

A G E N D A

HICKORY CITY COUNCIL

October 20, 2015



7:00 p.m.



AGENDA
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Hickory City Council
76 North Center Street

October 20, 2015
7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Invocation by Rev. David Roberts II, Pastor, Morning Star First Baptist Church
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Special Presentations
 - A. Swearing-in Mike Johnson and Dean Proctor to the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission
 - B. Presentation of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 by Paula Hodges, Audit Partner with Martin Starnes & Associates
- V. Persons Requesting to Be Heard
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Regular Meeting of October 6, 2015 **(Exhibit VI.A.)**
- VII. Reaffirmation and Ratification of Second Readings. Votes recorded on first reading will be reaffirmed and ratified on second reading unless Council Members change their votes and so indicate on second reading.
 - A. Approval of the National Naval Aviation Museum Standard Renewal Loan Agreement for Loaned Aircraft and Artifacts Located at the Hickory Regional Airport. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - B. Approval of the Contract Renewal with Socrata in the Amount of \$12,000. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
 - C. Budget Ordinance Amendment Number 7. **(First Reading Vote: Unanimous)**
- VIII. Consent Agenda: All items below are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. In which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered under Item IX.
 - A. Proclamation for Extra Mile Day, November 1, 2015. **(Exhibit VIII.A.)**
 - B. Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31, 2015. **(Exhibit VIII.B.)**

- C. Approval of a Lease Agreement for Property Located at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory to Jamie Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey. **(Exhibit VIII.C.)**

Hickory Police Department purchased and renovated the property at 304 3rd Street SW Hickory. The property is adjacent to the current 6.18 acres of City owned property and would provide necessary land for any future expansion of the Police Department. The property has three bedrooms, two baths, stove, refrigerator, and microwave. Hickory Police Department requests leasing the property to Jamie Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey in the amount of \$600 per month, beginning November 1, 2015. The tenant will be responsible for all utilities.

- D. Approval of Amended Special Event Application for 2015 Walk to End Alzheimer's, Meghan Lawton, Regional Manager, Alzheimer's Association of WNC, Crawdad's Stadium/Park, October 31, 2015 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. **(Exhibit VIII.D.)**

- E. Citizens' Advisory Committee Recommendations for Assistance through the City of Hickory's Housing Programs. **(Exhibit VIII.E.)**

The following requests were considered by the Citizens' Advisory Committee at their regular meeting on October 1, 2015:

- *Raymond Mitchell, 638 3rd Avenue Drive SE, Hickory, was approved for Loan Subordination. Mr. Mitchell's loan was done under the First-Time Homebuyers Program. The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommended this subordination to help Mr. Mitchell do a loan modification to lower his monthly payment/interest rate and make it more affordable. He will not be taking any money out for personal use.*

Each of the following applicants are being recommended for approval for assistance under the City of Hickory's 2015 Urgent Repair Program. This program provides qualified low income citizens with assistance for emergency-related repairs not to exceed \$8,000.

- *Ruth Adams, 117 3rd Avenue SW, Hickory*
- *Irma Griffin, 529 12th Street SW, Hickory*
- *Teresa Robinson, 3271 Blue Sky Court, Newton*

The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval of the aforementioned requests for assistance through the City of Hickory's housing assistance programs.

- F. Approval of "Food for Fines" Amnesty Weeks at the Libraries. **(Exhibit VIII.F.)**

Approval of the waiver of overdue fines for library customers who donate canned, boxed, or bagged food items at either Patrick Beaver Memorial Library or Ridgeview Branch Library during the two-week period of December 1-15, 2015. One item of food will cancel \$1 in overdue fines, and donated items will be given to Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry. Library staff recommends approval of the annual "Food for Fines" Amnesty Weeks.

- G. Approval of the Capital Purchase of Structural Firefighting Gear for FY15/16 in the Amount of \$385,000. **(Exhibit VIII.G.)**

Hickory Fire Department requests approval for the purchase of structural firefighting gear for all personnel. The last purchase of structural firefighting gear was in FY09/10. The fire department incorporates the use of an equipment committee made up of full-time personnel. This committee is tasked with reviewing best practices from across North Carolina and the United States when reviewing tools for apparatus or equipment for the firefighters. The committee chose the Honeywell/Morning Pride line of structural gear for its build qualities, exceptional protection during fire conditions, and renowned customer service. In the analysis, local cooperative purchase plans and local government awarded bid contracts were reviewed to see if any could be utilized in meeting the purchasing needs of the fire department. The Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance has such a

contract, and the terms have been extended to all North Carolina fire departments that wish to piggyback on the contracts purchasing agreement with Morning Pride. The fire department will be purchasing 130 complete sets of structural firefighting gear, at an approximate cost of \$356,000. This cost may increase or decrease depending on the sizing changes that may occur between different personnel. The fire department recommends acceptance of the Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance terms for the purchase of the CIP structural firefighting gear for personnel.

- H. Approval of a Contract with Crowder Construction Company in the amount of \$2,699,000 for the Emergency Power Generator Replacement Project at the Water Treatment Facility. **(Exhibit VIII.H.)**

The City of Hickory Water Treatment Facility was last upgraded in 1993. This upgrade included the installation of a new emergency generator that would provide power to portions of the facility in the event of power failure. The generator is approximately 24 years old and is a permit required critical piece of equipment for operations of the facility. The generator is experiencing failures on the power generation end of the emergency generator and has exceeded the mechanical life of the unit. Staff has had the existing emergency generator evaluated and vendors cannot provide replacement parts to repair the existing unit. In October of 2014, with City Council's approval, HDR Engineering Inc. analyzed and designed the project. The project was advertised for bid and Crowder Construction Company was the lowest responsible bidder. On October 6, 2015, on second reading, Council accepted bids on this project. This project is planned as a component of the FY 15-16 Capital Budget to be funded from Capital Reserves. Staff recommends Council award the contract for the Water Treatment Facility emergency power generator replacement project with Crowder Construction Company being the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$2,699,000.

- I. Approval of an Amendment to the Agreement for Engineering Services with HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas in the Amount of \$114,500. **(Exhibit VIII.I.)**

In October of 2014, City Council approved a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas to perform professional engineering services for the generator at the Water Treatment Facility. Staff is proposing to hire HDR Engineering, Inc. to provide construction administration and inspection services on the project due to the level of familiarity with the design and infrastructure. This project is anticipated to take approximately a year to complete and will be staffed with an engineer full-time while the contractor is on-site. Fees were negotiated using standard accepted tables. This project is planned as a component of the FY 15-16 Capital Budget to be funded from Capital Reserves. Staff recommends Council's approval of this Amendment to the Agreement for Engineering Services with HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas to perform professional engineering services related to construction administration and inspection services for the replacement emergency generator at the Water Treatment Facility in the amount of \$114,500.

- J. Acceptance of 35th Avenue Court NE into the City of Hickory's Street Maintenance. **(Exhibit VIII.J.)**

35th Avenue Court NE was recently brought up to City of Hickory roadway standards by adjacent property owners. The section is approximately 550 feet long and is located on the east side of Falling Creek Road between Falling Creek Estates and Woodlawn Memorial Gardens. Public right of way existed previously and roadway is within the City limits. This street is eligible for City maintenance and inclusion on the Powell Bill listing. The work required to bring the road to City of Hickory standards was financed entirely with private funds and no City monies were used for that work. Staff recommends that 35th Avenue Court NE be accepted by City of Hickory street maintenance and inclusion on Powell Bill listing.

- K. Budget Ordinance Amendment Number 8. **(Exhibit VIII.K.)**

1. *To recognize \$300.00 revenue received from Youth Council participants for their portion of the fee for attendance at state conference in Winston-Salem the weekend of October 9-11, 2015.*
2. *To transfer unspent funds of \$383 within Capital Project #546014 (Storm Damage Repair) back to the General Fund and close out the project.*
3. *Upon closing Grant Project #G51100 (Police Dept. vests 2013), \$2 was remaining and transferred back to the General Fund. The original grant in the amount of \$25,200 (\$9,350.17 Federal Funds and \$15,849.83 Local Match) was accepted by City Council on December 3, 2013. The grant project provided 42 vests for the Hickory Police Department. Unused funds in the amount of \$2 will be returned to the General Fund.*
4. *To amend the budget for the FY14 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Award #2014-DJ-BX-1087 - Award Date 08/29/14 - Award Project Period 10/01/13 to 09/30/15. Federal award in the amount of \$23,359 for the purchase of Training Breaching Door Kit, Individual Officer Trauma Kit, and Ballistic Shield. Council approved application process on 05/20/14. Council accepted the grant award on 09/16/14. Final amendment request to fund expenditure overages for the project in the amount of \$43. The overage will be transferred from the General Fund Hickory Police Departmental Supplies Operating Budget.*

L. Grant Project Ordinance Number 3. **(Exhibit VIII.L.)**

1. *This Grant Project Ordinance will set up revenue and expenditure line-item budgets for the 2015 Urgent Repair Program (URP15). The City of Hickory was approved by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency in the amount of \$50,000 with a local required match of \$5,000. The required match is provided by Miscellaneous Revenues/Program Income.*

M. Grant Project Ordinance Number 4. **(Exhibit VIII.M.)**

1. *This Grant Project Ordinance will establish the project budget for the purchase of 12 body-worn cameras, hardware, service, and digital evidence management solution for the Hickory Police Department and the purchase of equipment for officer training by Catawba County. Federal funding in the amount of \$19,555 is available to the City and \$12,900 is available for Catawba County. Hickory is the lead agency for grant administration. Council accepted the award on September 15, 2015.*

N. Grant Project Ordinance Amendment Number 2. **(Exhibit VIII.N.)**

1. *To transfer unspent funds of \$383 within Capital Project #546014 (Storm Damage Repair) back to the General Fund and close out the project.*
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3. *To move a total of \$78,750 in CDBG Entitlement Block Grant revenues into CDBG Public Infrastructure for street resurfacing (\$18,750) and Optimist Park Improvements for tennis court renovations (\$60,000).*
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IX. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

X. Informational Item

- A. Mayor Wright's Travel to Ignition City Vision 2015, Winston-Salem, NC, October 12, 2015 (Registration \$410; Mileage Reimbursement \$81.65). **(Exhibit X.A.)**

XI. New Business:

A. Public Hearings

1. Consideration of Voluntary Contiguous Annexation of 11.936 acres Located in the 3000 Block of Short Road. **(Exhibit XI.A.1.)**

A petition was submitted on behalf of Cecil and Rachel Munday for the voluntary contiguous annexation of 11.936 acres of property located in the 3000 block of Short Road. The annexation area is the proposed location of an eighty unit residential apartment complex. The construction of which will require municipal water and sewer service. Upon analysis, Staff has determined the petition meets the statutory requirements for voluntary contiguous annexation, and adequate public services are available. Staff recommends approval of the requested annexation.

This public hearing was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on October 9, 2015.

2. Consideration of the Sale of Five City-Owned Properties Located on F Avenue SE. **(Exhibit XI.A.2.)**

The City owns five properties located on F Avenue SE that were originally purchased with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds as part of the East Hickory Redevelopment Plan. The properties are located at 865, 870, 872, 880, and 889 F Avenue SE. These properties were originally purchased for future development and to stabilize the area through the reduction of blight. Staff has been approached by AMMCO, LLC with an offer to purchase these properties, and plans on developing these properties for residential use. A public hearing is required since the properties were purchased with CDBG funds. In accordance to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Regulations, the properties must be sold for market value. A recent appraisal listed the market value of these properties at \$17,000. The offer from AMMCO, LLC is for market value. The properties must also be sold subject to the upset bid process. Staff recommends that City Council adopt a resolution accepting the offer from AMMCO, LLC and authorize Staff to advertise for upset bids.

This public hearing was advertised in a newspaper having general circulation in the Hickory area on October 9, 2015 and October 16, 2015.

B. Departmental Reports:

1. Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding for the Construction of a Splash Pad at Kiwanis Park. **(Exhibit XI.B.1)**

The City of Hickory, Hickory Kiwanis Club and the Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County engaged in a joint effort to construct the Zahra Baker All

Children's Playground at Kiwanis Park which opened May of 2012. Both Kiwanis clubs have agreed to partner with the City of Hickory to jointly fund the construction of a splash pad at Kiwanis Park that would be maintained by the City of Hickory as part of its operations. The Memorandum of Understanding details the terms and conditions under which the splash pad will be constructed. The Memorandum of Understanding has been sent to both the Hickory Kiwanis Club and the Kiwanis Club of Catawba County for their respective consideration and approval. The Parks and Recreation Commission considered and approved the Memorandum of Understanding at their August 11, 2015 meeting and recommends its approval by City Council. Staff recommends approval of the Memorandum of Understanding for the construction of a splash pad at Kiwanis Park.

2. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
Other Minority VACANT
Other Minority VACANT

HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms With Unlimited Appointments)
(Appointed by City Council)
Burke County (Mayor to Nominate) VACANT Since 8-6-2008
Brookford (Mayor to Nominate) VACANT Since 6-2006
Catawba County (Mayor to Nominate) VACANT

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

(Appointed by Mayor with the Concurrence of City Council)
(8) Positions VACANT

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
At-Large Minority VACANT

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
Ward 2 Frank Lenoir resigned 10-14-2015
Ward 3 VACANT
At-Large (Mayor Nominates) VACANT Mylinda Strittmatter resigned 9-8-2015

RECYCLING ADVISORY BOARD

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
Ward 3 VACANT

SALT BLOCK FOUNDATION

(Term Expires 6-30; 2-Year Term)
Remainder of Mandy Pitts Term expires June 30, 2016

YOUTH COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 1-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
Hickory Career Arts Magnet VACANT

C. Presentation of Petitions and Requests

XII. Matters Not on Agenda (requires majority vote of Council to consider)

XIII. General Comments by Members of Council, City Manager or City Attorney of a Non-Business Nature

XIV. Adjournment

***Hickory City Code Section 2-56. Public Address to Council:**

“When conducting public hearings, considering ordinances and otherwise considering matters wherein the public has a right to be heard, when it appears that there are persons present desiring to be heard, the Mayor shall require those opposing and favoring the proposed action to identify themselves. Each side of the matter shall be given equal time. Those opposing the proposed action shall be allowed 15 minutes for presentation, followed by 15 minutes for those favoring the action, with the opponents then to have five minutes for rebuttal and the proponents to then have five minutes for surrebuttal. Those persons on either side shall have the right to divide their allotted time among them as they may choose. The Council, by majority vote, may extend the time for each side equally. On matters in which the person desiring to address the Council does not have a legal right to speak, the Council shall determine whether it will hear the person. The refusal to hear a person desiring to speak may be based upon grounds that the subject matter is confidential, that its public discussion would be illegal, that it is a matter not within the jurisdiction of the Council or for any other cause deemed sufficient by the Council. Any person allowed to speak who shall depart from the subject under discussion or who shall make personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who shall become boisterous while addressing the Council shall be declared out of order by the Mayor, or by vote of the Council, and barred from speaking further before the Council unless permission to continue shall be granted by a majority vote of the Council, under such restrictions as the Council may provide.”

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with disabilities at least 48 hours before the scheduled meeting.
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A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Hickory was held in the Council Chamber of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., with the following members present:

	Rudy Wright	
Brad Lail		Hank Guess
Bruce Meisner	Aldermen	David P. Zagaroli
Danny Seaver		Jill Patton

A quorum was present.

Also present were: City Manager Mick Berry, Assistant City Manager Rodney Miller, Assistant City Manager Andrea Surratt, City Attorney John W. Crone, III, Deputy City Clerk Sarah Prencipe and City Clerk Debbie D. Miller

- I. Mayor Wright called the meeting to order. All Council members were present except for Alderman Lail.
- II. Invocation by Rev. Bill Garrard, Retired United Methodist Pastor
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Special Presentations
 - A. Proclamation for Fire Prevention Week, October 4-10, 2015.

Mayor Wright read and presented the Proclamation for Fire Prevention Week to Terri Byers of the Hickory Fire Department.

Ms. Byers advised citizens that they have smoke alarms available if anyone is in need of one.

Mayor Wright commented that the City had only had one fire death in 16 years, which was a homeless person in makeshift housing. Mayor Wright recognized the City's other heroes, the Hickory Police Department who were in attendance.
- V. Persons Requesting to Be Heard
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Regular Meeting of September 15, 2015

Alderwoman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Seaver that the Minutes of September 15, 2015 be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wright announced that the motion was made by Alderwoman Patton seconded by Alderman Seaver and the motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Special Meeting of September 16, 2015

Alderman Zagaroli moved, seconded by Alderwoman Patton that the Minutes of September 16, 2015 be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wright announced that the motion was made by Alderman Zagaroli seconded by Alderwoman Patton and the motion carried unanimously.
 - C. Special Meeting of September 24, 2015

Alderman Seaver moved, seconded by Alderwoman Patton that the Minutes of September 24, 2015 be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wright announced that the motion was made by Alderman Seaver seconded by Alderwoman Patton and the motion carried unanimously.
- VII. Reaffirmation and Ratification of Second Readings. Votes recorded on first reading will be reaffirmed and ratified on second reading unless Council Members change their votes and so indicate on second reading.

Alderwoman Patton moved, seconded by Alderman Seaver that the following be reaffirmed and ratified on second reading. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wright announced that the motion was made by Alderwoman Patton seconded by Alderman Seaver and the motion carried unanimously.

 - A. Approval of a Landscape Grant for Non-residential Property Owned by First Lawyers, LLC, Located at 858 2nd Street NE in the Amount of \$2,500. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)

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- B. Approval of a Community Appearance Grant for Non-residential Property Owned by Phillip McCluney Located at 903 10th Street NE, in the Amount of \$5,000. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
 - C. Approval of a Community Appearance Grant for Non-residential Property Owned by Cooperative Christian Ministry (CCM) Located at 31 1st Avenue NE, in the Amount of \$5,000. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
 - D. Acceptance of the Bid and Award of the Construction Contract to Hickory Sand Company, Inc. for the Construction of the Sherwood Forest Sewer Project in the amount of \$748,924.50. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
 - E. Grant Project Ordinance Number 2. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
 - F. Budget Ordinance Amendment Number 6. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
 - G. Acceptance of the Bid for the Water Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator Replacement Project with Crowder Construction Company in the amount of \$2,699,000. (First Reading Vote: Unanimous)
- VIII. Consent Agenda: All items below are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests. In which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered under Item IX.

Alderman Meisner moved, seconded by Alderman Guess approval of the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Wright announced that the motion was made by Alderman Meisner seconded by Alderman Guess and the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Approved on First Reading the National Naval Aviation Museum Standard Renewal Loan Agreement for Loaned Aircraft and Artifacts Located at the Hickory Regional Airport.

The City of Hickory/Hickory Regional Airport has on loan from the National Naval Aviation Museum (NNAM) certain retired aircraft and artifacts located at the Hickory Regional Airport and on display by the Hickory Aviation Museum. The Hickory Regional Airport has participated in and has had on loan property from the NNAM for over fifteen (15) years. The Loan Agreement with NNAM covers a period of five (5) years commencing September 1, 2015 and ending September 1, 2020 with an option for renewal. Staff recommends approval of the National Naval Aviation Museum Standard Renewal Loan Agreement for loaned aircraft and artifacts.
- B. Approved Eight Days of Vacation Time to Use as Door Prizes for Coworker Appreciation Day.

Human Resources requests approval of eight days of vacation time to use as door prizes for the annual Coworker Appreciation event scheduled for Thursday, October 29, 2015, at Hickory Metro Convention Center. Five days are used as the grand prize and the other three days as additional door prizes. Staff recommends approval of eight days of vacation time for door prizes at the annual coworker event.
- C. Approved on First Reading the Contract Renewal with Socrata in the Amount of \$12,000.

In an effort to provide greater transparency, the City of Hickory contracted with Socrata to present the FY 2016 Budget over the internet. Following the success and popularity of that initiative Staff recommends that we take the next step in transparency by utilizing Socrata's OpenExpenditures product. The open data portal will enable citizens to reduce the need for administrative assistance when seeking public information from the City. Staff recommends approval of the contract renewal with Socrata in the amount of \$12,000 for OpenBudget with the addition of Socrata's OpenExpenditures product for a one year term.
- D. Approved the Special Events Activities Application for Children's Advocacy and Protection Center Vigil, Kathleen Landry, Community Outreach Coordinator, October 20, 2015, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Sails on the Square.
- E. Called for a Public Hearing for Consideration of Voluntary Contiguous Annexation of 11.936 acres Located in the 3000 Block of Short Road. (Authorize Public Hearing for October 20, 2015)

RESOLUTION NO. 15-24
RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE A PETITION RECEIVED
UNDER G.S. 160A-31 AND/OR 160A-58.1, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, a petition from Cecil and Rachel Munday requesting annexation of an area described in a petition was received on September 22, 2015 by the City Council of the City of Hickory; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-31 and G.S. 160A-58.1 provide that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hickory deems it advisable to proceed in response to this request for annexation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY:

THAT, the Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above-described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the City Council the result of her investigation.

CERTIFICATE OF SUFFICIENCY

TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA:

I, Debbie D. Miller, City Clerk, do hereby certify that I have investigated the petition attached hereto and have found as a fact that said petition is signed by all owners of real property lying in the area described therein, in accordance with G.S. 160A-31 and/or G.S. 160A-58.1, as amended:

Located in the 3000 Block of Short Road, Hickory, NC, identified as PIN 3711-12-95-4256 containing 11.936 acres more or less

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the City of Hickory this 23rd day of September, 2015.

/s/ Debbie D. Miller, City Clerk

(SEAL)

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON QUESTION OF ANNEXATION, PURSUANT TO G.S. 160A-31 OR G.S. 160A-58.1, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of the area described herein has been received; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hickory has, by Resolution, directed the clerk to investigate the sufficiency thereof; and

WHEREAS, certification by the Clerk as to the sufficiency of said petition has been made.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY:

Section 1: That a public hearing on the question of annexation of the area described herein will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 20, 2015, in the Council Chambers of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building, located at 76 North Center Street, Hickory, North Carolina.

Section 2: The area proposed for annexation is described as follows:
Property of Cecil and Rachel Munday located in the 3000 Block of Short Road, Hickory, NC, identified as PIN 3711-12-95-4256 containing 11.936 acres more or less.

Section 3: Notice of said public hearing shall be published in *The Hickory Daily Record*, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Hickory, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said public hearing.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-25
A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE INTENT TO ANNEX INTO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HICKORY CERTAIN PROPERTY OWNED BY CECIL AND RACHEL MUNDAY
CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE SAME

WHEREAS, Cecil Munday, and wife Rachel Munday are the owners of certain real property as described herein, which property is located in the 3000 Block of Short Road, Hickory, identified as PIN 3711-12-95-4256 containing 11.936 acres more or less; and

WHEREAS, such property is immediately adjacent to the existing corporate limits of the City of Hickory; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health, safety and wellbeing of the residents of the City of Hickory to annex such property into the corporate limits of the City of Hickory as authorized by N.C.G.S. Section 160A-31; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Hickory City Council, sitting in open session this 6th day of October, 2015, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing body of said Council, duly called and posted in accordance with the statutes of the State of North Carolina, as follows:

Section 1: That the Hickory City Council does determine that it is in the best interest of the health, safety and well-being of the residents of the City of Hickory to annex the property described hereinafter into the corporate limits of the City of Hickory.

Section 2: That a public hearing on the question of annexation of the area described herein will be held at 7:00 p.m. on October 20, 2015, in the Council Chamber of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building, located at 76 North Center Street, Hickory, North Carolina.

Section 3: The same being that property reflected on a maps entitled Short Road Property Annexation, property outlined in red;

Section 4: Notice of said public hearing shall be published in *The Hickory News*, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Hickory, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said public hearing.

