contractor's submittals including but not limited to Shop Drawings, Product Data and Samples. Such review, acceptance or other action

shall be for the sole purpose of determining conformance with the design concept and information given through the Contract Documents.

6.1.7 The Project Manager may authorize minor changes in the Work by field order as provided elsewhere herein. The Project Manager does not have authority to approve adjustments to the Contract Price or Contract Time. If at any time Contractor believes that acts or omissions of the County constitute a change to the Work, Contractor shall submit a written notice in accordance with the requirements of Article IX.

6.1.8 The Project Manager shall, upon written request from Contractor, conduct inspections to determine the date of Substantial Completion and the date of Final Completion, shall receive and forward to the County for the County's review and records, written warranties and related documents required by this Contract and shall issue a Final Certificate for Payment upon compliance with the requirements of this Contract.

6.1.9 The Project Manager's decision in matters relating to aesthetic effect shall be final if consistent with the intent of this Contract.

6.2 Field Orders

The Project Manager shall have authority to order minor changes in the Work not involving a change in the Contract Price or Contract Time and not inconsistent with the intent of this Contract. Such changes shall be affected by written field order and shall be binding upon Contractor. Contractor shall carry out such field orders promptly.

ARTICLE VII SUBCONTRACTORS

7.1 Award of Subcontracts

7.1.1 Contractor shall be responsible for all Work performed under the Contract Documents. All persons engaged in the Work of the Project are the responsibility and under the control of Contractor. Contractor shall furnish the Project Manager, in writing, the names of persons or entities proposed by Contractor to act as a Subcontractor on the Project. The Project Manager shall promptly reply to Contractor, in writing, stating any objections the Project Manager may have to such proposed Subcontractor. Contractor shall not enter into a Subcontract with a proposed Subcontractor with reference to whom the Project Manager has made a timely objection.

7.1.2 Contractor shall give personal attention to fulfillment of the Contract and shall keep the Work under Contractor's control. When any Subcontractor fails to execute a portion of the Work in a manner satisfactory to the County, Contractor shall remove such Subcontractor immediately upon written request from the County, and the Subcontractor shall not again be employed on the Project. The County will not entertain requests to arbitrate disputes among Subcontractors or between Contractor and Subcontractor(s) concerning responsibility for performing any part of the Work.

ARTICLE VIII CONTRACT DISPUTES/CLAIMS

8.1 Contract Claims

8.1.1 If any dispute between the County and Contractor arises under this Contract and such dispute cannot be resolved by good faith negotiations at the field level between the Project Managers of the Contractor and County, such dispute shall be promptly escalated to the Senior Representatives of the Parties, upon request of either party, who shall meet as soon as conveniently possible, but in no case later than fourteen (14) calendar days after such a request is made, to attempt to resolve such dispute or disagreement. Five (5) calendar days prior to any meetings between the Senior Representatives, the parties will exchange relevant information that will assist the parties in resolving the dispute or disagreement.

8.1.1.1 The Senior Representative for the County shall be the Director, or designee, of the County's Public Works Department.

8.1.1.2 The Senior Representative for the Contractor shall be the supervisor of the Project Manager, or a principal of the Contractor.

8.1.2 If after meeting, the Senior Representatives determine that the dispute or disagreement cannot be resolved on terms satisfactory to both parties, the Contractor s hall submit a Contract Claim as provided herein.

8.1.3 Prior to filing a Contract Claim, Contractor shall first exhaust all remedies set forth in the Contract Documents. Claims arising from this Contract shall be filed with the Purchasing Director within five (5) business days of exhausting all remedies set forth above. Pending final resolution of a dispute or claim, unless otherwise agreed in writing by both parties, the Contractor is required to proceed with performance of the Work and maintain effective progress to complete the Work within the Contract Time set forth herein. The Contract Claim shall include, at a minimum, the following:

a) The name and address of the Contractor and any legal counsel; and
b) The Contractor's address to which the County's rendered decisions shall be sent; and
c) Identification, and a copy, of the final adverse decision or document that is the subject of the Contract Claim and any exhibits, evidence or documents which the Contractor deems applicable to the issues raised in the Claim; and
d) Identification of the administrative remedies provided for in the Contract that were pursued prior to the Claim and the outcome; and
e) A statement of the grounds for each issue raised in the Contract Claim to be reviewed and the applicable provisions of the Contract, as well as any applicable Laws, or other legal authorities which the Contractor deems applicable to the Claim.

8.1.4 During the Purchasing Director's review of the Contract Claim, the Purchasing Director may request additional information from the project team of both parties. The parties must provide the requested information within the time period set forth in the request. Failure of either party to timely comply may result in resolution of the Claim without consideration of the requested information.

8.1.5 The Purchasing Director shall render a decision on the Contract Claim within twenty-one (21) calendar days of the deadline for receipt of all requested information. The written decision of the Purchasing Director shall be sent to the Contractor at the address provided in the Contract Claim, or as otherwise agreed to by the parties.

8.1.6 The decision for any Contract Claim by the Purchasing Director may be appealed by the Contractor to the County Administrator. Contractor must submit their appeal to the County Administrator, including any and all information, documentation, backup data, or other supplemental facts or figures within five (5) business days of receipt of the Purchasing Director's decision. Failure by the Contractor to submit an appeal within the prescribed timeframe shall be a waiver of a right to appeal the rendered decision. The appeal shall include any and all information, documentation, and data relative to the Contract Claim and subsequent appeal. The County Administrator shall render a decision within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt of all information. The County Administrator's decision shall be considered final, unless Contractor takes legal action in Circuit Court.

ARTICLE IX CHANGES IN THE WORK

9.1 General

9.1.1 The County may, at any time, without invalidating this Contract and without notice to sureties, direct changes in the Work within the general scope of this Contract, consisting of additions, deletions, revisions, or any combination thereof, by Change Order or by field order. Contractor agrees to promptly comply with such orders and proceed with the Work, which shall be performed under the applicable requirements of the Contract Documents. Contract Time and Contract Price will be adjusted, in accordance with Sections 9.2 and 9.3 below, by written Change Order for changes which materially increase or decrease the cost of or time for performance of the Work.

9.1.2 If at any time Contractor believes that acts or omissions of the County constitute a change to the Work, Contractor shall submit a written notice to the Project Manager explaining in detail the basis for the change request. Contractor's written notice must be furnished within five (5) days of the commencement of the event giving rise to the claim or Contractor's knowledge of the claim, and the notice shall state the general nature and cause of the claim. Thereafter, within twenty (20) days after the termination of the event giving rise to the claim or Contractor's knowledge of the claim, Contractor shall submit written notice of the extent of the claim with supporting information and documentation to the Project Manager and County. **IT IS EXPRESSLY AND SPECIFICALLY AGREED THAT ANY AND ALL CLAIMS FOR CHANGES TO THE CONTRACT TIME OR CONTRACT PRICE SHALL BE WAIVED IF NOT SUBMITTED IN STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.** Pending final resolution of any such claim request, Contractor shall diligently proceed with performance of this Contract regardless of any dispute concerning performance of the Work or the amount Contractor is to be paid for such Work.

9.2 Changes in the Contract Time

9.2.1 The Contract Time will be extended by Change Order in an amount equal to time lost on critical Work items due to delays beyond the control of and through no fault or negligence of Contractor if a claim for an extension is submitted in accordance with Section 9.1.2 above.

9.2.2 If Contractor is delayed in progressing any task which at the time of the delay is then critical or which during the delay becomes critical, as a direct result of unusually adverse weather conditions not reasonably anticipated, or any other causes beyond Contractor's reasonable control and not attributable to Contractor or Contractor's Subcontractor's actions or failure to act, then the date for achieving Substantial Completion of the Work may be extended for such reasonable time as the Project Manager may determine. An extension of Contract Time shall be Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy for delay unless the delay is solely caused by fraud, bad faith or active interference on the part of the County or its representatives. In no event shall Contractor be compensated for interim delays that do not extend the Contract Time.

9.2.3 Extensions to the Contract Time for delays caused by the effects of inclement weather shall be submitted as a request for a change in the Contract Time pursuant to paragraph 9.1.2 above. Time extensions are justified only when rain, other inclement weather conditions, or related adverse soil conditions result in Contractor's inability to work at least fifty percent (50%) of the normal workday on controlling items of Work identified on the accepted schedule or updates to that schedule.

9.2.4 Contractor shall, at no cost to the County, take all precautions necessary to secure the Project Jobsite from any damage that may be caused by all threatened storm events, regardless of whether the County has given notice of same. Compliance with any specific storm event precautions will not constitute additional work. Suspension of the Work caused by a threatened or actual storm event, regardless of whether the County has directed such suspension, will entitle Contractor to additional Contract Time only and shall not give rise to a claim for a change in the Contract Price.

9.3.2.5 Force Majeure Events

9.2.5.1 The Contractor shall not be held responsible for any delay or failure in performance of any part of this Contract to the extent such delay or failure is caused by a Force Majeure Event, as defined herein, so long as the Contractor's delay is not caused by the Contractor's own fault or negligence. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Contractor cannot claim Force Majeure for any emergency, exigency, or "act of God" that is already contemplated in the Work, or any other performance by the Contractor, that is contemplated in this Contract, or that in any way existed or was reasonably foreseeable or within the control of the Contractor at the time this Contract was executed.

9.2.5.2 In order to claim delay pursuant to this provision, Contractor must notify the County, in writing, within five (5) business days of the beginning of the Force Majeure Event, which Contractor claims caused the delay or failure by the Contractor to perform under this Contract.

9.2.5.3 If Contractor's delay or failure, caused by a Force Majeure Event, extends beyond a period of thirty (30) calendar days, from the beginning of the Force Majeure Event, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract, in accordance with the provisions of this Contract, and shall only be liable to the Contractor for any Work performed and validated (if required for payment hereunder) prior to the date of termination of this Contract.

9.2.5.4 If the Contractor's delay is confirmed by the County to be caused by a Force Majeure Event, the County may, upon written request of the Contractor, agree to equitably adjust the provisions of this Contract, including price, performance, and completion time, as may be affected by such delay. However, it is expressly understood by the Contractor that the County is not obligated to make any such adjustments to the provisions of this Contract, and shall do so only if it serves the best interest of the County. This provision shall not be interpreted to limit the County's right to terminate for convenience.

9.3 Changes in the Contract Price

9.3.1 In connection with any claim by Contractor against the County for compensation in excess of the Contract Price, any liability of the County for Contractor's costs shall be strictly limited to direct costs incurred by Contractor and shall in no event include indirect costs or consequential damages of Contractor.

9.3.2 Any change in the Contract Price resulting from a Change Order shall be determined as follows:

a) By mutual acceptance of a lump sum increase or decrease in costs. Upon the Project Manager's request,

Contractor shall furnish a detailed estimate of increased or decreased costs, together with cost breakdowns and other support data as the Project Manager may reasonably request.

b) By Unit Prices stated in the Contract Documents, or subsequently agreed upon payment.
c) By a manner or method mutually agreed by the County and Contractor.

9.3.3 If no mutual agreement occurs between the County and Contractor, then the change in the Contract Price, if any, shall than be determined by the Project Manager on the basis of the reasonable expenditures or savings of those performing, deleting or revising the Work attributable to the change, including, in the case of an increase or decrease in the Contract Price, a reasonable allowance for direct job site overhead and profit. In such case, Contractor shall present, in such form and with such content as the County or the Project Manager requires, an itemized accounting of such expenditures or savings shall be limited to the following: reasonable costs of materials, supplies, or equipment including delivery costs, reasonable costs of labor, including social security, unemployment insurance, fringe benefits required by a pre-existing Contract or by custom, and workers' compensation insurance, reasonable costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance, permit fees, and sales, use or other taxes paid by Contractor that are directly attributable to the changed Work. In no event shall any expenditure or savings associated with Contractor's home office or other non-Jobsite overhead expenses be included in any change in the Contract Price. Pending final determination of reasonable expenditures or savings to the County, payments shall be made to Contractor based on the Project Manager's recommendation for payment.

9.3.4 Costs which will not be allowed or paid in Change Orders or other claims under this Contract include, but are not limited to, the costs of preparing or reviewing change request/claims or proposed Change Orders, change request/claim consulting costs; lost revenues; lost profits; lost income or earnings; interest cost of any type other than those mandated by statute; rescheduling costs; lost earnings; loss of other business; or the costs of Contractor representatives visiting the Jobsite or participating in meetings with the County. The County shall not be liable to Contractor for claims of third parties, including Subcontractors, unless and until liability of Contractor has been established therefore in a court of competent jurisdiction.

9.3.5 In the event there is an unforeseeable increase to the cost of project materials during the course of this Contract, which exceeds twenty percent (20%), the Contractor must provide documentation demonstrating the original amount of the quoted materials, the updated quote for materials, and two (2) or more additional quotes from alternate sources for the materials demonstrating the Contractor is providing the best value to the County. The County will review the information provided in accordance with Article IX.

9.4 Acceptance of Change Orders

Contractor's written acceptance of a Change Order shall constitute a final and binding Contract to the provisions thereof and a waiver of all claims in connection therewith, whether direct, indirect, or consequential in nature.

9.5 Notice to Sureties

Contractor shall notify and obtain the timely consent and approval of Contractor's surety with reference to all Change Orders if such notice, consent or approval is required by Contractor's surety or by law. Contractor represents and warrants to County that Contractor is solely liable and responsible to so notify and obtain any such consent or approval. The Contractor is to provide certification from the surety that the amount of a change order has been incorporated into the bond to cover the additional scope of work and/or cost associated with the Change Order.

9.6 Differing Site Conditions

If during the course of the Work, Contractor encounters (1) subsurface or concealed conditions at the Project's Jobsite that differ materially from those shown in the Contract Documents and from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character called for in this Contract; or (2) unknown physical conditions of the Project's Jobsite, of an unusual nature, which differ materially from that ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character called for in this Contract, then Contractor, without disturbing the conditions and before performing any Work affected by such conditions, shall, within twenty-four (24) hours of their discovery, notify the Project Manager in writing of the existence of the aforesaid conditions. The Project Manager shall, within two (2) business days after receipt of Contractor's written notice, investigate the site conditions identified by Contractor. If, in the sole opinion of the Project Manager, the conditions do materially so differ and cause an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, the performance of any part of the Work, whether or not charged as a result of the conditions, the Project Manager may recommend an equitable adjustment to the Contract Price, or the Contract Time, or both. If Project Manager and Contractor cannot agree on an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Time, the adjustment shall be referred to

the Purchasing Director for determination in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 1.1.6. No request by Contractor for an equitable adjustment to this Contract under this provision shall be allowed unless Contractor has given written notice to the Project Manager in strict accordance with the provisions of this Article. **No request for an equitable adjustment or change to the Contract Price or Contract Time for differing site conditions shall be allowed if made after the date certified by the Project Manager as the date of Substantial Completion.**

The failure by Contractor to provide written notice as provided in this Paragraph 9.6 shall constitute a waiver by Contractor of any Claim arising out of or relating to such concealed or unknown condition.

ARTICLE X UNCOVERING WORK, STOPPING WORK, AND ACCEPTING DEFECTIVE OR NONCONFORMING WORK

10.1 Uncovering Work

10.1.1 No Work or portion of Work shall be covered until inspected by the County as required by the Contract Documents. If any of the Work is covered contrary to the request or direction of the County or the Project Manager or contrary to the requirements of the Contract Documents, Contractor shall, upon written request, uncover it for the Project Manager's inspection and subsequently cover the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents without adjustment to the Contract Time or Contract Price. The provisions and obligations set forth herein shall apply even if the County ultimately determines (after uncovering and inspection) that the underlying Work in question conforms to the requirements of the Contract Documents.