F. Called for a Public Hearing for Consideration of the Sale of Five City-Owned Properties Located on F Avenue SE. (Authorize Public Hearing for October 20, 2015)

G. Accepted the North Carolina Department of Transportation Grant (Non-Primary Entitlement Funds) in the Amount of \$150,000 for Airport Improvements.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), by Letter dated July 30, 2015, has allocated FAA Non-Primary Entitlement Funds under the State Block Grant Program for Federal fiscal year 2015 for the Hickory Regional Airport. The funds are to be used for airside safety needs first with consideration of other needed airport projects. These funds are to be expended no later than July 1, 2019. NCDOT has allocated Federal funds via Grant 36237.66.NPE.15 with the Federal share of \$150,000 and the local share of \$16,667 for airport improvements. Upon City Council's acceptances of the grant, any future proposed projects that fall under the guidelines of this grant will be brought back to Council for approval. Staff recommends Council's acceptance of the grant in the amount of \$150,000 from NCDOT.

H. Approved on First Reading Budget Ordinance Amendment Number 7.

ORDINANCE NO. 15-46
BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 7

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory that, pursuant to Section 15 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

SECTION 1. To amend the General Fund the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Culture & Recreation	5,175	-
Transportation	4,128	-
TOTAL	9,303	-

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the revenues will be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Miscellaneous	5,175	-
Unrestricted Intergovernmental Revenues	4,128	-
TOTAL	9,303	-

SECTION 2. To amend the Water and Sewer Fund the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Environmental Protection	77,465	-
TOTAL	77,465	-

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the revenues will be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Miscellaneous	77,465	-
TOTAL	77,465	-

SECTION 3. Copies of the budget ordinance amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for their direction.

- I. Approved Amendments to the Economic Development Agreement between the City of Hickory and Blue Bloodhound, LP. (Exhibit VIII.I.)

On June 25, 2015 City Council approved the Economic Development Agreement with Blue Bloodhound, LP. Subsequent to Council approving the Agreement, Blue Bloodhound, LP created another company, Blue Bloodhound Management, LLC. Clue Bloodhound Management, an affiliate of Blue Bloodhound, LP, will be responsible for some of the performance of Blue Bloodhound, LP under the economic development agreement. Therefore, both companies need to be a part of the Agreement. In addition to adding the affiliate company's name to the Agreement, the due date for the Opinion of Counsel letters from the company and the City has been changed from August 31, 2015 to October 1, 2015. Other than adding Blue Bloodhound Management, LLC to the Agreement and revising the due date for the Opinion of Counsel letters, no other changes have been made to the Agreement. Staff requests Council's approval of the amended Economic Development Agreement between the City of Hickory, Clue Bloodhound, LP, and Blue Bloodhound Management, LLC.

- IX. Items Removed from Consent Agenda – None

- X. Informational Item

- XI. New Business:

- A. Public Hearings

- B. Departmental Reports:

- 1. Recycling Update

City Manager Mick Berry asked the City's Public Services Director Chuck Hansen to the podium to present Council with an update for the recycling program. Mr. Berry complimented Mr. Hansen and his Staff on the smooth transition of getting the new rollout containers out to the citizens.

Public Services Director Chuck Hansen presented a PowerPoint presentation. He pointed out the previous curbside sorting percentages. He advised that there had been the addition of most of the plastics, cardboard which included everything from pizza boxes to moving boxes, fiber board which would include drink boxes, cereal boxes, mixed papers, junk mail, and books. He showed the FY14-15 curb sorting percentages which was for the 18 gallon blue bins. They had compared given months from the previous year to this year. He advised that the numbers were for participation rate, which was one of the measures that they use in their performance measurements. In the past, if you set out your blue bin once a month, then you were counted as participating. He advised that was a random count and they did not count it every month. Under the single-stream they are actually counting each pickup. The equipment is different, it is easier to count for the driver to keep track of the pickups. It is a more accurate account of collection. He advised they the City had been in the high 70's low 80's in participation rate, and now we are in the upper 60's to lower 70's, which is still excellent compared to other areas in North Carolina. This counting measure has gone done which is essentially what they expected it to be. He commented that collection now is every other week, and if you miss your week, then that pickup would occur once a month versus once every two weeks, which some citizens are doing. He showed the tonnage which had increased across the board, 375 to 710. We have gone up 89-90 percent in terms of tonnage collected. The system is working, the process is working. They are hearing positive comments from the citizens. It was a little confusing in the beginning as to which week pickup was, but that has smoothed

out now. He commented that Staff was pleased with the results four months into the program.

Alderman Seaver commented that the tonnage was indicative of the participation rate being higher. There is a bigger bin to put it in, so you don't have to roll it down that often.

Mr. Hansen advised that it was approximately \$5,700 a month less expensive than it was last year as cost to the City. Automated, every other week collection. We have not quite doubled the tonnage, and we are doing it at about \$5,700 a month cheaper. Over the course of a year that is approximately \$68,000 to \$69,000 in terms of the collection process.

Alderman Seaver asked if the City was to the "break even" point yet on expenses.

Mr. Hansen showed the garbage tonnage slide. He advised that it would take a whole year of data for the information to mean something to Staff. He pointed out the tonnage and advised that the City was sending less tons to the landfill, 10-12 percent less tons going to the landfill. He advised that it cost the City \$33 per ton to get it into the landfill. Projecting the numbers out, that would be about \$40,000 in savings too. We are getting approximately \$100,000 to \$110,000 annually in savings with a much better environmental product meaning less going to the landfill and things getting back into the recycle stream. Over the last year or so the markets have come down, we are getting a little bit less for the product than we did previously. That goes back to society as a whole using a recycled product when they buy something. Does it have some recycling content in it? He encouraged citizens to look for that on the buying end of the product.

Alderwoman Patton asked if there was any projection of when the grocery store bags could be recycled. She asked if there was a plan or anticipation of being able to recycle those.

Mr. Hansen commented that they don't take sheet plastic, plastic bag. They have explained to the citizens, and in the literature that went out, that most grocery stores will provide that recycling at their facility. That type of plastic material ties up the sorting equipment. It gets intertwined in the gears. It is a lot of moving parts, fans, magnets, and blowers. He encouraged citizens to take that plastic back to the market that it was purchased in. A big part of that is grocery stores. He advised they don't see that coming in the stream anytime soon. He advised that you get contamination in recycled product when the wrong thing goes into the wrong bin. He advised that they are hearing from Republic Services that our revenue stream is a pretty clean revenue stream. Hopefully it will continue to be so, which helps in what we are sending in and what we get out of it on the backend. Hopefully the citizenry will continue to do the right thing putting the recycled product in the recycle bin, and the garbage in the garbage bin. If we get too much contamination then that load would have to go to the landfill. He advised they are hearing very positive things about what is actually getting recycled, meaning it is pretty clean recycled product.

Alderwoman Patton commented that it is amazing when you do recycle and you start thinking about everything that you can recycle. She advised that her recycle bin is full and she has very little trash.

Mr. Hansen agreed and commented that has been the same at his house as well. He commented that they are seeing that quite a bit. He advised that Staff would see how it goes over the course of the year and get a year's worth of data. They feel like it will continue along the same lines.

2. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Other Minority	VACANT
Other Minority	VACANT

HICKORY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms With Unlimited Appointments)

(Appointed by City Council)

Burke County (Mayor to Nominate)	VACANT Since 8-6-2008
Brookford (Mayor to Nominate)	VACANT Since 6-2006
Catawba County (Mayor to Nominate)	VACANT

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

(Appointed by Mayor with the Concurrence of City Council)

(8) Positions VACANT

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
At-Large Minority VACANT

PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
Ward 3 VACANT
At-Large (Mayor Nominates) VACANT Mylinda Strittmatter resigned 9-8-2015

RECYCLING ADVISORY BOARD

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 3-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)
Ward 3 VACANT

YOUTH COUNCIL

(Terms Expiring 6-30; 1-Year Terms) (Appointed by City Council)

Hickory Career Arts Magnet VACANT

C. Presentation of Petitions and Requests

XII. Matters Not on Agenda (requires majority vote of Council to consider)

XIII. General Comments by Members of Council, City Manager or City Attorney of a Non-Business Nature

Mayor Wright commented that we can all be thankful that the Legislature is out of session, and also we dodged the rain. He commented about what the people in Columbia have been going through and what they will go through. He advised that Oktoberfest was this weekend, and recommended it, and that there was a Lenoir-Rhyne home game this weekend against Faith University. He commented about Lenoir-Rhyne's huge win on Saturday against Carson-Newman, which is always the toughest team in the conference. He encouraged citizens to attend the ballgame on Saturday, and to also attend the Oktoberfest, and have a big funnel cake.

Alderman Seaver advised that it was also Hickory High's homecoming this weekend.

City Attorney John Crone teased Alderman Meisner about when he attended Lenoir-Rhyne, and they wore leather helmets. He asked if Carson-Newman beat Lenoir-Rhyne back in those days.

Alderman Meisner commented yes they did.

Alderman Seaver shared a story about a student going into Hickory High dressed like a chicken. He commented that it was a homecoming activity. He said that traffic was stopped in front of the school because people were taking pictures of the chicken crossing the road.

Alderman Meisner advised that Hickory High's Girls Volleyball team is undefeated. They beat the number one team in the State last Saturday.

Mayor Wright commented that the meetings are not normally this easy.

City Manager Mick Berry advised that Staff had been working Council hard in workshops, and special meetings.

Mayor Wright commented about the City's audit and advised that it was a good audit. Staff, once again, had done a wonderful job. He commented that the numbers turned out okay. We will have challenges to face next year and future years with the devaluation, and with the loss of the privilege license. We are going into those things in as strong of a position as anybody in the State.

XIV. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk



Exhibit VIII.A.
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Office of the Mayor

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS the City of Hickory is a community which acknowledges that a special vibrancy exists within the entire community when its individual citizens collectively “go the extra mile” in personal effort, volunteerism, and service; and

WHEREAS the City of Hickory is a community which encourages its citizens to maximize their personal contribution to the community by giving of themselves wholeheartedly and with total effort, commitment, and conviction to their individual ambitions, family, friends, and community; and

WHEREAS the City of Hickory is a community which chooses to shine a light on and celebrate individuals and organizations within its community who “go the extra mile” in order to make a difference and lift up fellow members of their community; and

WHEREAS the City of Hickory acknowledges the mission of Extra Mile America to create 550 Extra Mile cities in America and is proud to support “Extra Mile Day” on November 1, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Rudy Wright Mayor of Hickory, North Carolina, on behalf of Hickory City Council, do hereby proclaim November 1, 2015 as

Extra Mile Day

I urge each individual in the community to take time on this day to not only “go the extra mile” in his or her own life, but to also acknowledge all those who are inspirational in their efforts and commitment to make their organizations, families, community, country, or world a better place.

In witness hereof, I hereunto set my hand this 20th day of October, 2015.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rudy Wright".

Rudy Wright, Mayor



Exhibit VIII.B.
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS communities across America have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with illicit drug use and those that traffic in them; and

WHEREAS there is hope in winning the war on drugs, and that hope lies in education and drug demand reduction, coupled with the hard work and determination of organizations such as the General Nathaniel Greene Young Marines of the Marine Corps League to foster a healthy, drug-free lifestyle; and

WHEREAS governments and community leaders know that citizen support is one of the most effective tools in the effort to reduce the use of illicit drugs in our communities; and

WHEREAS the red ribbon has been chosen as a symbol commemorating the work of Enrique' "KiKi" Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration Special Agent who was murdered in the line of duty, and represents the belief that one person can make a difference; and

WHEREAS the Red Ribbon Campaign was established by Congress in 1988 to encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention and reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS October 23-31 has been designated National Red Ribbon Week, which encourages Americans to wear a red ribbon to show their support for a drug-free environment.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Rudy Wright, Mayor of Hickory, North Carolina, on behalf of Hickory City Council, do hereby proclaim October 23rd -31st, 2015, as

RED RIBBON WEEK

In the City of Hickory, and urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

In witness hereof, I hereunto set my hand this 20th day of October, 2015.

Rudy Wright, Mayor

COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

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To: City Manager's Office
From: Police Department/Chief Tom Adkins
Contact Person: Lisa Drum
Date: September 30, 2015
Re: Request to Lease home at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory, NC

REQUEST: Hickory Police Department requests approval to lease the property at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory, NC, to Jamie Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey. The lease will be for one year beginning November 1, 2015.

BACKGROUND: Hickory Police Department purchased the property in 2010 after the property became vacant and was a foreclosure. The tax value at the time was \$80,600 and was purchased for \$25,900. The property is adjacent to the current 6.18 acres of the City of Hickory and would provide necessary land for any future expansion of the Police Department.

ANALYSIS:

Hickory Police Department purchased and renovated the property at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory, NC. The property has three bedrooms, two baths, stove, refrigerator, and microwave. Monies will be placed in the General Fund. The tenant will be responsible for all utilities.

RECOMMENDATION:

Hickory Police Department recommends leasing property located at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory, NC, to Jamie Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey in the amount of \$600.00 per month beginning November 1, 2015.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

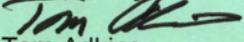
Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

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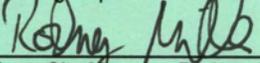
Reviewed by:


Tom Adkins
Initiating Department Head

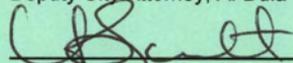
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Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

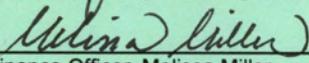
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Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

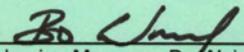
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Finance Officer, Melissa Miller

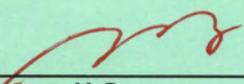
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Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

10-12-15
Date

Date

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).


City Manager, M. Berry

Date

RENTAL AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT made this 1st Day of November, 2015, by and between City of Hickory Police Department, herein called "Landlord," and Jamie Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey, herein called "Tenant." Landlord hereby agrees to rent to Tenant the dwelling located at 304 3rd Street SW, Hickory, NC under the following terms and conditions.

1. This agreement stipulates that Jamie Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey will move in November 1, 2015. The continued occupancy is contingent up City Council's approval of the lease. Should Council fail to approve the lease agreement, Janine Reed and Christopher Martin Stevey will vacate the property by November 30, 2015.
2. **FIXED-TERM AGREEMENT (LEASE):**
Tenants agree to lease this dwelling for a fixed term of one year, beginning November 1, 2015 and ending October 31, 2016. Upon expiration, this Agreement shall become a month-to-month agreement AUTOMATICALLY, UNLESS either Tenants or Owners notify the other party in writing at least 30 days prior to expiration that they do not wish this Agreement to continue on any basis.
3. **RENT:**
Tenant agrees to pay Landlord as base rent the sum of \$ 600.00 per month, due and payable monthly in advance on the 1st day of each month during the term of this agreement. The first month's rent is required to be submitted on or before move-in.
4. **FORM OF PAYMENT:**
Tenants agree to pay their rent in the form of a personal check, a cashier's check, or a money order made out to the Landlord.
5. **RENT PAYMENT PROCEDURE:**
Tenants agree to pay their rent by mail addressed to the Landlord (replace this with landlord's mailing address) 347 2nd Avenue SW, Hickory, NC 28602, or in person at the same address, or in such other way as the Landlord will advise the Tenant in writing.
6. **RENT DUE DATE:**
Tenant hereby acknowledges that late payment will cause Landlord to incur costs not contemplated by this Rental Agreement. We allow for a 3 day grace period. In the event rent is not received prior to the 10th of the month, Tenant agrees to pay a \$25 late fee,. Neither ill health, loss of job, financial emergency, or other excuses will be accepted for late payment.
7. **BAD-CHECK SERVICING CHARGE:**
In the event Tenant's check is dishonored and returned unpaid for any reason to Landlord, Tenant agrees to pay a returned check charge of \$25 AND accept whatever consequences there might be in making a late payment. If for any reason a check is returned or dishonored, all future rent payments will be cash or money order.
8. **SECURITY DEPOSIT:**
Tenants hereby agree to pay a security deposit of \$ 600.00 to be refunded upon vacating, returning the keys to the Landlord and termination of this contract according to other terms herein agreed. This deposit will be held to cover any possible damage to the property. No interest will be paid on this money and in no case will it be applied to back or future rent. It will be held intact by Landlord until at least thirty (30) working days after Tenants have vacated the property. At that time Landlord will inspect the premises thoroughly and assess any damages and/or needed repairs. This deposit money minus any necessary charges for missing/dead light bulbs, fixtures, repairs, cleaning, etc., will then be returned to Tenant with a written explanation of deductions, within 60 days after they have vacated the property.
9. **REMOVAL OF LANDLORD'S PROPERTY:**

If anyone removes any property including light fixtures belonging to Landlord without the express written consent of the Landlord, this will constitute abandonment and surrender of the premises by Tenant and termination by them of this Rental Agreement. Landlord may also take further legal action.

10. CHANGES IN TERMS OF TENANCY:

(This paragraph applies only when this Agreement is or has become a month-to-month agreement).
Owners shall advise Tenants of any changes in terms of tenancy with advance notice of at least thirty (30) days. Changes may include notices of termination, rent adjustments, or other reasonable changes in the terms of this Agreement.

11. TENANT COOPERATION:

Tenant agrees to cooperate with the Landlord is showing property to prospective tenants, prior to termination of occupancy.

12. TENANT INSURANCE:

Landlord will not be liable for any loss of Tenant's property. Tenant hereby acknowledges this and agrees to make no such claims for any losses or damages against Landlord, his agents, or employees. Tenants agree to purchase insurance – at their own expense – sufficient to protect themselves and their property from fire, theft, burglary, breakage, electrical connections. They acknowledge that if they fail to procure such insurance, it is their responsibility and they alone shall bear the consequences.

13. ABANDONMENT:

If Tenants leave the premises unoccupied for 15 days without paying rent in advance for that month, or while owing any back rent from previous months, which have remained unpaid, the Landlord and/or his representatives have the right to take immediate possession of the property and to bar the Resident from returning. Landlord will also have the right to remove any property that the Residents have left behind and store it at the Tenant's expense.

14. LOCK POLICY:

No additional locks will be installed on any door without the written permission of Landlord. Landlord will be given duplicate keys for all locks so installed at tenants' expense, before they are installed.

15. LOCKOUTS:

Should tenants lock themselves out of their dwelling and be unable to gain access through their own resources, they may call upon professional locksmith or the Owners to let them in. In either case, they are responsible for payment of the charges and/or damages involved. Owners charge a fee of \$15 for providing this service between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, excepting holidays, and a fee of \$25 for all other times. This fee is due and payable when the service is provided.

16. CONDITION OF PREMISES:

The Tenants hereby acknowledge that the said property is in good condition. If there is anything about the condition of the property that is not good, they agree to report it to the Landlord within 3 days of taking possession of the property. They agree that failure to file any written notice of defects will be legally binding proof that the property is in good condition at the time of occupancy.

17. INVENTORY AND INSPECTION RECORD:

An inventory and inspection Record has been provided for the Tenants' use. Only after this has been filled out (within the 3-day time limit) will the Landlord take any action to complete necessary repairs. Landlord warrants that all major systems will be functional and in good repair at the time of possession. Light switches, wall plugs, doors, windows, faucets, drains, locks, toilets, sinks, etc. will either be in working order or will be repaired once the Tenants have completed the Inspection and Inventory Record. Tenants are encouraged to report any necessary repairs, no matter how slight, in writing, but they are advised that Landlord does not normally repair or replace nonfunctional items such as paint, carpets, etc., every time a property changes possession. Those items are scheduled for repair/replacement at regular intervals regardless of tenant turnover.

18. TENANT RESPONSIBILITY:

Good housekeeping is expected of everyone. Tenant agrees to keep quarters clean and in a sanitary condition. The Tenants agree not to permit any deterioration or destruction to occur while they are occupying the property. The tenant will keep the exterior of the home in a clean and sanitary condition with the landscape and all exterior home surroundings.

19. ALTERATIONS:

Tenant shall make no alterations, decorations, additions, or improvements in or to the premises without Landlords' prior written consent, and then only by contractors or mechanics, or other approved by Landlord. All alterations, additions, or improvements upon the premises, made by either party, shall become the property of the Landlord and shall remain upon, and be surrendered with said premises, as a part thereof, at the end of the term hereof.

They acknowledge that they will be responsible for and pay any damage done by rain, wind, hail, tornadoes, etc., if this damage is caused by leaving windows open, allowing stoppage and/or overflow or water and/or sewage pipes, broken windows or doors, torn screens, broken door and window locks, etc. or any damage caused while Tenant has occupancy.

20. UTILITIES:

Resident will be responsible for payment of all utilities, telephone, gas, water, or other bills incurred during their residency. They specifically authorize Landlord to deduct amounts of unpaid bills from their Security Deposits in the event they remain unpaid after termination of this agreement. The Landlord/Owner agrees to only pay water, garbage, and sewer bills.

Tenant shall be responsible for the following utilities and services in connection with the Premises:

- Electricity
- Gas
- Heating
- Telephone
- Water
- Sewer
- All other utilities and services not listed under the Landlords responsibility

Tenant acknowledges that Landlord has fully explained to the Tenant the utility rates, charges and services for which Tenant will be required to pay (if any), other than those to be paid directly to the utility company furnishing the service.

21. NOTIFICATION OF SERIOUS BUILDING PROBLEMS:

Tenant agrees to notify Landlord immediately if roof leaks, water spots appear on ceiling, or at the first sign of termite activity. Tenants also agree to notify the Owners immediately upon first discovering any signs of serious building problems such as foundation cracks, a tilting porch, a crack in plaster, buckling drywall or siding, a spongy floor, a leaky water heater, etc. If the tenant does not notify landlord in a prompt matter the tenant may be held financially responsible.

22. REASONABLE TIME FOR REPAIRS:

Upon being notified by Tenants that there is some building defect in which is hazardous to health, life, or safety, Owners shall undertake repairs as soon as possible. Should there be a delay of more than seventy-two (72) hours in making repairs, due to difficulty in scheduling the work or obtaining parts or for any other reason beyond the Owners' control, Owners agree to keep Tenants informed about the progress of work.

23. DRAIN STOPPAGES:

As of the date of this Agreement, Owners warrant that the dwelling's sewage drains are in good working order and that they will accept the normal household waste for which they were designed. They will not accept things such as diapers, sanitary napkins, tampons, children's toys, wads of toilet paper, balls of hair, grease, oil, table scraps, clothing, rags, sand, dirt, rocks, or newspapers. Tenants agree to pay for clearing the drains of any and all stoppages except those which the plumber who is called to clear the stoppage will attest in writing were caused by defective plumbing, tree roots, or acts of God. Please use a drain filter to save unnecessary time & money with repairs.

24. BACKYARD & GARDENS:

The Tenants agree to never use any form of pesticides (including rat poison, roach sprays, etc), or fertilizers unless written permission is granted from the Landlord.

25. REPAIRS:

All repairs will be completed by the Landlord.

26. ACCESS TO PREMISES:

The Owner reserves the right to enter the residence at reasonable times to inspect, make necessary repairs, supply services, or show it to prospective residents, purchasers, workmen, or contractors. Whenever practicable, a two-day notice of the Owner's intent to enter shall be given to the Resident.

27. SUBLETTING & ASSIGNMENT:

Tenants shall not sublet the entire premises or any part of the premises, nor shall they assign this Agreement to anyone else without first obtaining Landlords' written permission. Prospective sub lessees or assignees must submit an application to the Landlord and must agree to credit, background, reference, and employment verification as well as the obligation to pay a non-refundable \$25 application fee. Permission to sublease will be determined by the sole discretion of the Landlord.

28. PETS:

Pets are allowed on the premises only by obtaining the Landlords' written permission first. When possession of the property is given to the Tenant, only those pets listed on the Rental Application will be allowed unless subsequent written permission has been granted. "Pets" does not include animals trained to serve the handicapped, such as seeing-eye dogs, hearing dogs, or service dogs. These animals may be housed on the premises so long as they are in the direct service of those they were trained to serve and so long as Landlord is notified in advance in writing of the circumstances. In any case, when permission is granted, owners are required to pay an additional \$25 per month pet-rent charge for one or more. Pets are limited to one cat or one dog. Domestic animals only are allowed at the rental property. No reptiles will be allowed.

If problems with pets occur there are several ways it may be handled depending on the events. If the pet is anyway dangerous it will not be allowed on the premises. In the event of the owner being negligent in regards to clean-up or allowing access to areas that the pet could damage the tenant will be fined or money will be taken from the deposit. If the pet is a nuisance in anyway the landlord may make suggestions to how the pet is cared for or may require the tenant to attend a training course to be approved by the landlord.

Pets are never to be allowed in the yard unsupervised. Cleaning up after the pet is necessary immediately following defecation. Constant barking will not be permitted.

29. TERMINATION UPON SALE OF PREMISES. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Lease, Landlord may terminate this lease upon 45 days written notice to Tenant that the Premises have been sold.**30. WAIVER:**

All rights given to Landlord by this agreement shall be cumulative in addition to any laws which exist or might come into being. Any exercise of any rights by Landlord or failure to exercise rights shall not act as waiver of those or any other rights. No statement or promise by Landlord, its agents, or employees, as to tenancy, repairs, amount of rent to be paid, or other terms and conditions shall be binding unless it is put in writing and made a specific part of this agreement.

31. TERMS:

In this agreement the singular number where used will include the plural, the masculine gender will include the feminine, the term Owner will include Landlord, Lessor; and the term Resident will include Tenant, Lessee.

32. FULL DISCLOSURE:

The Tenants signing this Rental Contract hereby state that all questions about this Rental Agreement have been answered, that they fully understand all the provisions of the agreement and the obligations

and responsibilities of each party, as spelled out herein. They further state that they agree to fulfill their obligations in every respect or suffer the full legal and financial consequences of their actions or lack of action in violation of this agreement. Signature by the Tenant on this Rental Agreement is acknowledgement and he/she has received a signed copy of the Rental Agreement.

33. **DISTURBANCES AND VIOLATION OF LAWS:**

Tenant, guests and invitees of either tenant or guests shall not use the premises for any unlawful purpose and shall comply fully with all applicable federal, state and local laws and ordinances, including laws prohibiting the use, possession or sale of illegal drugs. Nor shall Tenant, guests and invitees of either tenant or guests use the premises in a manner offensive to others. Nor shall Tenant, guests and invitees of either tenant or guests create a nuisance by annoying, disturbing, inconveniencing or interfering with the quiet enjoyment of any other tenant or nearby resident. Tenant agrees to immediately inform Landlord and the appropriate authorities upon obtaining actual knowledge of any illegal acts on or upon the leased premises. A violation of this provision shall be grounds for automatic termination of the lease agreement and tenants will be required to immediately vacate the premises.

Accepted this _____ day of _____, 20 ____ .

Tenant

Date

Tenant

Date

Landlord-Manager

Date

Approved as to form



City of Hickory – Legal Dept.

Re-submit 3/16/15.

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City of Hickory
 PO Box 398
 Hickory, NC 28603
 Telephone
 828-323-7410
 Fax 828-323-7474

City of Hickory
Special Events/Activities Application
 (Must be submitted to Planning & Development)

SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION
PRIVATE PROPERTY EVENTS

The purpose of this application is to provide information about your event or activity in order for various departments and agencies to determine if they need to be involved in the approval and/or permitting process. Depending on the specific event, a permit application and/or fee(s) from individual departments may be required.

The applicant is responsible for providing complete and accurate information on the application, including an attached detailed site plan. The applicant is also responsible for notifying the Planning Department of any changes. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. **A complete application should be submitted at least 30 days prior to the planned event to allow sufficient review time. Public officials may contact you with specific questions. Any official may require a pre-planning meeting.

Applications and events are prioritized based on a first come-first served basis and the City may approve or disapprove an event's requested date based on availability of resources. Events that occur on an annual basis will receive priority the following year.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of Event: 2015 Walk to End Alzheimer's
 Applicant Name & Title: Meghan Lawton, Regional Mgr
 Organization: Alzheimer's Association of WNC
 Mailing (Billing) Address: PO Box 2565
 City / State / Zip: Hickory NC 28603
 Daytime Phone: 514 3124 Cell: 514 2291 Email: mlawton@alz.org
 Description of the Event: Fundraising Awareness Event, Non-Compete

Does the event have a Twitter, Myspace, Facebook or other social networking page? _____

If yes, please list URL(s): _____

Event Address: <u>Crawdad's Stadium/Park</u>	
Date of Event: <u>10/3/2015 10/31/2015</u>	
Event Start Time: <u>9am</u>	Event End Time: <u>1pm</u>
Road Closure Begins (if applicable): <u>N/A</u>	Road Closure Ends (if applicable):
Set-Up Begins: <u>9am</u>	Clean-Up Ends: <u>1pm</u>
Preferred Date & Time of Inspection (if applicable): <u>N/A</u>	
Estimated Attendance: <u>700 (includes volunteers + staff)</u>	
The Event is: <input type="checkbox"/> Private (by invitation only) or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open to General Public	
Describe the procedures to be used for selecting participants and vendors for this event: <u>N/A</u>	

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE Meg Lawton DATE: 2/16/15

A pre-planning meeting may be required and will be scheduled to include the appropriate staff. The event applicant must attend the meeting. The city reserves the right to require others to attend.

TENTS & MEMBRANE STRUCTURES

**** Tent is a structure, enclosure, or shelter, with or without sidewalls or drops ****

Will tent(s) be used for the event? Yes No (If no, proceed to next section)

of Tent(s) _____ (fabric structure that is ENCLOSED with sidewalls or drops exceeding 400 square feet)

of Tent(s) _____ (fabric structure that is OPEN on all sides exceeding 700 square feet)

Are there multiple tents without sidewalls placed side by side such that the total square footage of all the tents in this group exceeds 700 square feet without 12 feet of clear space between all other permanent and temporary structures? Yes No

**** Membrane structure is an air-inflated or air supported structure ****

Will Membrane(s) be used for the event? Yes No (If no, proceed to next section)

of Membrane Structure(s) _____ exceeding 400 square feet

POWER SOURCES

Will you use electric generators? Yes No

If yes, will Power Distribution boxes be used? Yes No

Provide contact information for contractor supplying generator power:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Will you use electric power from an existing structure? Yes No

If yes, will direct wiring to breakers be required? Yes No

Provide contact information for person responsible for setup of power:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

VOICE/MUSIC AMPLICATION

Are there any musical entertainment features related to your event? Yes No
(If no proceed to next section)

If yes, state the number of bands and type of music: Number of bands: 0

Type(s) of music: DJ

Will a portable or temporary stage be utilized? Yes No

If yes*, state the number of portable or temporary stages: _____

Provide contact information for contractor providing stage:

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

A Temporary Stage Certification Form must be completed for Catawba County Building Services

Will your event use amplified sound? Yes No DJ

If yes, please indicate times: Start time: 9am Finish time: 12³⁰pm

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Will the event have any hazardous materials such as propane, butane, gasoline, diesel tanks, helium cylinders or other upright tanks? Yes No
If yes, all tanks must be secured in a manner to prevent accidentally being knocked over. All helium tanks not being used shall have their caps in place.

Will there be any portable heaters? Yes No

Will there be any deep fat fryers? Yes No

Will there be any fireworks, lasers, torches, candles or pyrotechnics? Yes No
If yes, contact the City of Hickory Fire Prevention office at 828-323-7522 for more information.

ALCOHOL

Will alcoholic beverages be served? Yes No (If yes, NC ABC permit required)

Will alcoholic beverages be sold? Yes No (If yes, NC ABC permit required)

What type of alcohol will be served?
 Draft Beer Can/Bottle Beer Wine Liquor

Who will be serving the alcohol?

Times for alcohol to be served:

Locations within event site where alcohol will be served:

Have you applied for a North Carolina temporary ABC permit? Yes No

VENDORS

List all commercial vendors who will be present during the event (serving, selling, sampling, or displaying).
 Vendors are required to obtain a city privilege license. (Use additional sheet of paper if necessary)

VENDOR NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER(S)

Does the event include mechanical rides, or other similar attractions? Yes No
 If yes, please describe attractions:

Applicants contracting with amusement ride companies are required to provide the City of Hickory with a certificate of insurance, naming applicant and the City of Hickory (if applicable) as additional insured on general liability.

VENDORS

Does the event include food vendors? Yes No

If the event will have food vendors, please check the following that apply:
 Served Sold Free Catered Prepared Outdoors
An applicant having any food service must contact the Catawba County Health Department at (828) 465-8270 for approval of any food preparation or service.

Does the event include food concession and/or cooking areas? Yes No

If yes, please list each vendor and specify cooking method (Gas, Electric, Charcoal, Other)
(Use additional sheet if necessary)

VENDOR	COOKING METHOD	FOOD ITEM

Fire Code requires a fire extinguisher at each cooking location. Food and beverages shall not be sold at an event unless approved and licensed, if necessary, by the Catawba County Health Department. Event organizers are responsible for arranging health inspections for their events.

EVENT SCHEDULE

Provide a detailed schedule of the event including dates and times for entertainment, activities, hours of event, start time, finish time, etc. If the event requires an extended time frame for set-up, include details with a timeline listing the times and locations where streets or public property will be impacted and when dismantling will be completed. (Use additional sheet of paper if necessary)

10/31

DATE	TIME	ACTION	ADDITIONAL NOTES
10/31	7am	Set-up	
	9am	Open Check-in; DJ begins	
	10am	Opening Ceremony	
	10 ³⁰ am	Walk Begins	
	12pm	Closing Ceremony Awards	
	12 ⁵⁰ pm	Clean-up	

CITY SERVICES

The City of Hickory does not provide amenities such as portable washrooms, sound systems, tables, chairs, tents, canopies or other equipment. The applicant is responsible for arranging and providing services such as solid waste, wastewater, event clean up, traffic control, etc.

<p>ROLLOUT CARTS</p> <p>In order to determine what types of containers best suit the needs of the event, please answer the following questions:</p> <p>Will the event be serving/selling/distributing beverages? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <u>Free H₂O</u></p> <p>If yes, in what containers will they come packaged in? <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum cans <input type="checkbox"/> Glass bottles/jars <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plastic <u>bottles</u> jugs/jars</p> <p>How many rollout carts are you requesting for trash? <u>N/A</u></p> <p>How many recycle carts are you requesting? <u>N/A</u> } <u>Crawdads' Provide</u></p> <p>Delivery Location?</p> <p>Date and Time for rollout carts to be emptied/picked up?</p> <p><i>Applicants are responsible for cleaning and restoring the site after the event. Please pick up all trash including paper, plastic, bottles, cans and event marketing signs. The cost of any employee overtime incurred because of an applicant's failure to clean and/or restore the site following the event will be borne by the applicant. If you reasonably believe that no litter will be generated during your event, please state this in your plan.</i></p>
<p>PUBLIC PROPERTY CLEAN-UP</p> <p>Contracted personnel or volunteers may be used if indicated below. What is the clean-up plan for the event?</p> <p>Will the event need City personnel to assist with event site clean-up? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Date & Time for clean-up staff arrival:</p> <p>Will any of the following services be used for the event: <input type="checkbox"/> Water Service <input type="checkbox"/> Wastewater Service <input type="checkbox"/> Portable Toilet Service</p>
<p>SAFETY AND SECURITY (CHECK TYPES OF SECURITY USED)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Beer/Alcohol Security <input type="checkbox"/> Stage Security <input type="checkbox"/> Event Area Security <input type="checkbox"/> Gate Security</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Road Closure Security <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Money Handling Security <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Overnight Security From _____ To _____</p> <p>Dates & Times security will be on site: <u>10/31</u> <u>845am - 1230pm</u></p> <p>Security provided by: <u>Hickory PD</u> Number of Security Personnel: <u>1</u></p> <p><i>Applicant may be required to hire sworn off-duty City of Hickory police officers to provide security to insure public safety. The Hickory Police Department will determine the number of security personnel required on site.</i></p>

SITE PLAN

Provide a detailed Site-Plan sketch of the event. Include maps, outline or diagram of the entire event venue including the names of all streets or areas that are part of the venue and the surrounding area. The plan should include the following information (if applicable):

- Location of the event/activity on the property with approximate distances from roads, fire hydrants, existing buildings, etc.
- Location of temporary structures that will be used during the event. Must indicate size of temporary structures, distances between temporary structures and existing buildings.
- Identify how each temporary structure will be used. Example: type of vendor, food preparation, alcohol sales, etc.
- Identify location of all cooking devices and open flames.
- Location of all fencing, barricades, or other restrictions that will impair access to and from the event or property.
- Identify all designated parking areas.
- Identify location of any generators and fuel storage.

SITE PLAN SKETCH

- Registration Set Up and Closing Ceremony will take place inside the stadium.
- Access to parks will NOT be limited.
- Parking will be contained w/in the stadium parking

MAP ATTACHED!

Special Events on Public Roadways, City Parks, and Airport

Walk, Run, Cycle events on Public Roadways

Name of Event: 2015 Walk to End Alzheimer's
 Proposed Date of Event: October 3, 2015 October 31, 2015
 Number of participants expected: 600 % of participants expected under 18: 10%
 *Must be at least 100 participants and no more than 2,000 per route.
 Number of volunteers expected: 55 % of volunteers expected under 18: 0

Check the approved City/NCDOT Route on public roadways below

- 5K 1 Downtown 5k (Not allowed on Saturdays during the Downtown Hickory Farmers Market)
- 5K 2 Hickory Foundation YMCA (Can start and finish in Downtown District or other locations on route)
- 5K 3 FRMC 5K (Can start and finish in Downtown District or other locations on route)
- 5K 4 Neill Clark Park 5k (Must call Parks and Recreation to get OK prior to submitting Special Event application. Approval from Mack McLeod mmcleod@hickorync.gov or 828-322-7046)
- 5K 5 Winkler Park 5k (Must call Parks and Recreation and Hickory Crawdads to get OK prior to submitting Special Event application. Approval from Mack McLeod 828-322-7046 or mmcleod@hickorync.gov and Hickory Crawdads Mark Seaman 828-322-3000 or mseaman@hickorycrawdads.com)
- 5K 6 LRU 5K (Must clear route with LRU before submitting Special Event application. (Can start and finish in various locations, including First Methodist Church)
- 10K 1 Hickory Foundation YMCA (Can start and finish in Downtown District)
- 10K 2 Do a 5k route twice, which 5k route? _____
- Half Marathon 1 (13.1 miles)
- Cycle Route 1 (10 mile)
- Cycle Route 2 (32 mile)
- Cycle Route 3 (55 mile)

*Audited-
All Map
(Sidewalks)*

Approved routes/events at the airport and public parks

___ Hickory Regional Airport 5k ___ Approval from Airport Manager Terry Clark
(2015 dates ___ April 18 ___ May 16 ___ June 20 ___ July 18 ___ October 17)

*The first and fourth Saturdays have existing events in the morning hours. If you have another date that is not listed above and not the first and fourth Saturday in the morning, check with Airport Manager Terry Clark on availability. Name the new date proposed and time: _____

___ Hickory City Park to Geitner-Rotary Park 5k via paved greenway
___ Approval from Parks and Recreation Director Mack McLeod

___ Henry Fork River Regional Recreation Park
___ Approval from Parks and Recreation Director Mack McLeod

___ Neill W. Clark Jr. Recreation Park - **Event within park, could be different activities on fields**
___ Approval from Parks and Recreation Director Mack McLeod

___ Highland Recreation Center at Stanford Park Options
___ 3.2 option ___ 3.1 option ___ 4.5 option - **All options along sidewalks**

Additional Guidelines and Requirements

- Must use a preapproved route from the City/NCDOT and/or preapproved neighborhood route. and/or track or one of the options not on roadways that are available at the airport or at a park.
- Must include a copy of liability insurance for walk, run, and/or cycle event.
- Must include a plan for volunteers (how many, their duties).
- Must include a parking plan for participants and volunteers.
- The provision of twenty foot (20') minimum emergency access lanes throughout the event site.
- Temporary signs may be used to mark a course. No markings are allowed on roadways or sidewalks.
- Any unauthorized traffic control device or other sign or message placed on the highway right-of-way by a private organization or individual constitutes a public nuisance and should be removed. Any violations of this policy will result in disapproval of future event(s).

DO NOT ASSUME, ADVERTISE, OR PROMOTE YOUR EVENT UNTIL YOU HAVE A SIGNED PERMIT FROM THE HICKORY POLICE DEPARTMENT, ALONG WITH PERMISSION FROM CITY STAFF AND HICKORY CITY COUNCIL. CONFLICTS DO ARISE AND CHANGES TO THE REQUEST MAY BE NECESSARY.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: mg fauon DATE: 10/3/15

2015 WTEA ROUTE



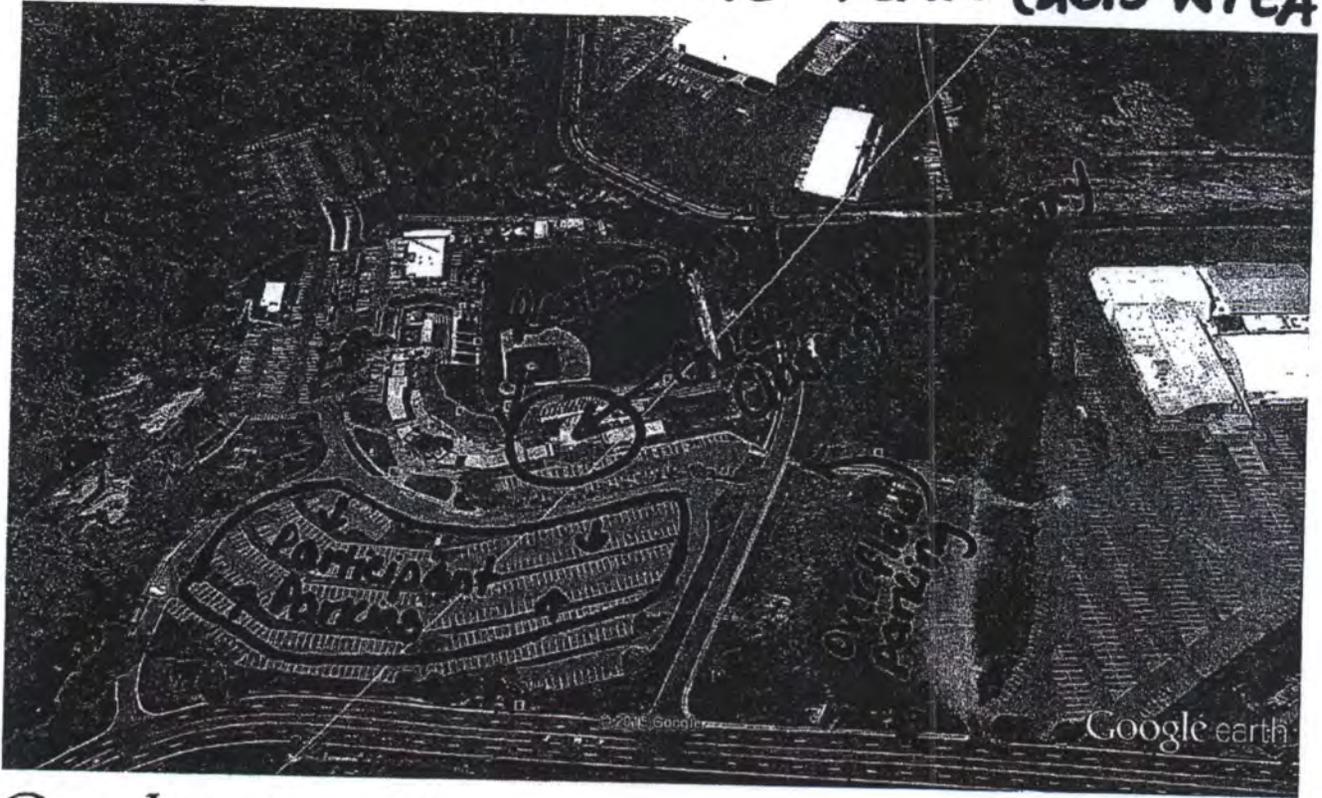
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- START @ Office Parking Lot.
- (L) onto Road, up hill and around Pepsi.
- Return back down hill and (R) into Parking.
- Remain on outer Parking Rows, down the drive
- (L) towards Park. Follow to the end, round the lot and follow to the Clubhouse.
- Enter Stadium and make 1 lap.

PRE|POST EVENT SITE PLAN (2015 WTEA)



Google earth



WTEA HKY 2015
 scanned 3/31/2015

USE OF UNION SQUARE AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES

**** THIS SECTION IS ONLY TO BE COMPLETED IF REQUESTING TO HOLD AN EVENT ON UNION SQUARE COMMON, STREETS ADJOINING THERETO OR OTHER PUBLIC PLACES AND PARKS ****

RULES REGULATING THE USE OF UNION SQUARE COMMON, STREETS ADJOINING THERETO AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES AND PARKS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

- Special events may be held in one or more of the following areas:
 - Union Square Common, north of the Southern Railway tracks, east of Third Street, NW, and west of Second Street, NW.
 - Streets adjoining Union Square, including Third Street, NW, between the Southern Railway tracks and the northern margin of First Avenue, NW; First Avenue, NW between Third Street, NW and Second Street, NW; Second Street, NW from the Southern Railway tracks to the northern margin of First Avenue, NW; and Trade Alley.
 - Any other public building, park or property owned or possessed by the City of Hickory which, by its nature, is suitable for any certain special event that may be applied for, provided that said event remains open to the public at large.
- The City Council reserves the right to reject any application as to the use of any area described above for any special event. If the City Council learns that the event or vendors participating were misrepresented to the City Council or that the event in any way fails to comply with the rules regulating the use of Union Square Common or fails to comply with any applicable local, state, or federal laws, it reserves the right to rescind any approved application up to and during the course of the event. In the case of a special event being held at a City-owned facility for which a rental fee is usually charged, the normal rental fee shall be charged to the applicant unless the City Council waives such rental.
- Application must be filed in the City Manager's Office at least ninety (90) days prior to the time that the applicant desires to first take possession of the area to make preparations for the special event. The applicant for a special event must be a non-profit organization, organized and existing for the purpose of either some charitable or public benefit or for the promotion of business in the Downtown Area of Hickory. In addition, said non-profit organization may at the request of the Council be required to produce evidence of their non-profit corporation status as defined by state and federal laws. In addition, procedures to be used for selecting participants and vendors must be included with the application.
- The applicant shall provide to the City Manager at least two (2) weeks prior to the beginning of the public participation in the special event a list of all of the vendors or others having booths or display tables during the special event. No other persons may sell merchandise or operate any booth or display tables during the special event, unless the applicant, in writing, requests the City Manager to amend such list accordingly and permission is granted.
- No motor vehicles or other large equipment or manufactured items or livestock will be permitted within the area unless they are clearly identified and described and the proposed location is stated in the application and specific approval is given.
- The size, type of construction and location of display tables and booths must be described generally in the application; all construction must be safe and self-sustaining; no spikes or other holding devices may be driven into the ground of any street, sidewalk or tied to any tree.
- When food preparation, painting and/or pottery -making activities or similar activities are held, appropriate protective materials must be placed over any paved or brick areas for protection.