10.1.2 Should the County wish to either (i) re-inspect a portion of the Work that has been covered by Contractor in compliance with Paragraph 9.1.1, above, or (ii) inspect a portion of the Work that has been covered by Contractor which is not required by the Contract Documents to be observed or inspected prior to its being covered and which the County did not specifically request to observe prior to its being covered, Contractor shall uncover the applicable portion of the Work upon written request. If the County determines that the Work uncovered conforms to the requirements of the Contract Documents, then the County will pay the costs of uncovering and replacement of the cover through a Change Order and will adjust the Contract Time by Change Order if the uncovering and replacement Work extends the most current Substantial Completion or Final Completion date, as applicable. If, however, the County determines that the Work uncovered does not conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents, then Contractor shall pay the costs of uncovering and replacement and shall not be entitled to an adjustment of the Contract Price.

10.2 Right to Stop Work

If the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers, suitable materials, or equipment or fails to furnish or perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, the County, acting through the Project Manager, may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated. The County's right to stop Work, or any portion thereof, shall not give rise to any duty on the part of the County to exercise this right for the benefit of Contractor or any other party.

10.3 County May Accept Defective or Nonconforming Work

If the County chooses to accept defective or nonconforming Work, the County may do so. In such events, the Contract Price shall be reduced by the greater of (a) the reasonable cost of removing and correcting the defective or nonconforming Work, and (b) the difference between the fair market value of the Work had it not been constructed in such manner as to include defective or nonconforming Work. If the remaining portion of the unpaid Contract Price, if any, is insufficient to compensate the County for its acceptance of defective or nonconforming Work, Contractor shall, pay the County such remaining compensation for accepting defective or nonconforming Work.

ARTICLE XI CONTRACT SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION

11.1 Suspension

The County may, by written notice, order Contractor to suspend, delay or interrupt Work, in whole or in part, for a period of time as the County may determine. If such suspension delays Contractor's ability to meet the authorized Contract Time, Contractor will be granted an extension of time as reasonably agreed by both parties. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment to the Contract Time to the extent that performance is, was or would have been so suspended, delayed or interrupted by another cause, act or omission for which Contractor is responsible. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Contract and, in the event any such suspension exceeds ninety (90) days, Contractor may, upon ten (10) days written

notice to the County, terminate performance under this Contract and recover from the County an equitable adjustment in accordance with Section 9.3 above.

11.2 Termination

11.2.1 The County may by written notice to Contractor terminate the Work under this Contract in whole or in part at any time for the County's convenience or for the default of Contractor.

11.2.2 The County may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, for its convenience upon thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the Contractor. If the termination is for the convenience of the County, an equitable adjustment in the compensation to be paid to the Contractor may be made based upon the cost for completed Work, Work in progress, and the substantiated, reasonable and actually incurred costs associated with termination, including demobilization costs and amounts due in settlement of terminated contracts with Subcontractors. No amount shall be allowed for anticipated profit or unperformed work.

11.2.3 Contractor may terminate this Contract, for any reason up to sixty (60) calendar days written notice, provided that any outstanding Work is completed by Contractor, or Contractor's Subcontractors. Contractor further agrees to cooperate fully and assist the County, upon request, in order to complete any Work under this Project. In such event, the County shall compensate the Contractor as mutually agreed in writing for any such Work after termination.

11.2.4 The County may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, for cause (or "default"). In the event of Contractor's default, the County shall issue a Notice of Default to the Contractor, articulating the items which the County finds to be in default of the requirements of this Agreement. Contractor shall have ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the Notice of Default to remedy deficiencies or submit, in writing, an acceptable plan for remedying the deficiencies identified in said notice. If Contractor fails to remedy such deficiencies, or to submit an acceptable plan for remedying such deficiencies, to the satisfaction of the County within the stated time period, the County shall issue a Notice of Termination, and take over and prosecute the Work to completion. In such case, Contractor shall be liable to the County for all reasonable additional costs incurred by the County in completion of the Work.

11.2.5 Upon receipt of such termination notice Contractor shall immediately stop all Work and shall immediately cause any and all of its Subcontractors and material suppliers at any tier, to immediately stop all work, leaving the construction Site in a safe and secured condition. Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred after the termination date that reasonably could have been avoided. The County may direct Contractor to assign Contractor's right, title and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to its designee.

11.2.6 Contractor shall not remove from the construction Jobsite any materials, equipment, plant or tools that have been paid for by County pursuant to this Contract. Contractor hereby grants the County a free and unimpeded right of access to Contractor's facilities, which shall survive any termination of the Contract, for the purpose of permitting the County to take control of and remove any Work, including but not limited to any Work for which title has vested in the County.

11.2.7 For purposes of this Termination provision, Contractor shall be deemed in default if Contractor (1) persistently or repeatedly refuses or fails to perform the Work in a timely manner, (2) fails to supply enough properly skilled Workers, supervisory personnel or proper equipment or materials, (3) fails to make prompt payment to Subcontractors, or for materials or labor, (4) becomes insolvent or becomes the subject of voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy proceedings, (5) persistently disregards laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction, or (6) breaches or violates a material provision of this Contract. If the termination is attributable to the default of Contractor, the County shall have the right, without prejudice to any other right or remedy, to take possession of the construction Jobsite and of all materials, equipment, tools, construction equipment and machinery thereon owned by Contractor and may finish the Work by whatever methods it may deem expedient. In such case, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is finished.

11.2.8 If the unpaid balance of the Contract Price less any liquidated damages due under this Contract, exceeds the cost of finishing the Work, including compensation for the Project Manager's additional services and expenses made necessary thereby, Contractor shall pay the difference to the County. This obligation for payment shall survive the termination of the Contract.

11.2.9 If, after termination by the County for Contractor's default, it is determined by a Court of competent jurisdiction

that Contractor was not in default, or that the delay was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties, including adjustment of the Contract Price, will be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the County, as provided under Paragraph 11.2.4 above.

ARTICLE XII WARRANTY AND INDEMNITY

12.1 Warranty

12.1.1 Contractor warrants and guarantees to the County that all labor furnished to progress the Work under this Contract shall be competent to perform the tasks undertaken and that the product of such labor shall yield only first-class results and that all materials and equipment furnished under this Contract shall be of good quality, free from faults and defects and in strict conformance with the Contract Documents.

12.1.2 Contractor warrants all materials, equipment and labor it furnishes or performs under this Contract against all defects in design, materials and workmanship for a period of one year (or the period of time in any guarantee or warranty provided by any manufacturer or supplier of equipment or materials incorporated into the Work, whichever is later) from and after the date of Final Completion. Contractor shall within ten (10) Days after being notified in writing by the County of any defect in the Work or non-conformance of the Work (Warranty Work), commence and prosecute with due diligence all Work necessary to fulfill the terms of the warranty at its sole cost and expense. Contractor shall act sooner as requested by the County in response to an emergency. In addition, Contractor shall, at its sole cost and expense, repair and replace any portions of the Work (or work of other contractors) damaged by its Warranty Work or which becomes damaged in the course of repairing or replacing Warranty Work. For any Work so corrected, Contractor's obligation hereunder to correct Warranty Work shall be reinstated for an additional one-year period, commencing with the date of acceptance of such corrected Work.

12.1.3 Contractor shall perform such tests as the County may require to verify that any corrective actions, including, without limitation, redesign, repairs, and replacements comply with the requirements of the Contract Documents. All costs associated with such corrective actions and testing, including the removal, replacement, and reinstitution of equipment and materials necessary to gain access, shall be the sole responsibility of Contractor.

12.1.4 All warranties and guarantees of subcontractors, suppliers and manufacturers with respect to any portion of the Work, whether express or implied, are deemed to be obtained by Contractor for the benefit of the County, regardless of whether or not such warranties and guarantees have been transferred or assigned to the County by separate Contract and Contractor agrees to enforce such warranties and guarantees, if necessary, on behalf of the County.

12.1.5 In the event that Contractor fails to perform its obligations under this Warranty Section, or under any other warranty or guaranty under this Contract, to the reasonable satisfaction of the County, the County shall have the right to correct and replace any defective or non-conforming Work and any work damaged by such work or the replacement or correction thereof at Contractor's sole expense. Contractor shall be obligated to fully reimburse the County for any expenses incurred hereunder upon demand.

12.1.6 Failure on the part of the County to reject defective, non-conforming or unauthorized Work shall not release Contractor from its contractual obligations, be construed to mean acceptance of such Work or material by the County, or, after Final Completion, bar the County from recovering damages or obtaining such other remedies as may be permitted by law.

12.1.7 No adjustment in the Contract Time or Contract Price will be allowed because of delays in the performance of the Work as a result of correcting defective, non-conforming or unauthorized Work.

12.1.8 County and Contractor agree that the provisions of Florida Statute Chapter 558 shall not apply to this Contract.

12.2 Indemnity

12.2.1 Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County and its officers and employees ("Indemnified Party"), from liabilities, damages, losses and costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of Contractor and persons employed or utilized by Contractor in the performance of this Contract.

12.2.2 To the extent permitted by, and in accordance with Section 725.06 of the Florida Statues, Contractor further agrees that "damages, losses and costs", includes fines, citations, court judgments, insurance claims, restoration costs or other liability, to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of Contractor and persons employed or utilized by Contractor in the performance of this Contract.

12.2.3 To the extent permitted by, and in accordance with Section 725.06 of the Florida Statues, for purposes of indemnity, the "persons employed or utilized by Contractor" shall be construed to include, but not be limited to, Contractor, its staff, employees, subcontractors, all deliverers, suppliers, furnishers of materials or services or anyone acting for, on behalf of, or at the request of Contractor.

12.2.4 In Claims against any person or entity indemnified hereunder by an employee of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, the indemnification obligation under this Section 11.2 shall not be limited by a limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for Contractor or any Subcontractor or subcontractor under any workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts or other employee benefit acts.

12.2.5 Contractor's indemnity and hold harmless obligations hereunder shall extend to all Claims against the County by any third party or third-party beneficiary of this Contract and all liabilities, damages, losses and costs related thereto.

12.2.6 This indemnification will not be valid in the instance where the loss is caused by the gross negligence, or willful, wanton or intentional misconduct of any Indemnified Party.

12.2.7 If any provision(s), or portion(s) of a provision(s) of this Section, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, to any extent, be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provision(s), or part of the provision(s), shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby; and shall be interpreted to the fullest extent possible to be enforceable and to give effect to the intent manifested by the provision(s), or portion(s) thereof, held invalid, illegal or unenforceable.

12.2.8 Contractor shall further indemnify and hold harmless the County its officers and employees from and against all Claims arising out of any infringement of patent rights or copyrights incident to the use in the performance of the Work or resulting from the incorporation in the Work of any invention, design, process, product, or device not specified in the Contract Documents and shall defend such Claims in connection with any alleged infringement of such rights.

12.2.9 The indemnification provisions of this Section 12.2 shall survive expiration or earlier termination of this Contract.

ARTICLE XIII INSURANCE AND BONDS

13.1 Contractor's Insurance Requirements

13.1.1 All insurance policies shall be satisfactory to the County and be issued by companies authorized and duly licensed to transact business in the State of Florida. Contractor shall furnish proof of insurance to the County prior to execution of this Contract. No Work shall commence under this Contract until Contractor has obtained all insurance coverages required under this section. Certificates of insurance shall clearly indicate Contractor has obtained insurance of the type, amount, and classification as required by this Contract. Required insurance coverage shall be maintained in force, including coverage for Additional Insureds, until Final Completion of all Work including Warranty Work.

13.1.2 No less than ten (10) days written notice shall be provided to the County prior to cancellation, non-renewal or any material change of required insurance policies. Yearly renewal certificates shall be provided to the County within thirty (30) days of expiration of the current policy.

13.1.3 The types and amounts of insurance required under this Contract do not in any way limit the liability of Contractor including under any warranty or indemnity provision of this Contract or any other obligation whatsoever Contractor may have to the County or others. Nothing in this Contract limits Contractor to the minimum required insurance coverages found in this Article XIII.

13.2 Additional Insured Endorsements and Certificate Holder

The term "Additional Insured", as used in this Contract, shall mean St. John's County, its elected officials, officers,

employees, agents and representatives. Certificates of insurance shall specifically name each Additional Insured for all policies of insurance except Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability. A copy of the endorsement showing the required coverages must accompany the certificate of insurance.

Certificate Holder Address: St. Johns County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida
4040 Lewis Speedway
St. Augustine, FL 32084
Attn: Purchasing Department

13.3 Workers Compensation

Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Contract, adequate Workers' Compensation Insurance in at least such amounts as is required by law for all of its employees per Florida Statute 440.02.

13.4 Commercial General Liability

Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Contract, Commercial General Liability Insurance with minimum limits of $1,000,000 per occurrence, $2,000,000 aggregate, including bodily injury (including wrongful death), property damage, products, personal & advertising injury, and completed operations. This insurance must provide coverage for all Claims that may arise from the services and/or operations completed under this Contract, whether such services or operations are by Contractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them. Such insurance(s) shall also be primary and non-contributory with regard to insurance carried by the Additional Insureds.

13.5 Commercial Automobile Liability

Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this Contract, Commercial Automobile Liability Insurance with minimum limits of $2,000,000 combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage liability and insuring liability arising out of or in any way related directly or indirectly to the ownership, maintenance or use of any owned, non-owned or rented/hired automobiles.

13.6 Additional Coverages

ONLY THE SUBSECTIONS CORRESPONDING TO ANY CHECKED BOX IN THIS PARAGRAPH 13.6 WILL APPLY TO THIS CONTRACT.

13.6.1 ☐ Professional Liability.

13.6.1.1 Contractor shall procure and maintain, during the life of this Contract, Professional Liability or Errors and Omissions Insurance with minimum limits of $1,000,000 with 10-year tail coverage starting upon Final Completion. Contractor's professional liability policy should not have an exclusion for environmental compliance management or construction management professionals.

13.6.1.2 In the event that Contractor employs professional engineering or land surveyor services for performing field engineering or preparing design calculations, plans, and specifications, Contractor shall require the retained engineers and land surveyors to carry professional liability insurance with limits not less than $1,000,000 each claim with respect to negligent acts, errors, or omissions in connection with professional services to be provided under this Contract.

13.6.2 ☐ Builders Risk.

13.6.2.1 Contractor shall procure and maintain Builder's Risk ("all risk") insurance on a replacement cost basis. The amount of coverage shall be equal to the full replacement cost on a completed value basis, including periodic increases or decreases in values through change orders.

13.6.2.2 The Builder's Risk policy shall identify the County as the sole loss payee. The policy shall name as insured the County, Contractor and its subcontractors of every tier. Each insured shall waive all rights of subrogation against each of the other insured to the extent that the loss is covered by the Builder's Risk Insurance. The Builder's Risk policy shall be primary and any self-insurance maintained by the County in not contributory. The Builder's Risk policy shall not include a co-insurance clause. This coverage shall not be lapsed or cancelled because of partial occupancy by the County prior to Final Completion of the Work.

13.6.2.3 The Builder's Risk insurance shall:

a. insure against at least the following perils or causes of loss: fire; lightning; windstorm; riot; civil commotion; terrorism; vehicle impact; aircraft; smoke; theft; vandalism and malicious mischief; mechanical breakdown, boiler explosion, and artificially generated electric current; earthquake; volcanic activity, and other earth movement; flood; collapse; explosion; debris removal including demolition as may be reasonably necessary; and water damage (other than that caused by flood).

b. cover, as insured property, at least the following: (i) the Work and all appurtenances, materials, supplies, fixtures, machinery, apparatus, equipment and other property of a similar nature that are to be incorporated into or used in the preparation, fabrication, construction, erection, or completion of the Work including County furnished or assigned property; (ii) spare parts inventory required within the scope of the Contract; and (iii) temporary works which are not intended to form part of the permanent constructed Work but which are intended to provide working access to the Jobsite, or to the Work under construction, or which are intended to provide temporary support for the Work under construction, including scaffolding, form work, fences, shoring, falsework, and temporary structures.

c. extend to cover damage or loss to insured property (i) while in transit; and (ii) while in temporary storage at the Jobsite or in a storage location outside the Jobsite (but not including property stored at the premises of a manufacturer or supplier).

d. include (i) performance/start-up and hot testing; (ii) soft costs (e.g. design and engineering fees, code updates, permits, bonds, insurances, and inspection costs); and (iii) costs of funding or financing when a covered risk causes delay in completing the Work.