- No tents may be placed in the area without being described and exhibited to the Fire Prevention Inspectors of the Hickory Fire Department and special approval by the City Council.
- Public address systems can be used only if specifically requested in the application and special permission given, including limitations as to use.
- Sufficient portable toilets shall be provided for the expected number of participants.
- A first-aid station shall be provided, staffed by competent Emergency Medical Technicians, unless a waiver is requested and granted by the City.
- The applicant shall be responsible for providing trash receptacles of the number and size as the city shall require in order to eliminate litter.
- If the applicant desires to sell alcoholic beverages, it shall specifically so state in its application and shall provide a sketch of the area where the same will be sold and consumed. The area shall be delineated by barricades, with the entrance to be clearly marked and so constructed as to allow ready control of patrons, including viewing of identification to avoid underage persons being within the barricaded area. Signs shall be posted stating that no one shall leave the barricaded area with alcoholic beverages.
- Application must be made to proper State authorities for special permit for sale of alcoholic beverages. Special permit shall be available for inspection by the City at any time.
- The applicant shall assume full liability for all accidents or claims of accidents as a result of activities taking place at the special event and during the time the area is being readied for the event and while it is being cleaned up following the event. A copy of the insurance policy must be submitted to the City Manager's office prior to the event. The policy is to be one of comprehensive general liability in the amount of not less than Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) for bodily injury per person and One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence and not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars (100,000.00) for property damage per occurrence.
- The applicant will be responsible for the security or protection of any articles, items, merchandise, display tables, booths or other property owned by the applicant or others participating in the special event.
- Applicants must obtain any special use permits required by the Hickory Fire Inspector, must comply with all applicable provisions of the North Carolina Fire Code and must at all times insure that all fire lanes in the area to be used remain unobstructed.
- Applicants must comply with all applicable Health Department regulations pertaining to the scheduled event.
- Applicants must comply with the requirements of the Hickory Sign Ordinance.
- Applications must comply with any and all local, state, and federal laws pertaining to equal opportunity and should make every effort to make events accessible to the disabled public. In addition, applicants shall not deny access or a vendor's booth to any group based on national origin, race, religion, age, sex, or disability.

Alzheimer's Association of Western NC
NAME OF NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE PURPOSE OF THE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION:

see attached

LIST ORGANIZATIONS OFFICERS:

Katherine Lambert - CEO
Mughan Lawton - Regional Mgr

TELEPHONE
704 532 7390
TELEPHONE
928 514 3124
TELEPHONE

CHAIRPERSON OF THE SPECIAL EVENT:

Melissa Welch - Bayada
NAME

928 327 8300
TELEPHONE

1985 Tate Blvd SE Suite 417 (WNC)
ADDRESS Hickory 28602

The undersigned Applicant is aware of the rules regulating the use of Union Square Common, streets adjoining thereto and other public places and parks for special events, and will abide with the same; and further understands that the City of Hickory will not be responsible for the security or protection of any articles, items, merchandise, display tables, booths or other property owned by the applicant or others participating in the special event. The undersigned Applicant agrees to reimburse the City of Hickory for the additional cost of providing police department and/or fire department personnel to supervise the event, including services rendered both before, during and after the event itself, to ensure the compliance with all laws and ordinance, to direct traffic and to promote the safety and welfare of participants and other citizens.

3.31.2015
Date

Mughan Lawton
~~President~~ Reg. Mgr

Non-Profit Organization
Alzheimer's Assoc. of WNC

Approved by: [Signature]
CITY MANAGER

DATE 10/5/15

DATE APPROVED BY HICKORY CITY COUNCIL: _____

NORTH CAROLINA

RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

CATAWBA COUNTY

THIS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, entered into by THE CITY OF HICKORY, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation, party of the first part, and the Alzheimer's Association of WNC, a non-profit organization with its principal place of operation being Catawba County, North Carolina, party of the second part:

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the party of the first part is desirous of allowing the party of the second part to conduct a special event within the City Limits of Hickory, North Carolina, pursuant to the Hickory City Code; and

WHEREAS, the party of the second part is desirous of conducting a special event within the City Limits of Hickory, North Carolina; and

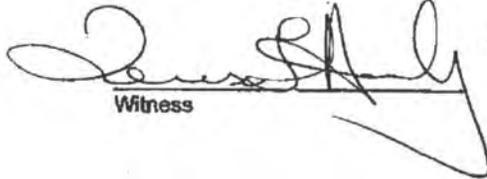
WHEREAS, to this end, said party of the second part has heretofore filed with the City of Hickory an application for approval of said event, and wishes to enter into this Release and Indemnity Agreement pursuant to the Hickory City Code and the administrative rules of the City of Hickory;

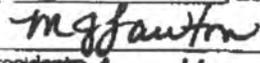
NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein contained, and for other good and sufficient consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

1. That the party of the second part hereby completely and unequivocally releases the party of the first part, the officials of the party of the first part, and all employees of said party of the first part, and their families, from any and all claims, damages, injuries or rights of action which the party of the second part may incur by reason of the special event being conducted by the party of the second part.

2. That the party of the second part hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the party of the first part for any liability, injury or claim which may arise to the benefit of the party of the second part as a result of the special event being conducted by the party of the second part.
3. That the parties to this Release and Indemnity Agreement stipulate and acknowledge that there exists sufficient consideration for the execution of this instrument.

This the 31 day of March, 2015


Witness


President Reg. Mgr.

COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

To: City Manager's Office

From: Dave Leonetti, Community Development Manager

Contact Person: Dave Leonetti, Community Development Manager

Date: October 7, 2015

Re: Citizen's Advisory Committee Recommendations

REQUEST Recommendations for assistance through the City of Hickory's Housing Programs.

BACKGROUND The mission of the City of Hickory's Community Development Division is to preserve the existing housing base, enhance ownership opportunities for all of its citizens to obtain decent housing and provide a quality environment conducive to the safe and healthy growth of its citizenry. The seven member Citizens' Advisory Committee was formed to provide for citizen input in the facilitation of the City's CDBG program, as well as any other similar community enhancement funding the City may receive.

ANALYSIS The following requests were considered by the Citizens' Advisory Committee at their regular meeting on October 1, 2015:

- Raymond Mitchell, 638 3rd Avenue Drive SE, Hickory, was approved for Loan Subordination. The loan for Mr. Mitchell was done under the First-Time Homebuyers Program. The Citizen's Advisory Committee recommended this subordination to help him do a loan modification to lower his monthly payment/interest rate and make it more affordable. He will not be taking any money out for personal use.

Each of the following applicants are being recommended for approval for assistance under the City of Hickory's 2015 Urgent Repair Program. This program provides qualified low income citizens with assistance for emergency-related repairs not to exceed \$8,000.

- Ruth Adams, 117 3rd Avenue SW, Hickory
- Irma Griffin, 529 12th Street SW, Hickory
- Teresa Robinson, 3271 Blue Sky Court, Newton

RECOMMENDATION The Citizens' Advisory Committee recommends approval of the aforementioned requests for assistance through the City of Hickory's housing assistance programs. Dave Leonetti, Community Development Manager, will be in attendance to answer any questions. Additional information that may be required can be discussed in closed session.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

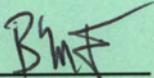
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No

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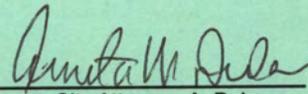
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Brian Frazier



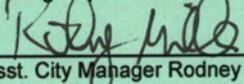
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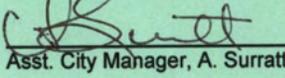

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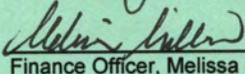


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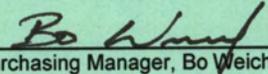

Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

10-15-15
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Finance Officer, Melissa Miller



10-13-15
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Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

10-13-15
Date

Date

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City Manager, M. Berry

Date

To: City Manager's Office
From: Sarah Greene, Library Director
Contact Person: Sarah Greene
Date: 10/9/15
Re: "Food for Fines" Amnesty Weeks at the Library

REQUEST

Approval of the waiver of overdue fines for library customers who donate canned, boxed, or bagged food items at either Patrick Beaver Memorial Library or Ridgeview Branch Library during the two-week period of December 1-15, 2015. One item of food will cancel \$1.00 in overdue fines, and donated items will be given to Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry.

BACKGROUND

The program was successfully carried out in past years, resulting in thousands of items collected to help feed the hungry in our community during the holidays. For the two-week event in December 2014, Hickory Public Library collected a total of 1493 items that were donated to the Greater Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry.

This is the third year in a row that Hickory Public Library and Catawba County Library System will partner to sponsor a "Food for Fines" event during the same period.

The annual event receives strong support from library users, and many donate items whether or not they have fines. The Great Hickory Cooperative Christian Ministry indicated that the food collected at the library helped fill their shelves at a critical time of the year.

ANALYSIS

The amnesty week event creates a sense of goodwill among our customers, helps many of the less fortunate in our community, encourages customers to return long-overdue items making them available for others, and has resulted in positive media coverage of the both library systems in prior years.

RECOMMENDATION

Library staff recommends approval of the annual "Food for Fines" Amnesty Weeks.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

Reviewed by:

[Signature]
Initiating Department Head

10/9/15
Date

[Signature]
Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

10-16-15
Date

[Signature]
Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-14-15
Date

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Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

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[Signature]
City Manager, M. Berry

Date

COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

To: City Manager's Office
From: Matthew S. Hutchinson
Contact Person: Matthew S. Hutchinson
Date: October 7, 2015
Re: Capital Purchase of Structural Turnout Gear

REQUEST

The Fire Department requested the capital purchase of structural firefighting gear for FY15/16. The Fire Department was allocated the capital funds needed for this purchase in the amount of \$385,000.

BACKGROUND

The Fire Department's last purchase of structural firefighting gear for all personnel was in FY09/10. When determining replacement of structural firefighting gear, the Fire Department utilizes the National Fire Protection Association as guidance in the recommended best practices for purchasing and maintaining structural firefighting gear. This protective ensemble protects the firefighter during firefighting, search and rescue situations, auto accidents, and gas leaks while performing daily tasks. The NFPA 1851 Standard on Structural Firefighting Gear Maintenance and Selection suggests that all gear be hydrostatically tested after the third anniversary of an ensemble's build date. Since that time, the fire department has complied with that standard and completed two years of testing with the cost of repairs in excess of \$14,000. We are currently entering into our sixth year of testing. As the ensembles age, these costs will continue to rise, and the repairs will not be cost effective. NFPA 1851 also states that compliance standards for all structural gear requires that the gear can be no older than ten years; and after that time, it must be disposed of and not utilized for firefighting. These factors have prompted the fire department to begin a replacement plan for all structural gear in order to not have any gear reach its end life prior to having a replacement set available.

ANALYSIS

The fire department incorporates the use of an equipment committee made up of full-time personnel. These personnel are tasked with reviewing best practices from across North Carolina and the United States when reviewing tools for apparatus or equipment for the firefighters. They reviewed numerous manufacturers of structural firefighting gear and spoke with many neighboring fire departments to determine the best gear for the fire department. The committee choose the Honeywell/Morning Pride line of structural gear for its build qualities, exceptional protection during fire conditions, and renowned customer service.

In the analysis, local cooperative purchase plans and local government awarded bid contracts were reviewed to see if any could be utilized in meeting the purchasing needs of the fire department. The Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (CCPA) has such a contract established with a local fire department (see attached). The contract is in its third year, and the terms have been extended to all North Carolina fire departments that wish to piggyback on the contract's purchasing agreement with Morning Pride. The fire department will be purchasing 130 complete sets of structural firefighting gear, which includes jacket, pants, boots, gloves, and protective hood. The approximate cost for all the sets will be \$356,000. This cost may increase or decrease depending on the sizing changes that may occur between different personnel.

The Bid Contract has been reviewed by the COH Purchasing Department for validity and was approved for use.

RECOMMENDATION The Fire Department recommends the acceptance of the Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance terms for the purchase of the CIP Structural Firefighting Gear for all personnel.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE: 010-5300-528.36-02

Reviewed by:

C. Fred Hollar
Initiating Department Head

10-7-15
Date

Anita M. Dula
Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

10-16-15
Date

Rodney Miller
Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-14-15
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M. Berry
City Manager M. Berry

Date

REVISED PRICING SHEET

8-31-2011

ITB #269-2011-101

TURNOUT GEAR

ITEM	DESC	CONTRACT TERM			YEAR 1		YEAR 2		YEAR 3		RENEWAL #1		RENEWAL #2	
		COMPLIANT MANUFACTURER NAME / PRODUCT NUMBER	EST QTY	UOM	UNIT COST	EXT COST	UNIT COST	EXT COST	UNIT COST	EXT COST	UNIT COST	EXT COST	UNIT COST	EXT COST
1	Turnout Gear Coat	Globe / D1183-D	115	Ea										
	Turnout Gear Pants	Globe / Y1183-D	115	Ea										
2	Turnout Gear Coat	Morning Pride / LTO4212Black	30	Ea	1,205.00	36,150.00	1,205.00	36,150.00	1,260.00	37,800.00	1,325.00	39,750.00	1,380.00	41,400.00
	Turnout Gear Pants		30	Ea	870.00	26,100.00	870.00	26,100.00	910.00	27,300.00	955.00	28,650.00	995.00	29,850.00

Total Bid Price must include all equipment, labor, delivery, consultation, vendor profit and all other costs associated with this project. No additional cost will be allowed.

Section 6
Required Forms - Form Three

Delivery Lead-Time: 45-60 Days

Pricing Incentives and Rebates: Per Section 4.5.1, identify any incentives and rebates offered based on volume, electronic ordering or other criteria:

Newton's Fire + Safety will offer a 6% Discount from list for other options and models.

Administrative Fees: Per Sections 3.13 and 4.6, the Service Provider shall pay the City of Charlotte ("Lead Public Agency") an administrative fee of 1 % based on all Participating Public Agency sales volumes within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter set forth in the subsequent Contract. **It is the responsibility of the bidder to set the Administrative Fee.**

Reference the Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (CCPA) website at <http://www.charlottealliance.org/>

The City reserves the right to award multiple Contracts for the Products and Services required by this ITB if the Lead Public Agency deems multiple Contracts to be in the City's and other Participating Public Agencies best interest.

Payment Terms: N/30

The undersigned hereby certifies the Bidder has read the terms of this bid document, including the sample contract (Section 7) and is authorized to bind the firm to the information herein set forth.

Date: 9/6/11

Newton's Fire + Safety, Inc
Legal Name of Firm

By: Seth Newton

Seth Newton, Vice President
Name and Title of Person Signing (please print)

20. Firefighting Turnout Gear

- Action:**
- A. Award the low bid unit price contracts for providing Firefighting Turnout Gear for a term of three years to the following:
 - 1. Municipal Emergency Services, Inc.**
 - 2. Newton's Fire and Safety****
 - B. Authorize the City Manager to extend the contracts for two additional, one-year terms with possible price adjustments at the time of renewal as authorized by the contract. The FY2012 expenditures are anticipated to be \$200,000, and**
 - C. Authorize the City Manager to approve additional grant fund purchases totaling approximately \$750,000 as a result of the 2011 Assistance for Fire Firefighter Grant.**

Staff Resource: Charles Robinson, Business Support Services

Explanation

- Firefighting Turnout Gear is used by the Charlotte Fire Department (CFD) for personal protection for fire fighting, search and rescue situations, building entrapments, and gas leaks while performing daily tasks. Firefighting Turnout Gear protects the firefighter's body from thermal and mechanical injury.
- On September 12, 2011, City Council approved an application for \$1.6 million from the 2011 Assistance to Firefighters Grant. If awarded, approximately \$750,000 of the grant would be used to replace damaged turnout gear.

Background

- Business Support Services/Procurement Services Division (BSS/PSD), on behalf of the Charlotte Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (CCPA), issued an Invitation to Bid (ITB) to provide Firefighting Turnout Gear to CFD, which included two manufacturers.
- Two responsive bids were received in response to the ITB, and each bid offered different manufacturers. After thorough review, the decision was made to award contracts to both companies to accommodate the diverse needs of CFD and other public entities.
- The CCPA is a cooperative purchasing program established by BSS/PSD with the specific purpose of reducing procurement costs by leveraging aggregate purchasing volume to receive better pricing.
- CCPA contracts are available for the use and to the benefit of all entities that must comply with state purchasing laws (cities, counties, public and private schools, colleges and universities, non-profits, and all governmental entities. The City of Asheville and the City of Durham have expressed interest in using the contracts.

Small Business Opportunity

No SBE goals are established for purchases of goods and equipment (Appendix Section 18 of the SBO Policy).

Funding

Fire Operating Budget and Federal Grants

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
CITY OF CHARLOTTE**

**SECOND AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT
TO PROVIDE FIREFIGHTING TURNOUT
GEAR**

THIS SECOND AMENDMENT to the Contract to Provide **FIREFIGHTING TURNOUT GEAR** (the "Amendment") is made and entered into this 10th day of October, 2015 by and between the City of Charlotte, a North Carolina municipal corporation (the "City") and Newton's Fire & Safety Equipment, Inc. a company doing business in North Carolina (the "Company").

STATEMENT OF BACKGROUND AND INTENT

- A. The City and the Company entered into a written Contract dated October 10, 2011 (the "Contract") pursuant to which the Company agreed to provide Firefighting Turnout Gear to the City of Charlotte.
- B. The Contract was for three (3) years, with the City having the option to extend the term for two (2) additional one-year terms. City Council authorized these extensions on October 10, 2011.
- C. At the conclusion of the original term of the Contract, the City and the Company agreed to extend the term of the Contract for one (1) additional one-year term to expire on October 9, 2015.
- D. On the First Contract Amendment, the City and the Company agreed to incorporate the E-Verify certification.
- E. The parties now desire to amend the Contract by making certain changes to the provisions, and to exercise the final renewal option.

NOW, THEREFORE in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the parties hereby amend the Contract as follows:

AGREEMENT

- 1. Defined terms used in this Amendment shall have the same meaning as are assigned to such terms in the Contract.
- 2. Pursuant to **Section 3** of the Contract, the City wishes to exercise its option to renew the original Contract for another term to expire on October 9, 2016 date unless earlier terminated in accordance with the terms of this Contract.
- 3. Except to the extent specifically provided in the amendments contained herein, this Amendment shall not be interpreted or construed as waiving any rights, obligations, remedies or claims the parties may otherwise have under the Contract.
- 4. In all other respects and except as modified herein, the terms of the Agreement shall remain in force and effect.

Contract #1200346
Amendment #2
MUNIS #20966

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and in acknowledgement that the parties hereto have read and understood each and every provision hereof, the parties have each caused this Amendment to be executed by its duly authorized representative, all as of the date first set forth above.

NEWTON'S FIRE & SAFETY EQUIPMENT, INC.

BY: Darrell Newton
PRINT NAME: DARRELL NEWTON
TITLE: president
DATE: 6-4-15

CITY OF CHARLOTTE
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE:

BY: Ann E Wall
PRINT NAME: Ann E Wall
TITLE: Assistant City Manager
DATE: 6/24/15

CITY OF CHARLOTTE:
OFFICE OF RISK MANAGEMENT:

BY: Christlee Gibson
PRINT NAME: Christlee Gibson
TITLE: Ins Mgr
DATE: 6/23/15

CITY OF CHARLOTTE
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE:

BY: Stephanie C. Kelly
PRINT NAME: Stephanie C. Kelly
TITLE: City Clerk
DATE: 6/25/15

This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act.

BY: N/A - purchase orders will be issued
DEPUTY FINANCE OFFICER

DATE



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

Exhibit VIII G.

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

6/4/2015

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an ADDITIONAL INSURED, the policy(ies) must be endorsed. If SUBROGATION IS WAIVED, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Business Insurers of Carolinas 800 Eastowne Drive, Suite 208 PO Box 2536 Chapel Hill NC 27515-2536	CONTACT NAME: Patty Miller PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): (919) 968-4611 E-MAIL ADDRESS: pom@business-insurers.com	FAX (A/C, No): (919) 968-8991
	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE	
INSURED Newton Fire & Safety Equipment, Inc. 2724 Swepsonville-Saxapahaw Rd PO Box 13 Swepsonville NC 27359	INSURER A: Fireman's Ins. Co. of Washingt	NAIC # 21784
	INSURER B: Twin City Fire Insurance	NAIC # 29459
	INSURER C: Stonewood Ins. Co.	NAIC # 11828
	INSURER D:	
	INSURER E:	
	INSURER F:	

COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 2015-2016** **REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL SUBR INSR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
B	COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:	X	22 CES OF5496	10/23/2014	10/23/2015	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 100,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$ PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ 2,000,000 \$
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B	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE DED RETENTION \$		22XSON0 625	5/25/2015	5/25/2016	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000 AGGREGATE \$ 1,000,000 \$
C	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y/N N N/A	WC10000094242015A	5/25/2015	5/25/2016	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ 1,000,000 E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$ 1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Reference Contract Number 1200346

City of Charlotte is listed as additional insured in reference to the General Liability policy.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER

City of Charlotte
 600 East Fourth Street
 Charlotte, NC 28202

CANCELLATION

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Patty Miller/PATTY

Patty O. Miller

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COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

To: City Manager's Office
From: Kevin B. Greer, PE, Assistant Public Services Director - Public Utilities
Contact Person: Kevin B. Greer, PE
Date: October 20, 2015
Re: Water Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator Replacement Project

REQUEST

Staff requests Council award the contract for the Water Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator Replacement Project with Crowder Construction Company being the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$2,699,000.00.

BACKGROUND

The City of Hickory Water Treatment Facility was last upgraded in 1993. This upgrade included the installation of a new Emergency Generator that would provide power to portions of the facility in the event of a power failure. The existing generator is a 1750 KW,2400-Volt system that runs the critical components of the facility. The generator is approximately 24 years old as it was one of the first components installed during the last upgrade. The Emergency Generator is a permit required critical piece of equipment for operations of the facility.

ANALYSIS

The City of Hickory Water Treatment Facility is a 32 MGD Water Treatment Facility responsible for providing finished water to approximately 97,000 people daily. Given the critical nature of this facility and the service it provides, the facility upgrade included emergency power generation.

The existing emergency generator is experiencing failures on the power generation end of the emergency generator and has exceeded the mechanical life of the unit. Staff has had the existing emergency generator evaluated and vendors cannot provide replacement parts to repair the existing unit.

The City of Hickory City Council approved contracting with HDR Engineering, Inc. in October of 2014 to evaluate the existing conditions, analyze the generator for proper sizing with the additions and modifications that have been made at the Water Treatment Facility since upgrade and to design, permit and bid the project as developed. Through the evaluation and design process replacement of the generator with a split system sized for different duty points was determined to be the optimum solution. HDR Engineering, Inc. has designed the project to include 2 generators that are capable of running separately to power the facility currently and in parallel to operate at future levels.

HDR Engineering, Inc. was responsible for design and bidding of the project. Construction Bids were received August 21, 2015 from two (2) prospective bidders as follows:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Crowder Construction Company | \$2,699,000.00 |
| 2. Brushy Mountain Builders, Inc. | \$2,880,000.00 |

The project was advertised for bid on August 13, 2015 and only received 2 bids, therefore they were not opened and the project was re-advertised for bids to be opened on August 21, 2015. This project was distributed to three (3) prospective bidders with two (2) bidders replying. HDR Engineering, Inc. has evaluated the bid packages and found Crowder Construction Company to be the lowest responsible bidder and has recommended award of the contract for the project with Crowder Construction Company as the successful bidder.

This project is planned as a component of the FY 15-16 Capital Budget to be funded from Capital Reserves. Council previously accepted bids on this project with second reading on October 6, 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council award of contract for the Water Treatment Facility Emergency Power Generator Replacement Project with Crowder Construction Company being the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$2,699,000.00.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

030-8024-547.74-06

Reviewed by:

<u>Chuck Hansen</u> Initiating Department Head	<u>10/08/2015</u> Date	<u>A. Dula</u> Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula	<u>10-16-15</u> Date
<u>Rodney Miller</u> Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller	<u>10-14-15</u> Date	<u>A. Surratt</u> Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt	<u>10-15-15</u> Date
<u>Melissa Miller</u> Finance Officer, Melissa Miller	<u>10-13-15</u> Date	<u>Bo Weichel</u> Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel	<u>10-13-15</u> Date
_____	_____		
	Date		

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).

M. Berry
City Manager, M. Berry

Date

SECTION 00 52 13
AGREEMENT
BETWEEN OWNER AND CONTRACTOR
FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT (STIPULATED PRICE)

THIS AGREEMENT is by and between _____ City of Hickory _____ (“Owner”) and
 _____ Crowder Construction Company _____ (“Contractor”).

Owner and Contractor hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 – WORK

1.01 Contractor shall complete all Work as specified or indicated in the Contract Documents. The Work is generally described as follows:

ARTICLE 2 – THE PROJECT

2.01 *The Project, of which the Work under the Contract Documents is a part, is generally described as follows:* modification of the water treatment plant existing emergency power system including demolition of the existing genset and fuel storage, and the addition of two 1500KW gensets with paralleling switchgear, automatic transfer switch, and belly tanks for fuel storage.

ARTICLE 3 – ENGINEER

- 3.01 The part of the Project that pertains to the Work has been designed by HDR.
- 3.02 The Owner has retained HDR (“Engineer”) to act as Owner’s representative, assume all duties and responsibilities, and have the rights and authority assigned to Engineer in the Contract Documents in connection with the completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 4 – CONTRACT TIMES

- 4.01 *Time of the Essence*
- A. All time limits for Milestones, if any, Substantial Completion, and completion and readiness for final payment as stated in the Contract Documents are of the essence of the Contract.
- 4.02 *Contract Times: Days*
- A. The Work will be substantially completed within 300 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run as provided in Paragraph 4.01 of the General Conditions, and completed and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions within 330 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run.
- 4.03 *Liquidated Damages*
- A. Contractor and Owner recognize that time is of the essence as stated in Paragraph 4.01 above and that Owner will suffer financial and other losses if the Work is not completed and Milestones not achieved within the times specified in Paragraph 4.02 above, plus any extensions thereof allowed in accordance with the Contract. The parties also recognize the delays, expense, and difficulties involved in proving in a legal or arbitration proceeding the

actual loss suffered by Owner if the Work is not completed on time. Accordingly, instead of requiring any such proof, Owner and Contractor agree that as liquidated damages for delay (but not as a penalty):

1. Substantial Completion: Contractor shall pay Owner \$1,000.00 for each day that expires after the time (as duly adjusted pursuant to the Contract) specified in Paragraph 4.02.A above for Substantial Completion until the Work is substantially complete.
2. Completion of Remaining Work: After Substantial Completion, if Contractor shall neglect, refuse, or fail to complete the remaining Work within the Contract Times (as duly adjusted pursuant to the Contract) for completion and readiness for final payment, Contractor shall pay Owner \$1,000.00 for each day that expires after such time until the Work is completed and ready for final payment.
3. Liquidated damages for failing to timely attain Substantial Completion and final completion are not additive and will not be imposed concurrently.

ARTICLE 5 – CONTRACT PRICE

5.01 Owner shall pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents the amounts that follow, subject to adjustment under the Contract:

- A. For all Unit Price Work, an amount equal to the sum of the extended prices (established for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work by multiplying the unit price times the actual quantity of that item):

Unit Price Work					
Item No.	Description	Unit	Estimated Quantity	Unit Price	Extended Price
1	Mobilization, Bonds, and Insurance (Max 5% items 2 – 7)	LS	1	100,000	100,000
2	Construction surveying, staking, and as-builts	LS	1	10,000	10,000
3	Demolition	LS	1	10,000	10,000
4	Site Work	LS	1	120,000	120,000
5	Erosion Control Measures	LF	266	3.00	798.00
6	Major Equipment	LS	1	5,000	5,000
7	Electrical	LS	1	2,428,827	2,428,827
8	Allowances	NA	NA	NA	24,375
Total of all Extended Prices for Unit Price Work (subject to final adjustment based on actual quantities)					\$2,699,000

The extended prices for Unit Price Work set forth as of the Effective Date of the Contract are based on estimated quantities. As provided in Paragraph 13.03 of the General Conditions, estimated quantities are not guaranteed, and determinations of actual quantities and classifications are to be made by Engineer.

ARTICLE 6 – PAYMENT PROCEDURES6.01 *Submittal and Processing of Payments*

- A. Contractor shall submit Applications for Payment in accordance with Article 15 of the General Conditions. Applications for Payment will be processed by Engineer as provided in the General Conditions.

6.02 *Progress Payments; Retainage*

- A. Owner shall make progress payments on account of the Contract Price on the basis of Contractor's Applications for Payment on or about the 25th day of each month during performance of the Work as provided in Paragraph 6.02.A.1 below, provided that such Applications for Payment have been submitted in a timely manner and otherwise meet the requirements of the Contract. Payments shall be made no more often than every 30 days. All such payments will be measured by the Schedule of Values established as provided in the General Conditions (and in the case of Unit Price Work based on the number of units completed) or, in the event there is no Schedule of Values, as provided elsewhere in the Contract.
 - 1. Prior to Substantial Completion, progress payments will be made in an amount equal to the percentage indicated below but, in each case, less the aggregate of payments previously made and less such amounts as Owner may withhold, including but not limited to liquidated damages, in accordance with the Contract
 - a. 95_percent of Work completed (with the balance being retainage). If the Work has been 50 percent completed as determined by Engineer, and if the character and progress of the Work have been satisfactory to Owner and Engineer, then as long as the character and progress of the Work remain satisfactory to Owner and Engineer, there will be no additional retainage; and
 - b. 95_percent of cost of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work (with the balance being retainage).
- B. Upon Substantial Completion, Owner shall pay an amount sufficient to increase total payments to Contractor to 100_percent of the Work completed, less such amounts set off by Owner pursuant to Paragraph 15.01.E of the General Conditions, and less 200_percent of Engineer's estimate of the value of Work to be completed or corrected as shown on the punch list of items to be completed or corrected prior to final payment.

6.03 *Final Payment*

- A. Upon final completion and acceptance of the Work in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions, Owner shall pay the remainder of the Contract Price as recommended by Engineer as provided in said Paragraph 15.06.

ARTICLE 7 – NOT USED**ARTICLE 8 – CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIONS**

- 8.01 In order to induce Owner to enter into this Contract, Contractor makes the following representations:
 - A. Contractor has examined and carefully studied the Contract Documents, and any data and reference items identified in the Contract Documents.

- B. Contractor has visited the Site, conducted a thorough, alert visual examination of the Site and adjacent areas, and become familiar with and is satisfied as to the general, local, and Site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- C. Contractor is familiar with and is satisfied as to all Laws and Regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the Work.
- D. Contractor has carefully studied all: (1) reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site and all drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, especially with respect to Technical Data in such reports and drawings, and (2) reports and drawings relating to Hazardous Environmental Conditions, if any, at or adjacent to the Site that have been identified in the Supplementary Conditions, especially with respect to Technical Data in such reports and drawings.
- E. Contractor has considered the information known to Contractor itself; information commonly known to contractors doing business in the locality of the Site; information and observations obtained from visits to the Site; the Contract Documents; and the Site-related reports and drawings identified in the Contract Documents, with respect to the effect of such information, observations, and documents on (1) the cost, progress, and performance of the Work; (2) the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor; and (3) Contractor's safety precautions and programs.
- F. Based on the information and observations referred to in the preceding paragraph, Contractor agrees that no further examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, studies, or data are necessary for the performance of the Work at the Contract Price, within the Contract Times, and in accordance with the other terms and conditions of the Contract.
- G. Contractor is aware of the general nature of work to be performed by Owner and others at the Site that relates to the Work as indicated in the Contract Documents.
- H. Contractor has given Engineer written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that Contractor has discovered in the Contract Documents, and the written resolution thereof by Engineer is acceptable to Contractor.
- I. The Contract Documents are generally sufficient to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions for performance and furnishing of the Work.
- J. Contractor's entry into this Contract constitutes an incontrovertible representation by Contractor that without exception all prices in the Agreement are premised upon performing and furnishing the Work required by the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 9 – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

9.01 *Contents*

- A. The Contract Documents consist of the following:
 1. This Agreement (pages 1 to 7, inclusive).
 2. Performance bond (pages 1 to 3 inclusive).
 3. Payment bond (pages 1 to 3 inclusive).
 4. General Conditions (pages 1 to 72, inclusive).
 5. Supplementary Conditions (pages 1 to 12, inclusive).

6. Specifications as listed in the table of contents of the Project Manual.
7. Drawings (not attached but incorporated by reference) consisting of 21 sheets with the Drawings listed on the attached sheet index.
8. Addenda (numbers 1 to 3, inclusive).
9. The following which may be delivered or issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract and are not attached hereto:
 - a. Notice to Proceed.
 - b. Work Change Directives.
 - c. Change Orders.
 - d. Field Orders.
- B. The documents listed in Paragraph 9.01.A are attached to this Agreement (except as expressly noted otherwise above).
- C. There are no Contract Documents other than those listed above in this Article 9.
- D. The Contract Documents may only be amended, modified, or supplemented as provided in the General Conditions.

ARTICLE 10 – MISCELLANEOUS

10.01 *Terms*

- A. Terms used in this Agreement will have the meanings stated in the General Conditions and the Supplementary Conditions.

10.02 *Assignment of Contract*

- A. Unless expressly agreed to elsewhere in the Contract, no assignment by a party hereto of any rights under or interests in the Contract will be binding on another party hereto without the written consent of the party sought to be bound; and, specifically but without limitation, money that may become due and money that is due may not be assigned without such consent (except to the extent that the effect of this restriction may be limited by law), and unless specifically stated to the contrary in any written consent to an assignment, no assignment will release or discharge the assignor from any duty or responsibility under the Contract Documents.

10.03 *Successors and Assigns*

- A. Owner and Contractor each binds itself, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other party hereto, its successors, assigns, and legal representatives in respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligations contained in the Contract Documents.

10.04 *Severability*

- A. Any provision or part of the Contract Documents held to be void or unenforceable under any Law or Regulation shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Contractor, who agree that the Contract Documents shall be reformed to replace such stricken provision or part thereof with a valid and enforceable provision that comes as close as possible to expressing the intention of the stricken provision.

10.05 Contractor's Certifications

- A. Contractor certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Contract. For the purposes of this Paragraph 10.05:
 1. "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of any thing of value likely to influence the action of a public official in the bidding process or in the Contract execution;
 2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the bidding process or the execution of the Contract to the detriment of Owner, (b) to establish Bid or Contract prices at artificial non-competitive levels, or (c) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
 3. "collusive practice" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more Bidders, with or without the knowledge of Owner, a purpose of which is to establish Bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels; and
 4. "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the bidding process or affect the execution of the Contract.

10.06 Other Provisions

- A. Owner stipulates that if the General Conditions that are made a part of this Contract are based on EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions for the Construction Contract, published by the Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee®, and if Owner is the party that has furnished said General Conditions, then Owner has plainly shown all modifications to the standard wording of such published document to the Contractor, through a process such as highlighting or "track changes" (redline/strikeout), or in the Supplementary Conditions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Owner and Contractor have signed this Agreement.

This Agreement will be effective on _____ (which is the Effective Date of the Contract).

OWNER:

CONTRACTOR:

City of Hickory

Crowder Construction Company

By: _____

By: Lynn L. Hansen

Title: _____

Title: Lynn L. Hansen/Exec. Vice President

(If Contractor is a corporation, a partnership, or a joint venture, attach evidence of authority to sign.)

Attest: _____

Attest: Terry Matthews

Title: _____

Title: Terry Matthews, Asst. Secretary

Address for giving notices:

Address for giving notices:

1111 Burma Drive

Apex, NC 27539

Corporate Address: 6425 Brookshire Blvd.,
Charlotte, NC 28216

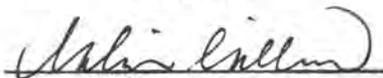
License No.: GC2104/Electrical – 08704-U
(where applicable)

(If Owner is a corporation, attach evidence of authority to sign. If Owner is a public body, attach evidence of authority to sign and resolution or other documents authorizing execution of this Agreement.)

NOTE TO USER: Use in those states or other jurisdictions where applicable or required.

END OF SECTION

This instrument has been preaudited
in the manner required by the Local
Government Budget and Fiscal
Control Act.



City of Hickory
Finance Officer

DRAWING SHEET INDEX
City of Hickory Water Treatment Plant
Emergency Power Generator

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03E-05 ELECTRICAL DETAILS



PERFORMANCE BOND

CONTRACTOR (name and address):
Crowder Construction Company
1111 Burma Dr.
Apex, NC 27539

SURETY (name and address of principal place of business):
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
175 Berkeley St.
Boston, MA 02116

OWNER (name and address):
City of Hickory
1441 9th Ave. NE, Hickory, NC 28601

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
Effective Date of the Agreement:
Amount: Two Million Six Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand and 00/100----- (\$2,699,000.00)
Description (name and location): Water Treatment Plant Emergency Power Generator
1560 Old Lenoir Rd., Hickory, NC 28601

BOND
Bond Number: 018037771
Date (not earlier than the Effective Date of the Agreement of the Construction Contract):
Amount: Two Million Six Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand and 00/100----- (\$2,699,000.00)
Modifications to this Bond Form: None See Paragraph 16

Surety and Contractor, intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms set forth below, do each cause this Performance Bond to be duly executed by an authorized officer, agent, or representative.

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY (seal)
Contractor's Name and Corporate Seal
By: Lynn L. Hansen
Signature
LYNN L. HANSEN
Print Name
Executive V. P.
Title
Attest: Terey Mathis
Signature
Asst. Secretary
Title

SURETY

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY (seal)
Surety's Name and Corporate Seal
By: Donna K. Ashley
Signature (attach power of attorney)
Donna K. Ashley
Print Name
Attorney-In-Fact
Title
Attest: Jennifer C. Hoehn
Signature
Jennifer C. Hoehn, Attorney-In-fact
Title

Notes: (1) Provide supplemental execution by any additional parties, such as joint venturers. (2) Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner, or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

1. The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to the Owner for the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference.

2. If the Contractor performs the Construction Contract, the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond, except when applicable to participate in a conference as provided in Paragraph 3.

3. If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation under this Bond shall arise after:

3.1 The Owner first provides notice to the Contractor and the Surety that the Owner is considering declaring a Contractor Default. Such notice shall indicate whether the Owner is requesting a conference among the Owner, Contractor, and Surety to discuss the Contractor's performance. If the Owner does not request a conference, the Surety may, within five (5) business days after receipt of the Owner's notice, request such a conference. If the Surety timely requests a conference, the Owner shall attend. Unless the Owner agrees otherwise, any conference requested under this Paragraph 3.1 shall be held within ten (10) business days of the Surety's receipt of the Owner's notice. If the Owner, the Contractor, and the Surety agree, the Contractor shall be allowed a reasonable time to perform the Construction Contract, but such an agreement shall not waive the Owner's right, if any, subsequently to declare a Contractor Default;

3.2 The Owner declares a Contractor Default, terminates the Construction Contract and notifies the Surety; and

3.3 The Owner has agreed to pay the Balance of the Contract Price in accordance with the terms of the Construction Contract to the Surety or to a contractor selected to perform the Construction Contract.

4. Failure on the part of the Owner to comply with the notice requirement in Paragraph 3.1 shall not constitute a failure to comply with a condition precedent to the Surety's obligations, or release the Surety from its obligations, except to the extent the Surety demonstrates actual prejudice.

5. When the Owner has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take one of the following actions:

5.1 Arrange for the Contractor, with the consent of the Owner, to perform and complete the Construction Contract;

5.2 Undertake to perform and complete the Construction Contract itself, through its agents or independent contractors;

5.3 Obtain bids or negotiated proposals from qualified contractors acceptable to the Owner for a contract for performance and completion of the Construction Contract, arrange for a contract to be prepared for execution by the Owner and a contractor selected with the Owners concurrence, to be secured with performance and payment bonds executed

by a qualified surety equivalent to the bonds issued on the Construction Contract, and pay to the Owner the amount of damages as described in Paragraph 7 in excess of the Balance of the Contract Price incurred by the Owner as a result of the Contractor Default; or

5.4 Waive its right to perform and complete, arrange for completion, or obtain a new contractor, and with reasonable promptness under the circumstances:

5.4.1 After investigation, determine the amount for which it may be liable to the Owner and, as soon as practicable after the amount is determined, make payment to the Owner; or

5.4.2 Deny liability in whole or in part and notify the Owner, citing the reasons for denial.

6. If the Surety does not proceed as provided in Paragraph 5 with reasonable promptness, the Surety shall be deemed to be in default on this Bond seven days after receipt of an additional written notice from the Owner to the Surety demanding that the Surety perform its obligations under this Bond, and the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner. If the Surety proceeds as provided in Paragraph 5.4, and the Owner refuses the payment or the Surety has denied liability, in whole or in part, without further notice the Owner shall be entitled to enforce any remedy available to the Owner.

7. If the Surety elects to act under Paragraph 5.1, 5.2, or 5.3, then the responsibilities of the Surety to the Owner shall not be greater than those of the Contractor under the Construction Contract, and the responsibilities of the Owner to the Surety shall not be greater than those of the Owner under the Construction Contract. Subject to the commitment by the Owner to pay the Balance of the Contract Price, the Surety is obligated, without duplication for:

7.1 the responsibilities of the Contractor for correction of defective work and completion of the Construction Contract;

7.2 additional legal, design professional, and delay costs resulting from the Contractor's Default, and resulting from the actions or failure to act of the Surety under Paragraph 5; and

7.3 liquidated damages, or if no liquidated damages are specified in the Construction Contract, actual damages caused by delayed performance or non-performance of the Contractor.

8. If the Surety elects to act under Paragraph 5.1, 5.3, or 5.4, the Surety's liability is limited to the amount of this Bond.

9. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract, and the Balance of the Contract Price shall not be reduced or set off on account of any such unrelated obligations. No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to any person or entity other than the Owner or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns.

10. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders, and other obligations.

11. Any proceeding, legal or equitable, under this Bond may be instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction in the location in which the work or part of the work is located and shall be instituted within two years after a declaration of Contractor Default or within two years after the Contractor ceased working or within two years after the Surety refuses or fails to perform its obligations under this Bond, whichever occurs first. If the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum periods of limitations available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.

12. Notice to the Surety, the Owner, or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears.

13. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

14. Definitions

14.1 Balance of the Contract Price: The total amount payable by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract after all proper adjustments have been made including allowance for the Contractor for any amounts received or to be received by the Owner in settlement of insurance or other claims

for damages to which the Contractor is entitled, reduced by all valid and proper payments made to or on behalf of the Contractor under the Construction Contract.

14.2 Construction Contract: The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.

14.3 Contractor Default: Failure of the Contractor, which has not been remedied or waived, to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Construction Contract.

14.4 Owner Default: Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.

14.5 Contract Documents: All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.

15. If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

16. Modifications to this Bond are as follows:



PAYMENT BOND

CONTRACTOR (name and address):
Crowder Construction Company
1111 Burma Dr.
Apex, NC 27539

SURETY (name and address of principal place of business):
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
175 Berkeley St.
Boston, MA 02116

OWNER (name and address):
City of Hickory, 1441 9th Ave. NE, Hickory, NC 28601
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

Effective Date of the Agreement:
Amount: Two Million Six Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand & 00/100----- (\$2,699,000.00)
Description (name and location): Water Treatment Plant Emergency Power Generator
1560 Old Lenoir Rd., Hickory, NC 28601

BOND

Bond Number: 018037771
Date (not earlier than the Effective Date of the Agreement of the Construction Contract):
Amount: Two Million Six Hundred Ninety-nine Thousand & 00/100 ---- (\$2,699,000.00)
Modifications to this Bond Form: None See Paragraph 18

Surety and Contractor, intending to be legally bound hereby, subject to the terms set forth below, do each cause this Payment Bond to be duly executed by an authorized officer, agent, or representative.

CONTRACTOR AS PRINCIPAL

SURETY

CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY (seal)

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY (seal)

Contractor's Name and Corporate Seal

Surety's Name and Corporate Seal

By: Lynn L. Hansen
Signature

By: Donna K. Ashley
Signature (attach power of attorney)

Lynn L. Hansen
Print Name

Donna K. Ashley
Print Name

Exec. Vice President
Title

Attorney-In-Fact
Title

Attest: Terry Matthews
Signature

Attest: Jennifer C. Hoehn
Signature

Asst. Secretary
Title

Jennifer C. Hoehn, Attorney-In-Fact
Title

Notes: (1) Provide supplemental execution by any additional parties, such as joint venturers. (2) Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner, or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

1. The Contractor and Surety, jointly and severally, bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns to the Owner to pay for labor, materials, and equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, which is incorporated herein by reference, subject to the following terms.
2. If the Contractor promptly makes payment of all sums due to Claimants, and defends, indemnifies, and holds harmless the Owner from claims, demands, liens, or suits by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials, or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, then the Surety and the Contractor shall have no obligation under this Bond.
3. If there is no Owner Default under the Construction Contract, the Surety's obligation to the Owner under this Bond shall arise after the Owner has promptly notified the Contractor and the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 13) of claims, demands, liens, or suits against the Owner or the Owner's property by any person or entity seeking payment for labor, materials, or equipment furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract, and tendered defense of such claims, demands, liens, or suits to the Contractor and the Surety.
4. When the Owner has satisfied the conditions in Paragraph 3, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Owner against a duly tendered claim, demand, lien, or suit.
5. The Surety's obligations to a Claimant under this Bond shall arise after the following:
 - 5.1 Claimants who do not have a direct contract with the Contractor,
 - 5.1.1 have furnished a written notice of non-payment to the Contractor, stating with substantial accuracy the amount claimed and the name of the party to whom the materials were, or equipment was, furnished or supplied or for whom the labor was done or performed, within ninety (90) days after having last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment included in the Claim; and
 - 5.1.2 have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 13).
 - 5.2 Claimants who are employed by or have a direct contract with the Contractor have sent a Claim to the Surety (at the address described in Paragraph 13).
6. If a notice of non-payment required by Paragraph 5.1.1 is given by the Owner to the Contractor, that is sufficient to satisfy a Claimant's obligation to furnish a written notice of non-payment under Paragraph 5.1.1.
7. When a Claimant has satisfied the conditions of Paragraph 5.1 or 5.2, whichever is applicable, the Surety shall promptly and at the Surety's expense take the following actions:
 - 7.1 Send an answer to the Claimant, with a copy to the Owner, within sixty (60) days after receipt of the Claim, stating the amounts that are undisputed and the basis for challenging any amounts that are disputed; and
 - 7.2 Pay or arrange for payment of any undisputed amounts.
 - 7.3 The Surety's failure to discharge its obligations under Paragraph 7.1 or 7.2 shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of defenses the Surety or Contractor may have or acquire as to a Claim, except as to undisputed amounts for which the Surety and Claimant have reached agreement. If, however, the Surety fails to discharge its obligations under Paragraph 7.1 or 7.2, the Surety shall indemnify the Claimant for the reasonable attorney's fees the Claimant incurs thereafter to recover any sums found to be due and owing to the Claimant.
8. The Surety's total obligation shall not exceed the amount of this Bond, plus the amount of reasonable attorney's fees provided under Paragraph 7.3, and the amount of this Bond shall be credited for any payments made in good faith by the Surety.
9. Amounts owed by the Owner to the Contractor under the Construction Contract shall be used for the performance of the Construction Contract and to satisfy claims, if any, under any construction performance bond. By the Contractor furnishing and the Owner accepting this Bond, they agree that all funds earned by the Contractor in the performance of the Construction Contract are dedicated to satisfy obligations of the Contractor and Surety under this Bond, subject to the Owner's priority to use the funds for the completion of the work.
10. The Surety shall not be liable to the Owner, Claimants, or others for obligations of the Contractor that are unrelated to the Construction Contract. The Owner shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or expenses of any Claimant under this Bond, and shall have under this Bond no obligation to make payments to or give notice on behalf of Claimants, or otherwise have any obligations to Claimants under this Bond.
11. The Surety hereby waives notice of any change, including changes of time, to the Construction Contract or to related subcontracts, purchase orders, and other obligations.