13.6.4 The Builder's Risk Insurance may have a deductible clause. Contractor shall be responsible for paying any and all deductible costs. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth above, the deductible for coverage of all perils and causes of loss enumerated in subparagraph 13.6.2.3 above shall not exceed $250,000.

13.7 Other Requirements

13.7.1 The required insurance limits identified in Sections 13.4, 13.5, and 13.6 above may be satisfied by a combination of a primary policy and/or Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance policy. Contractor shall require each lower-tier subcontractor to comply with all insurance requirements appropriate for its scope of work, and any deficiency shall not relieve Contractor of its responsibility herein. Upon written request, Contractor shall provide County with copies of lower-tier subcontractor certificates of insurance.

13.7.2 Providing and maintaining adequate insurance coverage is a material obligation of Contractor. County has no obligation or duty to advise Contractor of any non-compliance with the insurance requirements contained in this Section. If Contractor fails to obtain and maintain all of the insurance coverages required herein, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Additional Insureds from and against any and all Claims that would have been covered by such insurance had Contractor complied with its obligations herein.

13.7.3 County reserves the right to adjust the above minimum insurance requirements or require additional insurance coverages to address other insurable hazards.

13.8 Payment and Performance Bonds

Contractor shall execute, furnish the County with, and record in the public records of St. John's County, a Payment and Performance Bond in accordance with the provisions of Sections 255.05 and 287.0935 Florida Statutes, in an amount no less than the Contract Price. Such Payment and Performance Bond shall be conditioned upon the successful completion of all work, labor, services, equipment and materials to be provided and furnished hereunder, and the payment of all subcontractors, materialmen, and laborers. Said bond shall be subject to the approval of the Board of County Commissioners of St. John's County, Florida. In accordance with Section 255.05, F.S., the County may not make a payment to Contractor until Contractor has provided the County a certified copy of the recorded bond.

ARTICLE XIV MISCELLANEOUS

14.1 Independent Contractor

Contractor represents that it is fully experienced and properly qualified, licensed, equipped, organized, and financed to perform the Work under this Contract. Contractor shall act as an independent contractor and not as an agent in performing this Contract and shall maintain complete control over its employees and all of its Subcontractors and suppliers of any tier. Nothing contained in this Contract or any lower-tier subcontract or purchase order awarded by Contractor shall create any contractual relationship between any such subcontractor or supplier and the County. Contractor shall perform all Work in accordance with the requirements of this Contract and in accordance with its own methods subject to compliance with this Contract.

14.2 Examination of Contractor's Records

The County or its authorized representative shall have access to, and the right to examine any directly pertinent books, documents, papers and records of Contractor involving transactions relating to this Contract, and to make copies, excerpts and transcriptions thereof for a period of five (5) years after final payment under this Contract, or the timeframe by which the County is subject to audit or examination of records from a granting agency, if applicable, whichever is longer. If any such examination reveals that Contractor has overstated any component of the Contract Price, Change Order, Claim, or any other County payment obligation arising out of this Contract, then Contractor shall, at the election of the County, either immediately reimburse to the County or offset against payments otherwise due Contractor, the overstated amount plus interest. The foregoing remedy shall be in addition to any other rights or remedies the County may have.

14.3 Backcharges

14.3.1 Upon the County's notification to undertake or complete unperformed Work such as cleanup or to correct defective or non-conforming services, equipment, or material (Backcharge Work), if Contractor states or by its actions indicates it is unable or is unwilling to immediately proceed and/or complete the Backcharge Work in an agreed time; the County may perform such Backcharge Work by the most expeditious means available and backcharge Contractor for any and all costs thereby incurred by the County.

14.3.2 The County shall separately invoice or deduct and retain from payments otherwise due to Contractor the costs for Backcharge Work. The County's right to backcharge is in addition to any and all other rights and remedies provided in this Contract or by law. The County's performance of the Backcharge Work shall not relieve Contractor of any of its responsibilities under this Contract and Contractor shall be responsible for the Backcharge Work as if it were its own.

14.4 Applicable Laws

Contractor and the Work must comply with all Applicable Laws and the requirements of any applicable grant agreements.

14.5 Governing Law & Venue

The Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Florida. Venue for any administrative and/or legal action arising under the Contract shall be St. Johns County, Florida.

14.6 Assignment

Contractor shall not sell, assign or transfer any of its rights, duties or obligations under the Contract, or under any Change Order issued pursuant to the Contract or make an assignment or transfer of any amounts payable to Contractor under the Contract, without the prior written consent of the County. In the event of any assignment, Contractor remains secondarily liable for performance of the Contract, unless the County expressly waives such secondary liability. The County may assign the Contract with prior written notice to Contractor of its intent to do so. This Contract may be assumed by and shall inure to the benefit of the County's successors and assigns without the consent of Contractor.

14.7 Severability

If a court deems any provision of the Contract void, invalid or unenforceable, that provision shall be enforced only to the extent that it is not in violation of law or is not otherwise unenforceable and all other provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

14.8 Section Headings

The section and other headings contained in this Contract are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.

14.9 Disclaimer of Third-Party Beneficiaries

This Contract is solely for the benefit of County and Contractor and no right or cause of action shall accrue to or for the benefit of any third party not a formal party hereto. Nothing in this Contract, expressed or implied, is intended or shall be construed to confer upon or give any person or entity other than County and Contractor, any right, remedy, or Claim under or by reason of this Contract or any provisions or conditions hereof; and all of the provisions, representations, covenants and conditions herein contained shall inure to the sole benefit of and shall be binding upon County and Contractor.

14.10 Waiver; Course of Dealing

The delay or failure by the County to exercise or enforce any of its rights or remedies under this Contract shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the County's right thereafter to enforce those rights or remedies, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or remedy. The conduct of the parties to this Contract after the Effective Date shall not be deemed a waiver or modification of this Contract.

14.11 No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity

Nothing herein is intended to serve as a waiver of sovereign immunity by any agency or political subdivision to which sovereign immunity may be applicable or of any rights or limits to liability existing under Section 768.28, Florida Statutes. This section shall survive the termination of all performance and obligations under this Contract and shall be fully binding until such time as any proceeding brought on account of this Contract is barred by any applicable statute of limitations.

14.12 Execution in Counterparts

This Contract may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original document, and all of which together shall constitute a single instrument. The parties may deliver executed counterparts by e-mail transmission, which shall be binding. In the event this Contract is executed through a County-approved electronic signature or online digital signature service (such as DocuSign), such execution shall be valid, effective and binding upon the party so executing. Execution and delivery of an executed counterpart of this Contract and/or a signature page of this Contract by electronic image scan transmission (such as a "pdf" file) or through a County approved electronic signature service will be valid and effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Contract.

14.13 Entire Contract

This Contract for the Work, comprised of the Contract Documents enumerated herein, constitutes the entire Contract between the Parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous Contracts, negotiations, discussions and understandings, oral or written. This Contract may not be amended or modified except in writing, as provided herein and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

14.14 Survival

The provisions of the Contract Documents which by their nature survive termination of the Contract, including without limitation all warranties, indemnities, insurance, payment obligations, and the County's right to audit Contractor's books and records, shall in all cases survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Contract.