12. No suit or action shall be commenced by a Claimant under this Bond other than in a court of competent jurisdiction in the state in which the project that is the subject of the Construction Contract is located or after the expiration of one year from the date (1) on which the Claimant sent a Claim to the Surety pursuant to Paragraph 5.1.2 or 5.2, or (2) on which the last labor or service was performed by anyone or the last materials or equipment were furnished by anyone under the Construction Contract, whichever of (1) or (2) first occurs. If the provisions of this paragraph are void or prohibited by law, the minimum period of limitation available to sureties as a defense in the jurisdiction of the suit shall be applicable.
13. Notice and Claims to the Surety, the Owner, or the Contractor shall be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the page on which their signature appears. Actual receipt of notice or Claims, however accomplished, shall be sufficient compliance as of the date received.
14. When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location where the construction was to be performed, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.
15. Upon requests by any person or entity appearing to be a potential beneficiary of this Bond, the Contractor and Owner shall promptly furnish a copy of this Bond or shall permit a copy to be made.
16. **Definitions**
- 16.1 **Claim:** A written statement by the Claimant including at a minimum:
1. The name of the Claimant;
 2. The name of the person for whom the labor was done, or materials or equipment furnished;
 3. A copy of the agreement or purchase order pursuant to which labor, materials, or equipment was furnished for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
 4. A brief description of the labor, materials, or equipment furnished;
 5. The date on which the Claimant last performed labor or last furnished materials or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract;
 6. The total amount earned by the Claimant for labor, materials, or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim;
 7. The total amount of previous payments received by the Claimant; and
8. The total amount due and unpaid to the Claimant for labor, materials, or equipment furnished as of the date of the Claim.
- 16.2 **Claimant:** An individual or entity having a direct contract with the Contractor or with a subcontractor of the Contractor to furnish labor, materials, or equipment for use in the performance of the Construction Contract. The term Claimant also includes any individual or entity that has rightfully asserted a claim under an applicable mechanic's lien or similar statute against the real property upon which the Project is located. The intent of this Bond shall be to include without limitation in the terms of "labor, materials, or equipment" that part of the water, gas, power, light, heat, oil, gasoline, telephone service, or rental equipment used in the Construction Contract, architectural and engineering services required for performance of the work of the Contractor and the Contractor's subcontractors, and all other items for which a mechanic's lien may be asserted in the jurisdiction where the labor, materials, or equipment were furnished.
- 16.3 **Construction Contract:** The agreement between the Owner and Contractor identified on the cover page, including all Contract Documents and all changes made to the agreement and the Contract Documents.
- 16.4 **Owner Default:** Failure of the Owner, which has not been remedied or waived, to pay the Contractor as required under the Construction Contract or to perform and complete or comply with the other material terms of the Construction Contract.
- 16.5 **Contract Documents:** All the documents that comprise the agreement between the Owner and Contractor.
17. If this Bond is issued for an agreement between a contractor and subcontractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.
18. Modifications to this Bond are as follows:

THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY IS NOT VALID UNLESS IT IS PRINTED ON RED BACKGROUND.

This Power of Attorney limits the acts of those named herein, and they have no authority to bind the Company except in the manner and to the extent herein stated.

Exhibit VIII.H.

Certificate No. 7049647

American Fire and Casualty Company
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
West American Insurance Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That American Fire & Casualty Company and The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, Angela D. Ramsey; Donna K. Ashley; G Timothy Wilkerson; Jennifer C. Hoehn; John D. Leak, III; John F. Thomas; Wendy E. Lahm; Wendy M. Lands; William J. Quinn

all of the city of Charlotte, state of NC each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 8th day of July, 2015.



American Fire and Casualty Company
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
West American Insurance Company

By: David M. Carey
David M. Carey, Assistant Secretary

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA ss
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

On this 8th day of July, 2015, before me personally appeared David M. Carey, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of American Fire and Casualty Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Notarial Seal
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public
Plymouth Twp., Montgomery County
My Commission Expires March 28, 2017
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of American Fire and Casualty Company, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this _____ day of _____, 20_____.



By: Gregory W. Davenport
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OF
CROWDER CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**

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Carlos W. Norris	President
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Otis A. Crowder	Vice President
Lynn L. Hansen	Executive Vice President

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of this corporation, this first day of April, 2015.


Karl Francis, Secretary



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ARTICLE 1 – DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGY

1.01 *Defined Terms*

- A. Wherever used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents, a term printed with initial capital letters, including the term's singular and plural forms, will have the meaning indicated in the definitions below. In addition to terms specifically defined, terms with initial capital letters in the Contract Documents include references to identified articles and paragraphs, and the titles of other documents or forms.
1. *Addenda*—Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of Bids which clarify, correct, or change the Bidding Requirements or the proposed Contract Documents.
 2. *Agreement*—The written instrument, executed by Owner and Contractor, that sets forth the Contract Price and Contract Times, identifies the parties and the Engineer, and designates the specific items that are Contract Documents.
 3. *Application for Payment*—The form acceptable to Engineer which is to be used by Contractor during the course of the Work in requesting progress or final payments and which is to be accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents.
 4. *Bid*—The offer of a Bidder submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the prices for the Work to be performed.
 5. *Bidder*—An individual or entity that submits a Bid to Owner.
 6. *Bidding Documents*—The Bidding Requirements, the proposed Contract Documents, and all Addenda.
 7. *Bidding Requirements*—The advertisement or invitation to bid, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Bond or other Bid security, if any, the Bid Form, and the Bid with any attachments.
 8. *Change Order*—A document which is signed by Contractor and Owner and authorizes an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work or an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or other revision to the Contract, issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract.
 9. *Change Proposal*—A written request by Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth herein, seeking an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Contract Documents; challenging a set-off against payments due; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract.
 10. *Claim*—(a) A demand or assertion by Owner directly to Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth herein: seeking an adjustment of Contract Price or Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Contract Documents; contesting Engineer's decision regarding a Change Proposal; seeking resolution of a contractual issue that Engineer has declined to address; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Contract; or (b) a demand or assertion by Contractor directly to Owner, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth herein, contesting Engineer's decision regarding a Change Proposal; or seeking resolution of a contractual issue that Engineer

has declined to address. A demand for money or services by a third party is not a Claim.

11. *Constituent of Concern*—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive materials, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), hazardous waste, and any substance, product, waste, or other material of any nature whatsoever that is or becomes listed, regulated, or addressed pursuant to (a) the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. §§9601 et seq. ("CERCLA"); (b) the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. §§5101 et seq.; (c) the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. §§6901 et seq. ("RCRA"); (d) the Toxic Substances Control Act, 15 U.S.C. §§2601 et seq.; (e) the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§1251 et seq.; (f) the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.; or (g) any other federal, state, or local statute, law, rule, regulation, ordinance, resolution, code, order, or decree regulating, relating to, or imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning, any hazardous, toxic, or dangerous waste, substance, or material.
12. *Contract*—The entire and integrated written contract between the Owner and Contractor concerning the Work.
13. *Contract Documents*—Those items so designated in the Agreement, and which together comprise the Contract.
14. *Contract Price*—The money that Owner has agreed to pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
15. *Contract Times*—The number of days or the dates by which Contractor shall: (a) achieve Milestones, if any; (b) achieve Substantial Completion; and (c) complete the Work.
16. *Contractor*—The individual or entity with which Owner has contracted for performance of the Work.
17. *Cost of the Work*—See Paragraph 13.01 for definition.
18. *Drawings*—The part of the Contract that graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor.
19. *Effective Date of the Contract*—The date, indicated in the Agreement, on which the Contract becomes effective.
20. *Engineer*—The individual or entity named as such in the Agreement.
21. *Field Order*—A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but does not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times.
22. *Hazardous Environmental Condition*—The presence at the Site of Constituents of Concern in such quantities or circumstances that may present a danger to persons or property exposed thereto. The presence at the Site of materials that are necessary for the execution of the Work, or that are to be incorporated in the Work, and that are controlled and contained pursuant to industry practices, Laws and Regulations, and the requirements of the Contract, does not establish a Hazardous Environmental Condition.
23. *Laws and Regulations; Laws or Regulations*—Any and all applicable laws, statutes, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and orders of any and all governmental bodies, agencies, authorities, and courts having jurisdiction.

24. *Liens*—Charges, security interests, or encumbrances upon Contract-related funds, real property, or personal property.
25. *Milestone*—A principal event in the performance of the Work that the Contract requires Contractor to achieve by an intermediate completion date or by a time prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work.
26. *Notice of Award*—The written notice by Owner to a Bidder of Owner's acceptance of the Bid.
27. *Notice to Proceed*—A written notice by Owner to Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Times will commence to run and on which Contractor shall start to perform the Work.
28. *Owner*—The individual or entity with which Contractor has contracted regarding the Work, and which has agreed to pay Contractor for the performance of the Work, pursuant to the terms of the Contract.
29. *Progress Schedule*—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, describing the sequence and duration of the activities comprising the Contractor's plan to accomplish the Work within the Contract Times.
30. *Project*—The total undertaking to be accomplished for Owner 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.
31. *Project Manual*—The written documents prepared for, or made available for, procuring and constructing the Work, including but not limited to the Bidding Documents or other construction procurement documents, geotechnical and existing conditions information, the Agreement, bond forms, General Conditions, Supplementary Conditions, and Specifications. The contents of the Project Manual may be bound in one or more volumes.
32. *Resident Project Representative*—The authorized representative of Engineer assigned to assist Engineer at the Site. As used herein, the term Resident Project Representative or "RPR" includes any assistants or field staff of Resident Project Representative.
33. *Samples*—Physical examples of materials, equipment, or workmanship that are representative of some portion of the Work and that establish the standards by which such portion of the Work will be judged.
34. *Schedule of Submittals*—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, of required submittals and the time requirements for Engineer's review of the submittals and the performance of related construction activities.
35. *Schedule of Values*—A schedule, prepared and maintained by Contractor, allocating portions of the Contract Price to various portions of the Work and used as the basis for reviewing Contractor's Applications for Payment.
36. *Shop Drawings*—All drawings, diagrams, illustrations, schedules, and other data or information that are specifically prepared or assembled by or for Contractor and submitted by Contractor to illustrate some portion of the Work. Shop Drawings, whether approved or not, are not Drawings and are not Contract Documents.

37. *Site*—Lands or areas indicated in the Contract Documents as being furnished by Owner upon which the Work is to be performed, including rights-of-way and easements, and such other lands furnished by Owner which are designated for the use of Contractor.
38. *Specifications*—The part of the Contract that consists of written requirements for materials, equipment, systems, standards, and workmanship as applied to the Work, and certain administrative requirements and procedural matters applicable to the Work.
39. *Subcontractor*—An individual or entity having a direct contract with Contractor or with any other Subcontractor for the performance of a part of the Work.
40. *Substantial Completion*—The time at which the Work (or a specified part thereof) has progressed to the point where, in the opinion of Engineer, the Work (or a specified part thereof) is sufficiently complete, in accordance with the Contract Documents, so that the Work (or a specified part thereof) can be utilized for the purposes for which it is intended. The terms “substantially complete” and “substantially completed” as applied to all or part of the Work refer to Substantial Completion thereof.
41. *Successful Bidder*—The Bidder whose Bid the Owner accepts, and to which the Owner makes an award of contract, subject to stated conditions.
42. *Supplementary Conditions*—The part of the Contract that amends or supplements these General Conditions.
43. *Supplier*—A manufacturer, fabricator, supplier, distributor, materialman, or vendor having a direct contract with Contractor or with any Subcontractor to furnish materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work by Contractor or a Subcontractor.
44. *Technical Data*—Those items expressly identified as Technical Data in the Supplementary Conditions, with respect to either (a) subsurface conditions at the Site, or physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site (except Underground Facilities) or (b) Hazardous Environmental Conditions at the Site. If no such express identifications of Technical Data have been made with respect to conditions at the Site, then the data contained in boring logs, recorded measurements of subsurface water levels, laboratory test results, and other factual, objective information regarding conditions at the Site that are set forth in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor are hereby defined as Technical Data with respect to conditions at the Site under Paragraphs 5.03, 5.04, and 5.06.
45. *Underground Facilities*—All underground pipelines, conduits, ducts, cables, wires, manholes, vaults, tanks, tunnels, or other such facilities or attachments, and any encasements containing such facilities, including but not limited to those that convey electricity, gases, steam, liquid petroleum products, telephone or other communications, fiber optic transmissions, cable television, water, wastewater, storm water, other liquids or chemicals, or traffic or other control systems.
46. *Unit Price Work*—Work to be paid for on the basis of unit prices.
47. *Work*—The entire construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be provided under the Contract Documents. Work includes and is the result of performing or providing all labor, services, and documentation necessary to produce such construction; furnishing, installing, and incorporating all materials and equipment into such construction; and may include related services such as testing, start-up, and commissioning, all as required by the Contract Documents.

48. *Work Change Directive*—A written directive to Contractor issued on or after the Effective Date of the Contract, signed by Owner and recommended by Engineer, ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work.

1.02 *Terminology*

- A. The words and terms discussed in the following paragraphs are not defined but, when used in the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents, have the indicated meaning.
- B. *Intent of Certain Terms or Adjectives:*
1. The Contract Documents include the terms “as allowed,” “as approved,” “as ordered,” “as directed” or terms of like effect or import to authorize an exercise of professional judgment by Engineer. In addition, the adjectives “reasonable,” “suitable,” “acceptable,” “proper,” “satisfactory,” or adjectives of like effect or import are used to describe an action or determination of Engineer as to the Work. It is intended that such exercise of professional judgment, action, or determination will be solely to evaluate, in general, the Work for compliance with the information in the Contract Documents and with the design concept of the Project as a functioning whole as shown or indicated in the Contract Documents (unless there is a specific statement indicating otherwise). The use of any such term or adjective is not intended to and shall not be effective to assign to Engineer any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work, or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility contrary to the provisions of Article 10 or any other provision of the Contract Documents.
- C. *Day:*
1. The word “day” means a calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight.
- D. *Defective:*
1. The word “defective,” when modifying the word “Work,” refers to Work that is unsatisfactory, faulty, or deficient in that it:
 - a. does not conform to the Contract Documents; or
 - b. does not meet the requirements of any applicable inspection, reference standard, test, or approval referred to in the Contract Documents; or
 - c. has been damaged prior to Engineer’s recommendation of final payment (unless responsibility for the protection thereof has been assumed by Owner at Substantial Completion in accordance with Paragraph 15.03 or 15.04).
- E. *Furnish, Install, Perform, Provide:*
1. The word “furnish,” when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to supply and deliver said services, materials, or equipment to the Site (or some other specified location) ready for use or installation and in usable or operable condition.
 2. The word “install,” when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to put into use or place in final position said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.

3. The words "perform" or "provide," when used in connection with services, materials, or equipment, shall mean to furnish and install said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
 4. If the Contract Documents establish an obligation of Contractor with respect to specific services, materials, or equipment, but do not expressly use any of the four words "furnish," "install," "perform," or "provide," then Contractor shall furnish and install said services, materials, or equipment complete and ready for intended use.
- F. Unless stated otherwise in the Contract Documents, words or phrases that have a well-known technical or construction industry or trade meaning are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meaning.

ARTICLE 2 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS

2.01 *Delivery of Bonds and Evidence of Insurance*

- A. *Bonds*: When Contractor delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to Owner, Contractor shall also deliver to Owner such bonds as Contractor may be required to furnish.
- B. *Evidence of Contractor's Insurance*: When Contractor delivers the executed counterparts of the Agreement to Owner, Contractor shall also deliver to Owner, with copies to each named insured and additional insured (as identified in the Supplementary Conditions or elsewhere in the Contract), the certificates and other evidence of insurance required to be provided by Contractor in accordance with Article 6.
- C. *Evidence of Owner's Insurance*: After receipt of the executed counterparts of the Agreement and all required bonds and insurance documentation, Owner shall promptly deliver to Contractor, with copies to each named insured and additional insured (as identified in the Supplementary Conditions or otherwise), the certificates and other evidence of insurance required to be provided by Owner under Article 6.

2.02 *Copies of Documents*

- A. Owner shall furnish to Contractor four printed copies of the Contract (including one fully executed counterpart of the Agreement), and one copy in electronic portable document format (PDF). Additional printed copies will be furnished upon request at the cost of reproduction.
- B. Owner shall maintain and safeguard at least one original printed record version of the Contract, including Drawings and Specifications signed and sealed by Engineer and other design professionals. Owner shall make such original printed record version of the Contract available to Contractor for review. Owner may delegate the responsibilities under this provision to Engineer.

2.03 *Before Starting Construction*

- A. *Preliminary Schedules*: Within 10 days after the Effective Date of the Contract (or as otherwise specifically required by the Contract Documents), Contractor shall submit to Engineer for timely review:
 1. a preliminary Progress Schedule indicating the times (numbers of days or dates) for starting and completing the various stages of the Work, including any Milestones specified in the Contract;
 2. a preliminary Schedule of Submittals; and

3. a preliminary Schedule of Values for all of the Work which includes quantities and prices of items which when added together equal the Contract Price and subdivides the Work into component parts in sufficient detail to serve as the basis for progress payments during performance of the Work. Such prices will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of Work.

2.04 *Preconstruction Conference; Designation of Authorized Representatives*

- A. Before any Work at the Site is started, a conference attended by Owner, Contractor, Engineer, and others as appropriate will be held to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Work and to discuss the schedules referred to in Paragraph 2.03.A, procedures for handling Shop Drawings, Samples, and other submittals, processing Applications for Payment, electronic or digital transmittals, and maintaining required records.
- B. At this conference Owner and Contractor each shall designate, in writing, a specific individual to act as its authorized representative with respect to the services and responsibilities under the Contract. Such individuals shall have the authority to transmit and receive information, render decisions relative to the Contract, and otherwise act on behalf of each respective party.

2.05 *Initial Acceptance of Schedules*

- A. At least 10 days before submission of the first Application for Payment a conference, attended by Contractor, Engineer, and others as appropriate, will be held to review for acceptability to Engineer as provided below the schedules submitted in accordance with Paragraph 2.03.A. Contractor shall have an additional 10 days to make corrections and adjustments and to complete and resubmit the schedules. No progress payment shall be made to Contractor until acceptable schedules are submitted to Engineer.
 1. The Progress Schedule will be acceptable to Engineer if it provides an orderly progression of the Work to completion within the Contract Times. Such acceptance will not impose on Engineer responsibility for the Progress Schedule, for sequencing, scheduling, or progress of the Work, nor interfere with or relieve Contractor from Contractor's full responsibility therefor.
 2. Contractor's Schedule of Submittals will be acceptable to Engineer if it provides a workable arrangement for reviewing and processing the required submittals.
 3. Contractor's Schedule of Values will be acceptable to Engineer as to form and substance if it provides a reasonable allocation of the Contract Price to the component parts of the Work.

2.06 *Electronic Transmittals*

- A. Except as otherwise stated elsewhere in the Contract, the Owner, Engineer, and Contractor may transmit, and shall accept, Project-related correspondence, text, data, documents, drawings, information, and graphics, including but not limited to Shop Drawings and other submittals, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website.
- B. If the Contract does not establish protocols for electronic or digital transmittals, then Owner, Engineer, and Contractor shall jointly develop such protocols.
- C. When transmitting items in electronic media or digital format, the transmitting party makes no representations as to long term compatibility, usability, or readability of the items resulting from the recipient's use of software application packages, operating systems, or

computer hardware differing from those used in the drafting or transmittal of the items, or from those established in applicable transmittal protocols.

ARTICLE 3 – DOCUMENTS: INTENT, REQUIREMENTS, REUSE

3.01 *Intent*

- A. The Contract Documents are complementary; what is required by one is as binding as if required by all.
- B. It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- C. Unless otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, if there is a discrepancy between the electronic or digital versions of the Contract Documents (including any printed copies derived from such electronic or digital versions) and the printed record version, the printed record version shall govern.
- D. The Contract supersedes prior negotiations, representations, and agreements, whether written or oral.
- E. Engineer will issue clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents as provided herein.

3.02 *Reference Standards*

- A. Standards Specifications, Codes, Laws and Regulations
 1. Reference in the Contract Documents to standard specifications, manuals, reference standards, or codes of any technical society, organization, or association, or to Laws or Regulations, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the standard specification, manual, reference standard, code, or Laws or Regulations in effect at the time of opening of Bids (or on the Effective Date of the Contract if there were no Bids), except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents.
 2. No provision of any such standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or any instruction of a Supplier, shall be effective to change the duties or responsibilities of Owner, Contractor, or Engineer, or any of their subcontractors, consultants, agents, or employees, from those set forth in the part of the Contract Documents prepared by or for Engineer. No such provision or instruction shall be effective to assign to Owner, Engineer, or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, any duty or authority to supervise or direct the performance of the Work or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility inconsistent with the provisions of the part of the Contract Documents prepared by or for Engineer.

3.03 *Reporting and Resolving Discrepancies*

- A. *Reporting Discrepancies:*
 1. *Contractor's Verification of Figures and Field Measurements:* Before undertaking each part of the Work, Contractor shall carefully study the Contract Documents, and check and verify pertinent figures and dimensions therein, particularly with respect to applicable field measurements. Contractor shall promptly report in writing to Engineer any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy that Contractor discovers, or has actual knowledge of, and shall not proceed with any Work affected thereby until the conflict,

error, ambiguity, or discrepancy is resolved, by a clarification or interpretation by Engineer, or by an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents issued pursuant to Paragraph 11.01.

2. *Contractor's Review of Contract Documents:* If, before or during the performance of the Work, Contractor discovers any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy within the Contract Documents, or between the Contract Documents and (a) any applicable Law or Regulation, (b) actual field conditions, (c) any standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or (d) any instruction of any Supplier, then Contractor shall promptly report it to Engineer in writing. Contractor shall not proceed with the Work affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15) until the conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy is resolved, by a clarification or interpretation by Engineer, or by an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents issued pursuant to Paragraph 11.01.
 3. Contractor shall not be liable to Owner or Engineer for failure to report any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy in the Contract Documents unless Contractor had actual knowledge thereof.
- B. *Resolving Discrepancies:*
1. Except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents, the provisions of the part of the Contract Documents prepared by or for Engineer shall take precedence in resolving any conflict, error, ambiguity, or discrepancy between such provisions of the Contract Documents and:
 - a. the provisions of any standard specification, manual, reference standard, or code, or the instruction of any Supplier (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference as a Contract Document); or
 - b. the provisions of any Laws or Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work (unless such an interpretation of the provisions of the Contract Documents would result in violation of such Law or Regulation).

3.04 *Requirements of the Contract Documents*

- A. During the performance of the Work and until final payment, Contractor and Owner shall submit to the Engineer all matters in question concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents (sometimes referred to as requests for information or interpretation—RFIs), or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Contract Documents, as soon as possible after such matters arise. Engineer will be the initial interpreter of the requirements of the Contract Documents, and judge of the acceptability of the Work thereunder.
- B. Engineer will, with reasonable promptness, render a written clarification, interpretation, or decision on the issue submitted, or initiate an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents. Engineer's written clarification, interpretation, or decision will be final and binding on Contractor, unless it appeals by submitting a Change Proposal, and on Owner, unless it appeals by filing a Claim.
- C. If a submitted matter in question concerns terms and conditions of the Contract Documents that do not involve (1) the performance or acceptability of the Work under the Contract Documents, (2) the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or (3) other engineering or technical matters, then Engineer will promptly give written notice to Owner and Contractor that Engineer is unable to provide a decision or interpretation. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on resolution of such a matter in question, either party may pursue resolution as provided in Article 12.

3.05 *Reuse of Documents*

- A. Contractor and its Subcontractors and Suppliers shall not:
1. have or acquire any title to or ownership rights in any of the Drawings, Specifications, or other documents (or copies of any thereof) prepared by or bearing the seal of Engineer or its consultants, including electronic media editions, or reuse any such Drawings, Specifications, other documents, or copies thereof on extensions of the Project or any other project without written consent of Owner and Engineer and specific written verification or adaptation by Engineer; or
 2. have or acquire any title or ownership rights in any other Contract Documents, reuse any such Contract Documents for any purpose without Owner's express written consent, or violate any copyrights pertaining to such Contract Documents.
- B. The prohibitions of this Paragraph 3.05 will survive final payment, or termination of the Contract. Nothing herein shall preclude Contractor from retaining copies of the Contract Documents for record purposes.

ARTICLE 4 – COMMENCEMENT AND PROGRESS OF THE WORK

4.01 *Commencement of Contract Times; Notice to Proceed*

- A. The Contract Times will commence to run on the thirtieth day after the Effective Date of the Contract or, if a Notice to Proceed is given, on the day indicated in the Notice to Proceed. A Notice to Proceed may be given at any time within 30 days after the Effective Date of the Contract. In no event will the Contract Times commence to run later than the sixtieth day after the day of Bid opening or the thirtieth day after the Effective Date of the Contract, whichever date is earlier.

4.02 *Starting the Work*

- A. Contractor shall start to perform the Work on the date when the Contract Times commence to run. No Work shall be done at the Site prior to such date.

4.03 *Reference Points*

- A. Owner shall provide engineering surveys to establish reference points for construction which in Engineer's judgment are necessary to enable Contractor to proceed with the Work. Contractor shall be responsible for laying out the Work, shall protect and preserve the established reference points and property monuments, and shall make no changes or relocations without the prior written approval of Owner. Contractor shall report to Engineer whenever any reference point or property monument is lost or destroyed or requires relocation because of necessary changes in grades or locations, and shall be responsible for the accurate replacement or relocation of such reference points or property monuments by professionally qualified personnel.

4.04 *Progress Schedule*

- A. Contractor shall adhere to the Progress Schedule established in accordance with Paragraph 2.05 as it may be adjusted from time to time as provided below.
1. Contractor shall submit to Engineer for acceptance (to the extent indicated in Paragraph 2.05) proposed adjustments in the Progress Schedule that will not result in changing the Contract Times.

2. Proposed adjustments in the Progress Schedule that will change the Contract Times shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Article 11.
- B. Contractor shall carry on the Work and adhere to the Progress Schedule during all disputes or disagreements with Owner. No Work shall be delayed or postponed pending resolution of any disputes or disagreements, or during any appeal process, except as permitted by Paragraph 16.04, or as Owner and Contractor may otherwise agree in writing.

4.05 *Delays in Contractor's Progress*

- A. If Owner, Engineer, or anyone for whom Owner is responsible, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the performance or progress of the Work, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Times and Contract Price. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
- B. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor. Delay, disruption, and interference attributable to and within the control of a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed to be within the control of Contractor.
- C. If Contractor's performance or progress is delayed, disrupted, or interfered with by unanticipated causes not the fault of and beyond the control of Owner, Contractor, and those for which they are responsible, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Times. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times. Such an adjustment shall be Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy for the delays, disruption, and interference described in this paragraph. Causes of delay, disruption, or interference that may give rise to an adjustment in Contract Times under this paragraph include but are not limited to the following:
1. severe and unavoidable natural catastrophes such as fires, floods, epidemics, and earthquakes;
 2. abnormal weather conditions;
 3. acts or failures to act of utility owners (other than those performing other work at or adjacent to the Site by arrangement with the Owner, as contemplated in Article 8); and
 4. acts of war or terrorism.
- D. Delays, disruption, and interference to the performance or progress of the Work resulting from the existence of a differing subsurface or physical condition, an Underground Facility that was not shown or indicated by the Contract Documents, or not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy, and those resulting from Hazardous Environmental Conditions, are governed by Article 5.
- E. Paragraph 8.03 governs delays, disruption, and interference to the performance or progress of the Work resulting from the performance of certain other work at or adjacent to the Site.
- F. Contractor shall not be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times for any delay, disruption, or interference if such delay is concurrent with a delay, disruption, or interference caused by or within the control of Contractor.

- G. Contractor must submit any Change Proposal seeking an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times under this paragraph within 30 days of the commencement of the delaying, disrupting, or interfering event.

ARTICLE 5 – AVAILABILITY OF LANDS; SUBSURFACE AND PHYSICAL CONDITIONS; HAZARDOUS ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

5.01 *Availability of Lands*

- A. Owner shall furnish the Site. Owner shall notify Contractor of any encumbrances or restrictions not of general application but specifically related to use of the Site with which Contractor must comply in performing the Work.
- B. Upon reasonable written request, Owner shall furnish Contractor with a current statement of record legal title and legal description of the lands upon which permanent improvements are to be made and Owner's interest therein as necessary for giving notice of or filing a mechanic's or construction lien against such lands in accordance with applicable Laws and Regulations.
- C. Contractor shall provide for all additional lands and access thereto that may be required for temporary construction facilities or storage of materials and equipment.

5.02 *Use of Site and Other Areas*

- A. *Limitation on Use of Site and Other Areas:*
 - 1. Contractor shall confine construction equipment, temporary construction facilities, the storage of materials and equipment, and the operations of workers to the Site, adjacent areas that Contractor has arranged to use through construction easements or otherwise, and other adjacent areas permitted by Laws and Regulations, and shall not unreasonably encumber the Site and such other adjacent areas with construction equipment or other materials or equipment. Contractor shall assume full responsibility for (a) damage to the Site; (b) damage to any such other adjacent areas used for Contractor's operations; (c) damage to any other adjacent land or areas; and (d) for injuries and losses sustained by the owners or occupants of any such land or areas; provided that such damage or injuries result from the performance of the Work or from other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible.
 - 2. If a damage or injury claim is made by the owner or occupant of any such land or area because of the performance of the Work, or because of other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible, Contractor shall (a) take immediate corrective or remedial action as required by Paragraph 7.12, or otherwise; (b) promptly attempt to settle the claim as to all parties through negotiations with such owner or occupant, or otherwise resolve the claim by arbitration or other dispute resolution proceeding, or at law; and (c) to the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against any such claim, and against all costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to any claim or action, legal or equitable, brought by any such owner or occupant against Owner, Engineer, or any other party indemnified hereunder to the extent caused directly or indirectly, in whole or in part

by, or based upon, Contractor's performance of the Work, or because of other actions or conduct of the Contractor or those for which Contractor is responsible.

- B. *Removal of Debris During Performance of the Work:* During the progress of the Work the Contractor shall keep the Site and other adjacent areas free from accumulations of waste materials, rubbish, and other debris. Removal and disposal of such waste materials, rubbish, and other debris shall conform to applicable Laws and Regulations.
- C. *Cleaning:* Prior to Substantial Completion of the Work Contractor shall clean the Site and the Work and make it ready for utilization by Owner. At the completion of the Work Contractor shall remove from the Site and adjacent areas all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery, and surplus materials and shall restore to original condition all property not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.
- D. *Loading of Structures:* Contractor shall not load nor permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure, nor shall Contractor subject any part of the Work or adjacent structures or land to stresses or pressures that will endanger them.

5.03 *Subsurface and Physical Conditions*

- A. *Reports and Drawings:* The Supplementary Conditions identify:
 1. those reports known to Owner of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site;
 2. those drawings known to Owner of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site (except Underground Facilities); and
 3. Technical Data contained in such reports and drawings.
- B. *Reliance by Contractor on Technical Data Authorized:* Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of the Technical Data expressly identified in the Supplementary Conditions with respect to such reports and drawings, but such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents. If no such express identification has been made, then Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of the Technical Data (as defined in Article 1) contained in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor. Except for such reliance on Technical Data, Contractor may not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer, or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, with respect to:
 1. the completeness of such reports and drawings for Contractor's purposes, including, but not limited to, any aspects of the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or
 2. other data, interpretations, opinions, and information contained in such reports or shown or indicated in such drawings; or
 3. any Contractor interpretation of or conclusion drawn from any Technical Data or any such other data, interpretations, opinions, or information.

5.04 *Differing Subsurface or Physical Conditions*

- A. *Notice by Contractor:* If Contractor believes that any subsurface or physical condition that is uncovered or revealed at the Site either:
1. is of such a nature as to establish that any Technical Data on which Contractor is entitled to rely as provided in Paragraph 5.03 is materially inaccurate; or
 2. is of such a nature as to require a change in the Drawings or Specifications; or
 3. differs materially from that shown or indicated in the Contract Documents; or
 4. is of an unusual nature, and differs materially from conditions ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in the Contract Documents;

then Contractor shall, promptly after becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing the subsurface or physical conditions or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15), notify Owner and Engineer in writing about such condition. Contractor shall not further disturb such condition or perform any Work in connection therewith (except with respect to an emergency) until receipt of a written statement permitting Contractor to do so.

- B. *Engineer's Review:* After receipt of written notice as required by the preceding paragraph, Engineer will promptly review the subsurface or physical condition in question; determine the necessity of Owner's obtaining additional exploration or tests with respect to the condition; conclude whether the condition falls within any one or more of the differing site condition categories in Paragraph 5.04.A above; obtain any pertinent cost or schedule information from Contractor; prepare recommendations to Owner regarding the Contractor's resumption of Work in connection with the subsurface or physical condition in question and the need for any change in the Drawings or Specifications; and advise Owner in writing of Engineer's findings, conclusions, and recommendations.
- C. *Owner's Statement to Contractor Regarding Site Condition:* After receipt of Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, Owner shall issue a written statement to Contractor (with a copy to Engineer) regarding the subsurface or physical condition in question, addressing the resumption of Work in connection with such condition, indicating whether any change in the Drawings or Specifications will be made, and adopting or rejecting Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, in whole or in part.
- D. *Possible Price and Times Adjustments:*
1. Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that the existence of a differing subsurface or physical condition, or any related delay, disruption, or interference, causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work; subject, however, to the following:
 - a. such condition must fall within any one or more of the categories described in Paragraph 5.04.A;
 - b. with respect to Work that is paid for on a unit price basis, any adjustment in Contract Price will be subject to the provisions of Paragraph 13.03; and,

- c. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
2. Contractor shall not be entitled to any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times with respect to a subsurface or physical condition if:
 - a. Contractor knew of the existence of such condition at the time Contractor made a commitment to Owner with respect to Contract Price and Contract Times by the submission of a Bid or becoming bound under a negotiated contract, or otherwise; or
 - b. the existence of such condition reasonably could have been discovered or revealed as a result of any examination, investigation, exploration, test, or study of the Site and contiguous areas expressly required by the Bidding Requirements or Contract Documents to be conducted by or for Contractor prior to Contractor's making such commitment; or
 - c. Contractor failed to give the written notice as required by Paragraph 5.04.A.
3. If Owner and Contractor agree regarding Contractor's entitlement to and the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then any such adjustment shall be set forth in a Change Order.
4. Contractor may submit a Change Proposal regarding its entitlement to or the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after Owner's issuance of the Owner's written statement to Contractor regarding the subsurface or physical condition in question.

5.05 *Underground Facilities*

- A. *Contractor's Responsibilities:* The information and data shown or indicated in the Contract Documents with respect to existing Underground Facilities at or adjacent to the Site is based on information and data furnished to Owner or Engineer by the owners of such Underground Facilities, including Owner, or by others. Unless it is otherwise expressly provided in the Supplementary Conditions:
 1. Owner and Engineer do not warrant or guarantee the accuracy or completeness of any such information or data provided by others; and
 2. the cost of all of the following will be included in the Contract Price, and Contractor shall have full responsibility for:
 - a. reviewing and checking all information and data regarding existing Underground Facilities at the Site;
 - b. locating all Underground Facilities shown or indicated in the Contract Documents as being at the Site;
 - c. coordination of the Work with the owners (including Owner) of such Underground Facilities, during construction; and
 - d. the safety and protection of all existing Underground Facilities at the Site, and repairing any damage thereto resulting from the Work.
- B. *Notice by Contractor:* If Contractor believes that an Underground Facility that is uncovered or revealed at the Site was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, or was not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy, then Contractor shall, promptly after

becoming aware thereof and before further disturbing conditions affected thereby or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15), identify the owner of such Underground Facility and give written notice to that owner and to Owner and Engineer.

- C. *Engineer's Review:* Engineer will promptly review the Underground Facility and conclude whether such Underground Facility was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, or was not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy; obtain any pertinent cost or schedule information from Contractor; prepare recommendations to Owner regarding the Contractor's resumption of Work in connection with the Underground Facility in question; determine the extent, if any, to which a change is required in the Drawings or Specifications to reflect and document the consequences of the existence or location of the Underground Facility; and advise Owner in writing of Engineer's findings, conclusions, and recommendations. During such time, Contractor shall be responsible for the safety and protection of such Underground Facility.
- D. *Owner's Statement to Contractor Regarding Underground Facility:* After receipt of Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations, Owner shall issue a written statement to Contractor (with a copy to Engineer) regarding the Underground Facility in question, addressing the resumption of Work in connection with such Underground Facility, indicating whether any change in the Drawings or Specifications will be made, and adopting or rejecting Engineer's written findings, conclusions, and recommendations in whole or in part.
- E. *Possible Price and Times Adjustments:*
1. Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, to the extent that any existing Underground Facility at the Site that was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, or was not shown or indicated with reasonable accuracy, or any related delay, disruption, or interference, causes an increase or decrease in Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of the Work; subject, however, to the following:
 - a. Contractor did not know of and could not reasonably have been expected to be aware of or to have anticipated the existence or actual location of the Underground Facility in question;
 - b. With respect to Work that is paid for on a unit price basis, any adjustment in Contract Price will be subject to the provisions of Paragraph 13.03;
 - c. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times; and
 - d. Contractor gave the notice required in Paragraph 5.05.B.
 2. If Owner and Contractor agree regarding Contractor's entitlement to and the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then any such adjustment shall be set forth in a Change Order.
 3. Contractor may submit a Change Proposal regarding its entitlement to or the amount or extent of any adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after Owner's issuance of the Owner's written statement to Contractor regarding the Underground Facility in question.

5.06 *Hazardous Environmental Conditions at Site*

- A. *Reports and Drawings:* The Supplementary Conditions identify:
1. those reports and drawings known to Owner relating to Hazardous Environmental Conditions that have been identified at or adjacent to the Site; and
 2. Technical Data contained in such reports and drawings.
- B. *Reliance by Contractor on Technical Data Authorized:* Contractor may rely upon the accuracy of the Technical Data expressly identified in the Supplementary Conditions with respect to such reports and drawings, but such reports and drawings are not Contract Documents. If no such express identification has been made, then Contractor may rely on the accuracy of the Technical Data (as defined in Article 1) contained in any geotechnical or environmental report prepared for the Project and made available to Contractor. Except for such reliance on Technical Data, Contractor may not rely upon or make any claim against Owner or Engineer, or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors with respect to:
1. the completeness of such reports and drawings for Contractor's purposes, including, but not limited to, any aspects of the means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures of construction to be employed by Contractor and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or
 2. other data, interpretations, opinions and information contained in such reports or shown or indicated in such drawings; or
 3. any Contractor interpretation of or conclusion drawn from any Technical Data or any such other data, interpretations, opinions or information.
- C. Contractor shall not be responsible for removing or remediating any Hazardous Environmental Condition encountered, uncovered, or revealed at the Site unless such removal or remediation is expressly identified in the Contract Documents to be within the scope of the Work.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for controlling, containing, and duly removing all Constituents of Concern brought to the Site by Contractor, Subcontractors, Suppliers, or anyone else for whom Contractor is responsible, and for any associated costs; and for the costs of removing and remediating any Hazardous Environmental Condition created by the presence of any such Constituents of Concern.
- E. If Contractor encounters, uncovers, or reveals a Hazardous Environmental Condition whose removal or remediation is not expressly identified in the Contract Documents as being within the scope of the Work, or if Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible creates a Hazardous Environmental Condition, then Contractor shall immediately: (1) secure or otherwise isolate such condition; (2) stop all Work in connection with such condition and in any area affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by Paragraph 7.15); and (3) notify Owner and Engineer (and promptly thereafter confirm such notice in writing). Owner shall promptly consult with Engineer concerning the necessity for Owner to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such condition or take corrective action, if any. Promptly after consulting with Engineer, Owner shall take such actions as are necessary to permit Owner to timely obtain required permits and provide Contractor the written notice required by Paragraph 5.06.F. If Contractor or anyone for whom Contractor is responsible created the Hazardous Environmental Condition in question, then Owner may remove and remediate the Hazardous Environmental Condition, and impose a set-off against payments to account for the associated costs.

- F. Contractor shall not resume Work in connection with such Hazardous Environmental Condition or in any affected area until after Owner has obtained any required permits related thereto, and delivered written notice to Contractor either (1) specifying that such condition and any affected area is or has been rendered safe for the resumption of Work, or (2) specifying any special conditions under which such Work may be resumed safely.
- G. If Owner and Contractor cannot agree as to entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, as a result of such Work stoppage or such special conditions under which Work is agreed to be resumed by Contractor, then within 30 days of Owner's written notice regarding the resumption of Work, Contractor may submit a Change Proposal, or Owner may impose a set-off.
- H. If after receipt of such written notice Contractor does not agree to resume such Work based on a reasonable belief it is unsafe, or does not agree to resume such Work under such special conditions, then Owner may order the portion of the Work that is in the area affected by such condition to be deleted from the Work, following the contractual change procedures in Article 11. Owner may have such deleted portion of the Work performed by Owner's own forces or others in accordance with Article 8.
- I. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to a Hazardous Environmental Condition, provided that such Hazardous Environmental Condition (1) was not shown or indicated in the Drawings, Specifications, or other Contract Documents, identified as Technical Data entitled to limited reliance pursuant to Paragraph 5.06.B, or identified in the Contract Documents to be included within the scope of the Work, and (2) was not created by Contractor or by anyone for whom Contractor is responsible. Nothing in this Paragraph 5.06.I shall obligate Owner to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence.
- J. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to the failure to control, contain, or remove a Constituent of Concern brought to the Site by Contractor or by anyone for whom Contractor is responsible, or to a Hazardous Environmental Condition created by Contractor or by anyone for whom Contractor is responsible. Nothing in this Paragraph 5.06.J shall obligate Contractor to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence.
- K. The provisions of Paragraphs 5.03, 5.04, and 5.05 do not apply to the presence of Constituents of Concern or to a Hazardous Environmental Condition uncovered or revealed at the Site.

ARTICLE 6 – BONDS AND INSURANCE

6.01 *Performance, Payment, and Other Bonds*

- A. Contractor shall furnish a performance bond and a payment bond, each in an amount at least equal to the Contract Price, as security for the faithful performance and payment of all of Contractor's obligations under the Contract. These bonds shall remain in effect until one year after the date when final payment becomes due or until completion of the correction period specified in Paragraph 15.08, whichever is later, except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, the Supplementary Conditions, or other specific provisions of the Contract. Contractor shall also furnish such other bonds as are required by the Supplementary Conditions or other specific provisions of the Contract.
- B. All bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the Contract except as provided otherwise by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (as amended and supplemented) by the Financial Management Service, Surety Bond Branch, U.S. Department of the Treasury. A bond signed by an agent or attorney-in-fact must be accompanied by a certified copy of that individual's authority to bind the surety. The evidence of authority shall show that it is effective on the date the agent or attorney-in-fact signed the accompanying bond.
- C. Contractor shall obtain the required bonds from surety companies that are duly licensed or authorized in the jurisdiction in which the Project is located to issue bonds in the required amounts.
- D. If the surety on a bond furnished by Contractor is declared bankrupt or becomes insolvent, or its right to do business is terminated in any state or jurisdiction where any part of the Project is located, or the surety ceases to meet the requirements above, then Contractor shall promptly notify Owner and Engineer and shall, within 20 days after the event giving rise to such notification, provide another bond and surety, both of which shall comply with the bond and surety requirements above.
- E. If Contractor has failed to obtain a required bond, Owner may exclude the Contractor from the Site and exercise Owner's termination rights under Article 16.
- F. Upon request, Owner shall provide a copy of the payment bond to any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other person or entity claiming to have furnished labor or materials used in the performance of the Work.

6.02 *Insurance—General Provisions*

- A. Owner and Contractor shall obtain and maintain insurance as required in this Article and in the Supplementary Conditions.
- B. All insurance required by the Contract to be purchased and maintained by Owner or Contractor shall be obtained from insurance companies that are duly licensed or authorized, in the state or jurisdiction in which the Project is located, to issue insurance policies for the required limits and coverages. Unless a different standard is indicated in the Supplementary Conditions, all companies that provide insurance policies required under this Contract shall have an A.M. Best rating of A-VII or better.
- C. Contractor shall deliver to Owner, with copies to each named insured and additional insured (as identified in this Article, in the Supplementary Conditions, or elsewhere in the Contract), certificates of insurance establishing that Contractor has obtained and is

maintaining the policies, coverages, and endorsements required by the Contract. Upon request by Owner or any other insured, Contractor shall also furnish other evidence of such required insurance, including but not limited to copies of policies and endorsements, and documentation of applicable self-insured retentions and deductibles. Contractor may block out (redact) any confidential premium or pricing information contained in any policy or endorsement furnished under this provision.

- D. Owner shall deliver to Contractor, with copies to each named insured and additional insured (as identified in this Article, the Supplementary Conditions, or elsewhere in the Contract), certificates of insurance establishing that Owner has obtained and is maintaining the policies, coverages, and endorsements required of Owner by the Contract (if any). Upon request by Contractor or any other insured, Owner shall also provide other evidence of such required insurance (if any), including but not limited to copies of policies and endorsements, and documentation of applicable self-insured retentions and deductibles. Owner may block out (redact) any confidential premium or pricing information contained in any policy or endorsement furnished under this provision.
- E. Failure of Owner or Contractor to demand such certificates or other evidence of the other party's full compliance with these insurance requirements, or failure of Owner or Contractor to identify a deficiency in compliance from the evidence provided, shall not be construed as a waiver of the other party's obligation to obtain and maintain such insurance.
- F. If either party does not purchase or maintain all of the insurance required of such party by the Contract, such party shall notify the other party in writing of such failure to purchase prior to the start of the Work, or of such failure to maintain prior to any change in the required coverage.
- G. If Contractor has failed to obtain and maintain required insurance, Owner may exclude the Contractor from the Site, impose an appropriate set-off against payment, and exercise Owner's termination rights under Article 16.
- H. Without prejudice to any other right or remedy, if a party has failed to obtain required insurance, the other party may elect to obtain equivalent insurance to protect such other party's interests at the expense of the party who was required to provide such coverage, and the Contract Price shall be adjusted accordingly.
- I. Owner does not represent that insurance coverage and limits established in this Contract necessarily will be adequate to protect Contractor or Contractor's interests.
- J. The insurance and insurance limits required herein shall not be deemed as a limitation on Contractor's liability under the indemnities granted to Owner and other individuals and entities in the Contract.