14.15 Employment Eligibility and Mandatory Use of E-Verify

As a condition precedent to entering into this Contract, and in accordance with section 448.095, F.S., Contractor and its subcontractors shall register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all employees hired on or after July 1, 2023.

a. Contractor shall require each of its subcontractors to provide Contractor with an affidavit stating that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of this Contract.

b. The County, Contractor, or any subcontractor who has a good faith belief that a person or entity with which it is contracting has knowingly violated section 448.09(1), F.S. or these provisions regarding employment eligibility shall terminate the contract with the person or entity.

c. The County, upon good faith belief that a subcontractor knowingly violated these provisions regarding employment eligibility, but Contractor otherwise complied, shall promptly notify Contractor and Contractor shall immediately terminate the contract with the subcontractor.

d. The Contractor acknowledges that, in the event that the County terminates this Contract for Contractor's breach of these provisions regarding employment eligibility, then Contractor may not be awarded a public contract for at least one (1) year after such termination. Contractor further acknowledges that Contractor is liable for any additional costs incurred by the County as a result of the County's termination of this Contract for breach of these provisions regarding employment eligibility.

14.16 Equal Employment Opportunity

During the performance of this Contract, Contractor agrees as follows:

14.16.1 Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, disability, age, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity/expression), national origin (including limited English proficiency), marital status, or familial status. Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants and employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, disability, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, genetic information or political affiliation. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertisement, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship. Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this non-discrimination clause.

14.16.2 Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed for, by, or on behalf of Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, disability, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, familial status, or genetic information.

14.16.3 Contractor 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 Contractor's legal duty to furnish information.

14.16.4 Contractor will send to each labor union or representatives of workers with which it has a collective bargaining Contract or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the County, advising the labor union or workers' representative of Contractor's commitments and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

14.16.5 Contractor will comply with all provisions of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

14.16.6 Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by the rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to its books, records, and accounts by the County and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

14.16.7 In the event of Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this Contract or with any of such rules, regulations, or orders, this Contract may be cancelled, terminated or suspended in whole or in part and Contractor may be declared ineligible for further contracts in accordance with procedures, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

14.16.8 Contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs 14.16.1 through 14.16.7 in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontractor or vendor as may be directed to the Secretary of Labor as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, that in the event Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction, Contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interest of the United States.

14.17 Public Records

14.17.1 Contractor shall comply and shall require all of its Subcontractors to comply with the State of Florida's Public Records Statute (Chapter 119), specifically to:

(1) Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the County in order to perform the Services;

(2) Upon request from the County's custodian of public records, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost as provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by Applicable Law;

(3) Ensure that public records related to this Contract that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by Applicable Law for the duration of this Contract and following expiration of this Contract, or earlier termination thereof, if Contractor does not transfer the records to the County; and

(4) Upon completion of this Contract, or earlier termination thereof, transfer, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of Contractor or keep and maintain for inspection and copying all public records required by the County to perform the Work.

14.17.2 If Contractor, upon expiration of this Contract or earlier termination thereof i) transfers all public records to the County, Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements; and ii) keeps and maintains public records, Contractor shall meet all Applicable Law and requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon request from the County's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the County's information technology systems.

14.17.3 Failure by Contractor to comply with the requirements of this section shall be grounds for immediate, unilateral termination of this Contract by the County.

IF CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO ITS DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT: (904) 209-0805, PUBLICRECORDS@SJCFL.US, 500 SAN SEBASTIAN VIEW, ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA 32084

14.18 Anti-Bribery

Contractor and its Subcontractors shall at all times during the term of this Contract comply with all anti-bribery and corruption laws that are applicable to the performance of this Contract. Contractor represents that it has not, directly or indirectly, taken any action which would cause it to be in violation of Chapter 838 of the Florida Statutes. Contractor shall immediately notify the County of any violation (or alleged violation) of this provision.

14.19 Convicted and Discriminatory Vendor Lists, and Scrutinized Companies

14.19.1 Contractor warrants that neither it nor any Subcontractor is currently on the convicted vendor list or the discriminatory vendor list maintained pursuant to Sections 287.133 and 287.134 of the Florida Statutes, or on any similar list maintained by any other state or the federal government. Contractor shall immediately notify the County in writing if its ability to perform is compromised in any manner during the term of the Contract.

14.19.2 Section 287.135 of the Florida Statutes prohibits agencies from contracting with companies for goods or services that are on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, or with companies that are engaged in a boycott of Israel, and from contracting with companies for goods or services of $1,000,000 or more that are on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or are engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. The lists are created pursuant to §215.473 and §215.4725, F.S. By execution of this Contract, Contractor certifies that it is not listed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List,

the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, and is not engaged in a boycott of Israel or engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, and understands that pursuant to §287.135, F.S., the submission of a false certification may subject Contractor to civil penalties, attorney's fees, and/or costs. In accordance with §287.135, F.S., the County may terminate this Contract if a false certification has been made, or the Contractor is subsequently placed on any of these lists, or engages in a boycott of Israel or is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.

14.20 Compliance with Florida Statute 287.138

14.20.1 Pursuant to 287.138 F.S., effective July 1, 2023, the County may not enter into contracts which grants the Contractor access to personal identifiable information if: 1) the Contractor is owned by the government of a Foreign Country of Concern (as defined by the statute: (b) the government of a Foreign Country of Concern has a controlling interest in the entity; or (c) the Contractor is organized under the law of or has its principal place of business in a Foreign Country of Concern. The County shall be entitled to immediately terminate this Agreement with liability to ensure the County's continued compliance with the statute.

14.20.2 Pursuant to 287.138 F.S., effective January 1, 2024, if Contractor may access, receive, transmit, or maintain personal identifiable information under this Agreement, Contractor must submit a Foreign Entity Affidavit to the County. Additionally, effective July 1, 2025, Contractor shall submit a Foreign Entity Affidavit to the County prior to any renewals of this Agreement. Failure or refusal to submit a Foreign Entity Affidavit shall be cause for immediate termination of this Agreement by the County.

14.21 Written Notice

Any and all notices, requests, consents, approvals, demands, determinations, instructions, and other forms of written communication under this Contract shall be validly given when delivered as follows:

i. Hand delivered to Contractor's Authorized Representative or hand delivered during normal business hours and addressed as shown below, or

ii. Delivered by U.S. Mail, electronic mail or commercial express carrier, (postage prepaid, delivery receipt requested), to the following addresses:

St. Johns County
4040 Lewis Speedway
St. Augustine, FL 32084
Attn: Leigh Daniels
Email Address: ldaniels@sjcfl.us

Cornerstone Construction Services, Inc.
Address: 4205 Edgewater Dr
Orlando, FL 32804
Attn: Jason Gonder
Email Address: Jgonder@ccsorlando.com

With a copy to:

St. Johns County
ATTN: Office of the County Attorney
500 San Sebastian View
St. Augustine, FL 32084
Email Address: BCCAttorney@sjcfl.us

Notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of delivery to the location listed above without regard to actual receipt by the named addressee. County and Contractor may each change the above addresses at any time upon prior written notice to the other party.

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The authorized representatives hereto have executed this Contract effective as of the Effective Date. Contractor's authorized representative executing this Contract represents that he or she is duly authorized to execute this Contract on behalf of Contractor.

County:

St. Johns County (Seal)
(Typed Name)

By: _____
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

_____
(Printed Name)

_____
(Title)

_____
(Date of Execution)

Contractor:

Cornerstone Construction Services, Inc. (Seal)
(Typed Name)

By: _____
(Signature of Authorized Representative)

_____
(Printed Name)

_____
(Title)

_____
(Date of Execution)

Legally Sufficient:

_____
(Office of County Attorney)

_____
(Date of Execution)

FORM 1

CERTIFICATION OF PAYMENTS TO SUBCONTRACTORS

Contract No.	
Project Title:	

The undersigned Contractor hereby swears under penalty of perjury that:

1. Contractor has paid all Subcontractors all undisputed contract obligations for labor, services, or materials provided on this Project within the time period set forth in Sections 218.73 and 218.735, Florida Statutes, as applicable.

2. The following Subcontractors have not been paid because of disputed contractual obligations; a copy of the notification sent to each, explaining the good cause why payment has not been made, is attached to this form:

Subcontractor Name and Address	Date of Disputed Invoice	Amount in Dispute

Contractor's Authorized Representative executing this Certification of Payments to Subcontractors represents that he or she is duly authorized to execute this Certificate, or if executing on behalf of another, is authorized to do so and that such Authorized Representative is legally bound.

Dated _____, 20__

Contractor _____

By: _____
(Signature)

By: _____
(Name and Title)

STATE OF _____)
) SS.
COUNTY OF _____)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me, by means of ☐ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 20__, by _____, who is personally known to me or who has produced _____as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

NOTARY PUBLIC:

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

(NOTARY SEAL)
My commission expires:

FORM 2

CONTRACTOR'S FINAL RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIEN

Owner: St. Johns County (hereafter "County")	**County Department/Division:**
Contract No.:	**Contractor Name:**
Project:	**Contractor Address:**
Project Address:	**Contractor License No.:**
Payment Amount:	**Amount of Disputed Claims:**

The undersigned has been paid in full for all labor, work, services, materials, equipment, and/or supplies furnished to the Project or to the County and does hereby waive and release any notice of lien, any right to mechanic's lien, any bond right, any claim for payment and any rights under any similar ordinance, rule or statute related to a claim or payment rights the undersigned has on the above described Project, except for the payment of Disputed Claims, if any, described below.

The undersigned warrants that he or she either has already paid or will use the monies received from this final payment to promptly pay in full all of its laborers, subcontractors, materialmen and suppliers for all labor, work, services, materials, equipment, or supplies provided for or to the above referenced Project.

Before any recipient of this document relies on it, the recipient should verify evidence of payment to the undersigned.

Disputed Claims: The following invoices, pay applications, retention, or extra work are reserved by undersigned from this final payment (if there are no Disputed Claims enter **"None"**):

None

Signed this __day of _____, 20__

_____
Contractor/Company Name

By: _____
Signature

_____
Printed Name

_____
Title

NOTICE: THIS DOCUMENT WAIVES RIGHTS UNCONDITIONALLY AND STATES THAT YOU HAVE BEEN PAID FOR GIVING UP THOSE RIGHTS. THIS DOCUMENT IS ENFORCEABLE AGAINST YOU IF YOU SIGN IT TO THE EXTENT OF THE PAYMENT AMOUNT OR THE AMOUNT RECEIVED.

CORNERSTONE
Construction Services, Inc.

August 20, 2026

RE: **St Johns County Stratton Road Transfer Station**
Tipping Floor Repair

We are pleased to provide you with the following scope of work and proposal for the work associated with the Stratton Road Transfer Station project:

INCLUDED:

1) Clean floor repair area.
2) Prep areas to receive new topping:
   a. =/- 15,000sf
3) Key in edges to min 1.5" depth.
4) Provide and install bonding agent.
5) Furnish and install wear indicators.
6) Furnish and install 2" minimum Emery Top 400 topping.
7) Sawcut topping.
8) Cure topping.
9) Schedule:
   a. Mutually agreeable
   b. 2 mobilizations

EXCLUDED:

1) Permits.
2) Steel repair.
3) Trench drain repairs.
4) Disposal fees for any demo material.
5) Bond. (please add 1% if required)

Price: $ 966,720.00

Please call with any questions.

Sincerely

Jason Gonder

Jason Gonder
Vice President

4205 Edgewater Drive • Orlando, FL 32804 • Phone (407) 299-3299 • Fax (407) 299-3294

SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of work shall include the specified repair and replacement of the Stratton Road Transfer Station tipping floor. The project's entirety shall be completed in 2 phases lasting 3 weeks per phase.

The existing wear surface will be repaired and replaced, the work shall include, but shall not be limited to: examination and inspection with a manufacturer's representative; scarification of existing slab; repair of cracks, chips and holes in remaining existing slab; priming; epoxy floor repair if needed; 2" emery aggregate concrete topping; finishing, saw cut, curing, joint filler, and other related activity required to render the newly renovated floor operational.

Proposed price shall include all labor, material, equipment, taxes, and fees to complete the work area shown on the drawings.

The Contractor shall obtain and pay for all required construction permits. All work will be completed at the Stratton Road Transfer Station. The work zone areas are shown on the drawings. A site survey of the floor will be completed by the County and provided to the contractor prior to construction commencing.

SECTION – HEAVY DUTY CONCRETE TOPPING

PART 1 – GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY OF WORK

A. Section includes a premixed, ready to use concrete topping for waste transfer station concrete tipping floors. The material is factory proportioned, mixed and packaged by the manufacturer.

1.2 REFERENCE STANDARDS

A. American Concrete Institute (ACI)
1. 301-89 Specification for Structural Concrete for Buildings.
2. 302.1R-99 Guide for Concrete Floor and Slab Construction.
3. 305 R-99 Hot Weather Concreting.
4. 306 R-88 (Re-approved 1997) Cold Weather Concreting
5. 308 R-01 Guide to Curing Concrete

B. American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM)
1. ASTM C 171-97a, Standard Specification for Sheet Materials for Curing Concrete.
2. ASTM C1315-00, Liquid Membrane-Forming Compounds Having Special Properties of Curing and Sealing Concrete.
3. ASTM A572-50
4. ASTM A36
5. ASTM A501
6. ASTM A53
7. ASTM A500
8. ASTM A325
9. ASTM A490

1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. Product Data and Material Test Reports indicating compliance with the material composition and minimum performance requirements. (Submit to County Project Manager within 10 days of County's receipt of signed contract.)

B. Detailed construction schedule including hourly activities per day and work area. (Submit to County Project Manager within 10 days of County's receipt of signed contract.)

C. Field quality-control test and inspection reports.

D. Manufacturer's warranty.

E. Contractor's warranty.

F. Manufacturer's representative continuous field observation and field review submittals:

1. Pre-construction.
2. Pre-pour.
3. In-progress.
4. Substantial completion.
5. Final Acceptance.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

A. Installer Qualifications: ACI Certified Flat Finisher. Installer shall have 5 years' experience installing emery aggregate concrete toppings at waste transfer station tipping floors.

B. Manufacturer Qualifications: Manufacturer shall have 10 years' experience manufacturing successfully installed, emery aggregate concrete topping product at waste transfer station tipping floors. Manufacturer shall be certified according to NRMCA's "Certification of Ready Mixed Concrete Production Facilities."

C. Concrete Testing: The Owner will engage and pay a testing agency for all quality control testing. The Contractor will be responsible for coordination and scheduling of the required inspections. Costs of retesting, where initial test results prove unsatisfactory and do not indicate compliance with Contract Documents requirements, will be paid by the Contractor. Testing of composite samples of fresh concrete obtained according to ASTM C172 shall be performed according to the following requirements:

1. Testing frequency: Obtain one composite sample for each day's pour of each concrete mixture exceeding 5 cu yd, but less than 25 cu yd plus one set for each additional 50 cu yd or fraction thereof.
2. Compressive Strength Tests: ASTM C39/ C39M; test one set of two laboratory-cured specimens at 24 hours and one set of two specimens at 28 days. A compressive strength test shall be the average compressive strength from a set of two specimens obtained from same composite sample and tested at age indicated.

D. Construction Meetings, Inspections and Certifications:

1. Pre-construction Conference: Conduct pre-installation conference with Contractor, Manufacturer's representative and County Project Manager. Submit manufacturer letter, with mix design, stating that substrate is suitable for installation of concrete topping. If remedies are required, remedies shall be remedies.
2. Pre-pour Inspection: Conduct pre-pour inspection with Contractor, Manufacturer's representative and County Project Manager. Submit manufacturer letter stating that that scarified substrate as observed is suitable for concrete topping.
3. In-progress Observation: Schedule construction activity with County Project Manager to facilitate continuous observation of installation by the Manufacturer's representative and County staff. Submit Contractor's daily diary.
4. Substantial and Final Inspections: Conduct inspection conference with Contractor, Manufacturer's representative and County Project Manager. Submit manufacturer's punch list then manufacturer's certification letter indicating final acceptance of the work installed.

E. Manufacturer Warranty: The installed product is warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a minimum of seven (7) years from the date of final acceptance.

F. Contractor Warranty: The installed product is warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship for seven (7) years from the date of final acceptance.

1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

A. Keep materials in cool, dry storage to prevent water damage.

B. The Tillman Ridge Transfer Station will not off-load any deliveries or sign for any deliveries. Deliveries after hours will be rejected, unless previously approved from TRTS Supervisor.

1.6 USE OF SITE

A. Work Hours:
   1. 8am – 5pm, Monday through Friday.
   2. Construction activity start & stop hours will be strictly in compliance with the County approved construction schedule. 48 hrs. advance notice must be made to the County Project Manager of any proposed changes.

B. Personnel on-site:
   1. Submit a list of construction personnel on-site each morning to the TRTS Supervisor.
   2. Contractor personnel shall wear minimum ANSI/ISEA Class 2 apparel while onsite.

C. Utilities:
   1. Water service and distribution: Limited use of existing facilities.
   2. Electric power and light: Limited use of existing facilities.

D. Temporary construction and support facilities:
   1. Sanitary facilities, including drinking water: Limited use of existing facilities.
   2. Provide temporary enclosures, barricades, warning signs and lights around and leading up to the construction area. Provide MOT (Maintenance of Traffic) Devices per FDOT 2023, Index 102-600 series outside the building on the east and west ramp drives leading up into the building, if necessary.

E. Temporary fire protection: Provide hand carried, portable UL-rated, class 'ABC' dry chemical fire extinguishers on-site.

F. Environmental protection per jurisdictional requirements. Provide protection, operate temporary facilities and conduct construction in ways and by methods that comply with environmental regulations, and minimize the possibility that air, waterways and subsoil might be contaminated or polluted, or that other undesirable effects might result.

G. Collection and disposal of waste: Collect waste from construction areas daily. Dispose of materials in lawful manner at St. Johns County Solid Waste Transfer Stations. Regular tipping fees apply.

PART 2 – PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

A. L&M Construction Chemicals, Inc, 14851 Calhoun Road, Omaha, NE 68152, 800-362-3331.

B. PNA Construction Technologies, 800-542-0213.

C. County approved equivalent product substitution that meets the minimum material requirements, performance requirements, manufacturer's representative field representation requirements and warranty requirements. Substitution requests must be submitted during the question and answer period of the Solicitation.

2.2 MATERIALS

A. Ready-Mix Concrete Topping in 55 lb or 3,000 lb bags composed of heavy-duty emery Aggregate mixed with Portland cement. Emerytop400 by L&M Construction Chemicals.
   1. Physical properties: Emery aggregate must be 100% natural. Must contain a minimum of 50% aluminum oxide and a minimum of 24% ferric oxide with not more than 8% silica.
   2. Minimum test performance:
      a. ASTM C-39 – PSI Compressive Strength.
         1. After 24 hours achieves minimum 5,510 psi
         2. After 28 days achieves minimum 13,860 psi
      b. ACI 544.2 R89 – Impact resistance. 100 drops per test.
         1. 7 days – no cracking.
         2. 28 days – no cracking.
      c. ASTM C 779 – Abrasion resistance for horizontal surfaces. Depth of wear in inches:
         1. After 30 minutes = maximum of 0.0010 inches
         2. After 60 minutes = maximum of 0.0026 inches
      d. ASTM C157 – Length of change of concrete. Ability of topping to remain bonded to slab without shrinkage or cracks.
         1. At 28 days, a maximum length of change of 0.053%
      e. ASTM C1202 – Electrical indication of concretes' ability to resist chloride ion penetration.
         1. At 220 Coulombs Passes, the penetrability rating is Very Low
      f. ASTM C78 – Flexural strength.
         1. At 3 days, minimum 1,075 psi
         2. At 7 days, minimum 1,275 psi
         3. At 28 days, minimum 1,650 psi
      g. ASTM C469 – Modules of elasticity: 28 days, minimum 6,000,000 psi

B. Water: ASTM C94/ C 94M and potable.

C. Bonding Agent for Slurry: EVERBOND by L&M Construction Chemicals.

D. Curing compound: DRESS & SEAL WB 30 by L&M Construction Chemicals.

E. Semi-rigid Joint Filler: JOINT TITE 750, by L&M Construction Chemicals.

E. Concrete Curing Cover: Hydracure sheeting by PNA Construction Technologies.

F. Concrete Repair Epoxy: SIXATOP 122

2.3 ADMIXTURES

A. No add mixtures.

PART 3 – EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

A. At pre-installation conference, verify by examination with Manufacturer's Representative and County Project Manager that surfaces are acceptable to receive the concrete topping.

3.2 PREPARATION

A. The top surface of the existing concrete shall be scarified to remove four (4) inches of existing concrete throughout per manufacturer recommendations. Existing embedded steel rails will remain in place while concrete is removed up to and around them.

B. Repair cracks, chips and holes in existing concrete substrate with semi-rigid joint filler per manufacturer recommendations.

C. Mark the location of existing control joints.

D. Soak the existing concrete substrate with water for 24 hours and just prior to the placement of Bonding Slurry.

E. Priming with Bonding Slurry. Bonding agent is mixed with dry Portland cement per manufacturer recommendations. The bonding slurry is scrubbed into the surface of the substrate that is saturated surface damp (SSD) no more than 15 minutes before placement of the concrete topping. Do not allow Bonding Slurry to dry or puddle.

3.3 APPLICATION

A. Concrete Topping is ready-mixed on-site in a mixing truck with water per manufacturer recommendations. Maximum mixing time is five (5) minutes. Place Concrete Topping within 30 minutes of mixing. Place Concrete Topping within 15 minutes of application of bonding slurry. Do not allow material to flow into existing leachate collection system.

B. Place Concrete Topping over wet Bonding Slurry per manufacturer recommendations. The final elevation of finished concrete slab is determined by placing approximately a four (4) inch thick

concrete topping so that new floor elevation matches existing adjacent floor elevation and create positive drainage to existing leachate system. Float finish. Do not allow material to flow into existing leachate collection system.

C. The next morning, saw cut control joints through and over existing concrete control joints. Follow ACI 302 procedures. Do not allow material to flow into existing leachate collection system.

D. Wet cure concrete topping for seven days, covering the slab with Concrete Curing Cover. After seven days, remove cover and allow to dry then continue curing with two coats of Curing Compound per manufacturer recommendations.

E. After concrete has fully cured, fill joint wells with Semi-rigid Joint Filler per manufacturer instructions and ACI 302.

PART 4 – CLOSE-OUT

4.1 ACCEPTANCE INSPECTIONS

A. Substantial Completion Inspection: The substantial completion inspection will be conducted with the Contractor, Manufacturer's representative and County Project Manager attending. The Manufacturer's representative will prepare a punch list of items that require correction based on that inspection.

B. Final Inspection: After corrections have been made, a final inspection will be conducted with Contractor, Manufacturer's representative and County Project Manager attending. The result of the inspection will be the manufacturer's certification letter.

4.2 APPLICATIONS FOR PAYMENT

A. Initial Application for Payment: Submit Application for Payment on County Form to the County Project Manager with Manufacturer's Punch List signed by Contractor immediately after Substantial Completion Inspection.
B. Final Application for Payment: Submit application for payment on County form to County Project Manager with the following attachments:
    1. Material tickets.
    2.Concrete tests including 28-day test.
    3. Manufacturer warranty.
    4. Contractor warranty.
    5. Manufacturer's certification letter indicating final acceptance of the work installed.
    6. Final release of liens from subcontractors and suppliers.
    7. Final liquidated damages settlement statement.
    8. Maintenance instructions.

END OF SECTION