6.03 *Contractor's Insurance*

- A. *Workers' Compensation:* Contractor shall purchase and maintain workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance for:
 1. claims under workers' compensation, disability benefits, and other similar employee benefit acts.
 2. United States Longshoreman and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act and Jones Act coverage (if applicable).
 3. claims for damages because of bodily injury, occupational sickness or disease, or death of Contractor's employees (by stop-gap endorsement in monopolist worker's compensation states).

4. Foreign voluntary worker compensation (if applicable).
- B. *Commercial General Liability—Claims Covered:* Contractor shall purchase and maintain commercial general liability insurance, covering all operations by or on behalf of Contractor, on an occurrence basis, against:
1. claims for damages because of bodily injury, sickness or disease, or death of any person other than Contractor's employees.
 2. claims for damages insured by reasonably available personal injury liability coverage.
 3. claims for damages, other than to the Work itself, because of injury to or destruction of tangible property wherever located, including loss of use resulting therefrom.
- C. *Commercial General Liability—Form and Content:* Contractor's commercial liability policy shall be written on a 1996 (or later) ISO commercial general liability form (occurrence form) and include the following coverages and endorsements:
1. Products and completed operations coverage:
 - a. Such insurance shall be maintained for three years after final payment.
 - b. Contractor shall furnish Owner and each other additional insured (as identified in the Supplementary Conditions or elsewhere in the Contract) evidence of continuation of such insurance at final payment and three years thereafter.
 2. Blanket contractual liability coverage, to the extent permitted by law, including but not limited to coverage of Contractor's contractual indemnity obligations in Paragraph 7.18.
 3. Broad form property damage coverage.
 4. Severability of interest.
 5. Underground, explosion, and collapse coverage.
 6. Personal injury coverage.
 7. Additional insured endorsements that include both ongoing operations and products and completed operations coverage through ISO Endorsements CG 20 10 10 01 and CG 20 37 10 01 (together); or CG 20 10 07 04 and CG 20 37 07 04 (together); or their equivalent.
 8. For design professional additional insureds, ISO Endorsement CG 20 32 07 04, "Additional Insured—Engineers, Architects or Surveyors Not Engaged by the Named Insured" or its equivalent.
- D. *Automobile liability:* Contractor shall purchase and maintain automobile liability insurance against claims for damages because of bodily injury or death of any person or property damage arising out of the ownership, maintenance, or use of any motor vehicle. The automobile liability policy shall be written on an occurrence basis.
- E. *Umbrella or excess liability:* Contractor shall purchase and maintain umbrella or excess liability insurance written over the underlying employer's liability, commercial general liability, and automobile liability insurance described in the paragraphs above. Subject to industry-standard exclusions, the coverage afforded shall follow form as to each and every one of the underlying policies.
- F. *Contractor's pollution liability insurance:* Contractor shall purchase and maintain a policy covering third-party injury and property damage claims, including clean-up costs, as a result

of pollution conditions arising from Contractor's operations and completed operations. This insurance shall be maintained for no less than three years after final completion.

- G. *Additional insureds:* The Contractor's commercial general liability, automobile liability, umbrella or excess, and pollution liability policies shall include and list as additional insureds Owner and Engineer, and any individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions; include coverage for the respective officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of all such additional insureds; and the insurance afforded to these additional insureds shall provide primary coverage for all claims covered thereby (including as applicable those arising from both ongoing and completed operations) on a non-contributory basis. Contractor shall obtain all necessary endorsements to support these requirements.
- H. *Contractor's professional liability insurance:* If Contractor will provide or furnish professional services under this Contract, through a delegation of professional design services or otherwise, then Contractor shall be responsible for purchasing and maintaining applicable professional liability insurance. This insurance shall provide protection against claims arising out of performance of professional design or related services, and caused by a negligent error, omission, or act for which the insured party is legally liable. It shall be maintained throughout the duration of the Contract and for a minimum of two years after Substantial Completion. If such professional design services are performed by a Subcontractor, and not by Contractor itself, then the requirements of this paragraph may be satisfied through the purchasing and maintenance of such insurance by such Subcontractor.
- I. *General provisions:* The policies of insurance required by this Paragraph 6.03 shall:
1. include at least the specific coverages provided in this Article.
 2. be written for not less than the limits of liability provided in this Article and in the Supplementary Conditions, or required by Laws or Regulations, whichever is greater.
 3. contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled, materially changed, or renewal refused until at least 10 days prior written notice has been given to Contractor. Within three days of receipt of any such written notice, Contractor shall provide a copy of the notice to Owner, Engineer, and each other insured under the policy.
 4. remain in effect at least until final payment (and longer if expressly required in this Article) and at all times thereafter when Contractor may be correcting, removing, or replacing defective Work as a warranty or correction obligation, or otherwise, or returning to the Site to conduct other tasks arising from the Contract Documents.
 5. be appropriate for the Work being performed and provide protection from claims that may arise out of or result from Contractor's performance of the Work and Contractor's other obligations under the Contract Documents, whether it is to be performed by Contractor, any Subcontractor or Supplier, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or by anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.
- J. The coverage requirements for specific policies of insurance must be met by such policies, and not by reference to excess or umbrella insurance provided in other policies.

6.04 *Owner's Liability Insurance*

- A. In addition to the insurance required to be provided by Contractor under Paragraph 6.03, Owner, at Owner's option, may purchase and maintain at Owner's expense Owner's own liability insurance as will protect Owner against claims which may arise from operations under the Contract Documents.
- B. Owner's liability policies, if any, operate separately and independently from policies required to be provided by Contractor, and Contractor cannot rely upon Owner's liability policies for any of Contractor's obligations to the Owner, Engineer, or third parties.

6.05 *Property Insurance*

- A. *Builder's Risk*: Unless otherwise provided in the Supplementary Conditions, Contractor shall purchase and maintain builder's risk insurance upon the Work on a completed value basis, in the amount of the full insurable replacement cost thereof (subject to such deductible amounts as may be provided in the Supplementary Conditions or required by Laws and Regulations). This insurance shall:
 1. include the Owner and Contractor as named insureds, and all Subcontractors, and any individuals or entities required by the Supplementary Conditions to be insured under such builder's risk policy, as insureds or named insureds. For purposes of the remainder of this Paragraph 6.05, Paragraphs 6.06 and 6.07, and any corresponding Supplementary Conditions, the parties required to be insured shall collectively be referred to as "insureds."
 2. be written on a builder's risk "all risk" policy form that shall at least include insurance for physical loss or damage to the Work, temporary buildings, falsework, and materials and equipment in transit, and shall 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; demolition occasioned by enforcement of Laws and Regulations; water damage (other than that caused by flood); and such other perils or causes of loss as may be specifically required by the Supplementary Conditions. If insurance against mechanical breakdown, boiler explosion, and artificially generated electric current; earthquake; volcanic activity, and other earth movement; or flood, are not commercially available under builder's risk policies, by endorsement or otherwise, such insurance may be provided through other insurance policies acceptable to Owner and Contractor.
 3. cover, as insured property, at least the following: (a) the Work and all materials, supplies, machinery, apparatus, equipment, fixtures, 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 Owner-furnished or assigned property; (b) spare parts inventory required within the scope of the Contract; and (c) temporary works which are not intended to form part of the permanent constructed Work but which are intended to provide working access to the Site, 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.
 4. cover expenses incurred in the repair or replacement of any insured property (including but not limited to fees and charges of engineers and architects).

5. extend to cover damage or loss to insured property while in temporary storage at the Site or in a storage location outside the Site (but not including property stored at the premises of a manufacturer or Supplier).
 6. extend to cover damage or loss to insured property while in transit.
 7. allow for partial occupation or use of the Work by Owner, such that those portions of the Work that are not yet occupied or used by Owner shall remain covered by the builder's risk insurance.
 8. allow for the waiver of the insurer's subrogation rights, as set forth below.
 9. provide primary coverage for all losses and damages caused by the perils or causes of loss covered.
 10. not include a co-insurance clause.
 11. include an exception for ensuing losses from physical damage or loss with respect to any defective workmanship, design, or materials exclusions.
 12. include performance/hot testing and start-up.
 13. be maintained in effect, subject to the provisions herein regarding Substantial Completion and partial occupancy or use of the Work by Owner, until the Work is complete.
- B. *Notice of Cancellation or Change:* All the policies of insurance (and the certificates or other evidence thereof) required to be purchased and maintained in accordance with this Paragraph 6.05 will contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled or materially changed or renewal refused until at least 10 days prior written notice has been given to the purchasing policyholder. Within three days of receipt of any such written notice, the purchasing policyholder shall provide a copy of the notice to each other insured.
- C. *Deductibles:* The purchaser of any required builder's risk or property insurance shall pay for costs not covered because of the application of a policy deductible.
- D. *Partial Occupancy or Use by Owner:* If Owner will occupy or use a portion or portions of the Work prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work as provided in Paragraph 15.04, then Owner (directly, if it is the purchaser of the builder's risk policy, or through Contractor) will provide notice of such occupancy or use to the builder's risk insurer. The builder's risk insurance shall not be canceled or permitted to lapse on account of any such partial use or occupancy; rather, those portions of the Work that are occupied or used by Owner may come off the builder's risk policy, while those portions of the Work not yet occupied or used by Owner shall remain covered by the builder's risk insurance.
- E. *Additional Insurance:* If Contractor elects to obtain other special insurance to be included in or supplement the builder's risk or property insurance policies provided under this Paragraph 6.05, it may do so at Contractor's expense.
- F. *Insurance of Other Property:* If the express insurance provisions of the Contract do not require or address the insurance of a property item or interest, such as tools, construction equipment, or other personal property owned by Contractor, a Subcontractor, or an employee of Contractor or a Subcontractor, then the entity or individual owning such property item will be responsible for deciding whether to insure it, and if so in what amount.

6.06 *Waiver of Rights*

- A. All policies purchased in accordance with Paragraph 6.05, expressly including the builder's risk policy, shall contain provisions to the effect that in the event of payment of any loss or damage the insurers will have no rights of recovery against any insureds thereunder, or against Engineer or its consultants, or their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors. Owner and Contractor waive all rights against each other and the respective officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them, for all losses and damages caused by, arising out of, or resulting from any of the perils or causes of loss covered by such policies and any other property insurance applicable to the Work; and, in addition, waive all such rights against Engineer, its consultants, all Subcontractors, all individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions as insureds, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them, under such policies for losses and damages so caused. None of the above waivers shall extend to the rights that any party making such waiver may have to the proceeds of insurance held by Owner or Contractor as trustee or fiduciary, or otherwise payable under any policy so issued.
- B. Owner waives all rights against Contractor, Subcontractors, and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them, for:
1. loss due to business interruption, loss of use, or other consequential loss extending beyond direct physical loss or damage to Owner's property or the Work caused by, arising out of, or resulting from fire or other perils whether or not insured by Owner; and
 2. loss or damage to the completed Project or part thereof caused by, arising out of, or resulting from fire or other insured peril or cause of loss covered by any property insurance maintained on the completed Project or part thereof by Owner during partial occupancy or use pursuant to Paragraph 15.04, after Substantial Completion pursuant to Paragraph 15.03, or after final payment pursuant to Paragraph 15.06.
- C. Any insurance policy maintained by Owner covering any loss, damage or consequential loss referred to in Paragraph 6.06.B shall contain provisions to the effect that in the event of payment of any such loss, damage, or consequential loss, the insurers will have no rights of recovery against Contractor, Subcontractors, or Engineer, or the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors of each and any of them.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for assuring that the agreement under which a Subcontractor performs a portion of the Work contains provisions whereby the Subcontractor waives all rights against Owner, Contractor, all individuals or entities identified in the Supplementary Conditions as insureds, the Engineer and its consultants, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them, for all losses and damages caused by, arising out of, relating to, or resulting from any of the perils or causes of loss covered by builder's risk insurance and any other property insurance applicable to the Work.

6.07 *Receipt and Application of Property Insurance Proceeds*

- A. Any insured loss under the builder's risk and other policies of insurance required by Paragraph 6.05 will be adjusted and settled with the named insured that purchased the

policy. Such named insured shall act as fiduciary for the other insureds, and give notice to such other insureds that adjustment and settlement of a claim is in progress. Any other insured may state its position regarding a claim for insured loss in writing within 15 days after notice of such claim.

- B. Proceeds for such insured losses may be made payable by the insurer either jointly to multiple insureds, or to the named insured that purchased the policy in its own right and as fiduciary for other insureds, subject to the requirements of any applicable mortgage clause. A named insured receiving insurance proceeds under the builder's risk and other policies of insurance required by Paragraph 6.05 shall distribute such proceeds in accordance with such agreement as the parties in interest may reach, or as otherwise required under the dispute resolution provisions of this Contract or applicable Laws and Regulations.
- C. If no other special agreement is reached, the damaged Work shall be repaired or replaced, the money so received applied on account thereof, and the Work and the cost thereof covered by Change Order, if needed.

ARTICLE 7 – CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.01 *Supervision and Superintendence*

- A. Contractor shall supervise, inspect, and direct the Work competently and efficiently, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction.
- B. At all times during the progress of the Work, Contractor shall assign a competent resident superintendent who shall not be replaced without written notice to Owner and Engineer except under extraordinary circumstances.

7.02 *Labor; Working Hours*

- A. Contractor shall provide competent, suitably qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract Documents. Contractor shall at all times maintain good discipline and order at the Site.
- B. Except as otherwise required for the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, and except as otherwise stated in the Contract Documents, all Work at the Site 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 Owner's written consent, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

7.03 *Services, Materials, and Equipment*

- A. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall provide and assume full responsibility for all services, materials, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment and machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water, sanitary facilities, temporary facilities, and all other facilities and incidentals necessary for the performance, testing, start up, and completion of the Work, whether or not such items are specifically called for in the Contract Documents.
- B. All materials and equipment incorporated into the Work shall be of good quality and new, except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents. All special warranties and

guarantees required by the Specifications shall expressly run to the benefit of Owner. If required by Engineer, Contractor shall furnish satisfactory evidence (including reports of required tests) as to the source, kind, and quality of materials and equipment.

- C. All materials and equipment shall be stored, applied, installed, connected, erected, protected, used, cleaned, and conditioned in accordance with instructions of the applicable Supplier, except as otherwise may be provided in the Contract Documents.

7.04 "Or Equals"

- A. Whenever an item of material or equipment is specified or described in the Contract Documents by using the name of a proprietary item or the name of a particular Supplier, the Contract Price has been based upon Contractor furnishing such item as specified. The specification or description of such an item is intended to establish the type, function, appearance, and quality required. Unless the specification or description contains or is followed by words reading that no like, equivalent, or "or equal" item is permitted, Contractor may request that Engineer authorize the use of other items of material or equipment, or items from other proposed suppliers under the circumstances described below.
 - 1. If Engineer in its sole discretion determines that an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor is functionally equal to that named and sufficiently similar so that no change in related Work will be required, Engineer shall deem it an "or equal" item. For the purposes of this paragraph, a proposed item of material or equipment will be considered functionally equal to an item so named if:
 - a. in the exercise of reasonable judgment Engineer determines that:
 - 1) it is at least equal in materials of construction, quality, durability, appearance, strength, and design characteristics;
 - 2) it will reliably perform at least equally well the function and achieve the results imposed by the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole;
 - 3) it has a proven record of performance and availability of responsive service; and
 - 4) it is not objectionable to Owner.
 - b. Contractor certifies that, if approved and incorporated into the Work:
 - 1) there will be no increase in cost to the Owner or increase in Contract Times; and
 - 2) it will conform substantially to the detailed requirements of the item named in the Contract Documents.
- B. *Contractor's Expense:* Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed "or equal" item at Contractor's expense.
- C. *Engineer's Evaluation and Determination:* Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time to evaluate each "or-equal" request. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish additional data about the proposed "or-equal" item. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. No "or-equal" item will be ordered, furnished, installed, or utilized until Engineer's review is complete and Engineer determines that the proposed item is an "or-equal", which will be evidenced by an approved Shop Drawing or other written communication. Engineer will advise Contractor in writing of any negative determination.

- D. *Effect of Engineer's Determination*: Neither approval nor denial of an "or-equal" request shall result in any change in Contract Price. The Engineer's denial of an "or-equal" request shall be final and binding, and may not be reversed through an appeal under any provision of the Contract Documents.
- E. *Treatment as a Substitution Request*: If Engineer determines that an item of material or equipment proposed by Contractor does not qualify as an "or-equal" item, Contractor may request that Engineer considered the proposed item as a substitute pursuant to Paragraph 7.05.

7.05 Substitutes

- A. Unless the specification or description of an item of material or equipment required to be furnished under the Contract Documents contains or is followed by words reading that no substitution is permitted, Contractor may request that Engineer authorize the use of other items of material or equipment under the circumstances described below. To the extent possible such requests shall be made before commencement of related construction at the Site.
1. Contractor shall submit sufficient information as provided below to allow Engineer to determine if the item of material or equipment proposed is functionally equivalent to that named and an acceptable substitute therefor. Engineer will not accept requests for review of proposed substitute items of material or equipment from anyone other than Contractor.
 2. The requirements for review by Engineer will be as set forth in Paragraph 7.05.B, as supplemented by the Specifications, and as Engineer may decide is appropriate under the circumstances.
 3. Contractor shall make written application to Engineer for review of a proposed substitute item of material or equipment that Contractor seeks to furnish or use. The application:
 - a. shall certify that the proposed substitute item will:
 - 1) perform adequately the functions and achieve the results called for by the general design,
 - 2) be similar in substance to that specified, and
 - 3) be suited to the same use as that specified.
 - b. will state:
 - 1) the extent, if any, to which the use of the proposed substitute item will necessitate a change in Contract Times,
 - 2) whether use of the proposed substitute item in the Work will require a change in any of the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner for other work on the Project) to adapt the design to the proposed substitute item, and
 - 3) whether incorporation or use of the proposed substitute item in connection with the Work is subject to payment of any license fee or royalty.
 - c. will identify:
 - 1) all variations of the proposed substitute item from that specified, and

- 2) available engineering, sales, maintenance, repair, and replacement services.
 - d. shall contain an itemized estimate of all costs or credits that will result directly or indirectly from use of such substitute item, including but not limited to changes in Contract Price, shared savings, costs of redesign, and claims of other contractors affected by any resulting change.
 - B. *Engineer's Evaluation and Determination:* Engineer will be allowed a reasonable time to evaluate each substitute request, and to obtain comments and direction from Owner. Engineer may require Contractor to furnish additional data about the proposed substitute item. Engineer will be the sole judge of acceptability. No substitute will be ordered, furnished, installed, or utilized until Engineer's review is complete and Engineer determines that the proposed item is an acceptable substitute. Engineer's determination will be evidenced by a Field Order or a proposed Change Order accounting for the substitution itself and all related impacts, including changes in Contract Price or Contract Times. Engineer will advise Contractor in writing of any negative determination.
 - C. *Special Guarantee:* Owner may require Contractor to furnish at Contractor's expense a special performance guarantee or other surety with respect to any substitute.
 - D. *Reimbursement of Engineer's Cost:* Engineer will record Engineer's costs in evaluating a substitute proposed or submitted by Contractor. Whether or not Engineer approves a substitute so proposed or submitted by Contractor, Contractor shall reimburse Owner for the reasonable charges of Engineer for evaluating each such proposed substitute. Contractor shall also reimburse Owner for the reasonable charges of Engineer for making changes in the Contract Documents (or in the provisions of any other direct contract with Owner) resulting from the acceptance of each proposed substitute.
 - E. *Contractor's Expense:* Contractor shall provide all data in support of any proposed substitute at Contractor's expense.
 - F. *Effect of Engineer's Determination:* If Engineer approves the substitution request, Contractor shall execute the proposed Change Order and proceed with the substitution. The Engineer's denial of a substitution request shall be final and binding, and may not be reversed through an appeal under any provision of the Contract Documents. Contractor may challenge the scope of reimbursement costs imposed under Paragraph 7.05.D, by timely submittal of a Change Proposal.
- 7.06 *Concerning Subcontractors, Suppliers, and Others*
- A. Contractor may retain Subcontractors and Suppliers for the performance of parts of the Work. Such Subcontractors and Suppliers must be acceptable to Owner.
 - B. Contractor shall retain specific Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other individuals or entities for the performance of designated parts of the Work if required by the Contract to do so.
 - C. Subsequent to the submittal of Contractor's Bid or final negotiation of the terms of the Contract, Owner may not require Contractor to retain any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity to furnish or perform any of the Work against which Contractor has reasonable objection.
 - D. Prior to entry into any binding subcontract or purchase order, Contractor shall submit to Owner the identity of the proposed Subcontractor or Supplier (unless Owner has already deemed such proposed Subcontractor or Supplier acceptable, during the bidding process or otherwise). Such proposed Subcontractor or Supplier shall be deemed acceptable to Owner unless Owner raises a substantive, reasonable objection within five days.

- E. Owner may require the replacement of any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity retained by Contractor to perform any part of the Work. Owner also may require Contractor to retain specific replacements; provided, however, that Owner may not require a replacement to which Contractor has a reasonable objection. If Contractor has submitted the identity of certain Subcontractors, Suppliers, or other individuals or entities for acceptance by Owner, and Owner has accepted it (either in writing or by failing to make written objection thereto), then Owner may subsequently revoke the acceptance of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity so identified solely on the basis of substantive, reasonable objection after due investigation. Contractor shall submit an acceptable replacement for the rejected Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity.
- F. If Owner requires the replacement of any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity retained by Contractor to perform any part of the Work, then Contractor shall be entitled to an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, with respect to the replacement; and Contractor shall initiate a Change Proposal for such adjustment within 30 days of Owner's requirement of replacement.
- G. No acceptance by Owner of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity, whether initially or as a replacement, shall constitute a waiver of the right of Owner to the completion of the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- H. On a monthly basis Contractor shall submit to Engineer a complete list of all Subcontractors and Suppliers having a direct contract with Contractor, and of all other Subcontractors and Suppliers known to Contractor at the time of submittal.
- I. Contractor shall be fully responsible to Owner and Engineer for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors, Suppliers, and other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work just as Contractor is responsible for Contractor's own acts and omissions.
- J. Contractor shall be solely responsible for scheduling and coordinating the work of Subcontractors, Suppliers, and all other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work.
- K. Contractor shall restrict all Subcontractors, Suppliers, and such other individuals or entities performing or furnishing any of the Work from communicating with Engineer or Owner, except through Contractor or in case of an emergency, or as otherwise expressly allowed herein.
- L. The divisions and sections of the Specifications and the identifications of any Drawings shall not control Contractor in dividing the Work among Subcontractors or Suppliers or delineating the Work to be performed by any specific trade.
- M. All Work performed for Contractor by a Subcontractor or Supplier shall be pursuant to an appropriate contractual agreement that specifically binds the Subcontractor or Supplier to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents for the benefit of Owner and Engineer.
- N. Owner may furnish to any Subcontractor or Supplier, to the extent practicable, information about amounts paid to Contractor on account of Work performed for Contractor by the particular Subcontractor or Supplier.

O. Nothing in the Contract Documents:

1. shall create for the benefit of any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity any contractual relationship between Owner or Engineer and any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity; nor
2. shall create any obligation on the part of Owner or Engineer to pay or to see to the payment of any money due any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity except as may otherwise be required by Laws and Regulations.

7.07 *Patent Fees and Royalties*

- A. Contractor shall pay all license fees and royalties and assume all costs incident to the use in the performance of the Work or the incorporation in the Work of any invention, design, process, product, or device which is the subject of patent rights or copyrights held by others. If a particular invention, design, process, product, or device is specified in the Contract Documents for use in the performance of the Work and if, to the actual knowledge of Owner or Engineer, its use is subject to patent rights or copyrights calling for the payment of any license fee or royalty to others, the existence of such rights shall be disclosed by Owner in the Contract Documents.
- B. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, and its officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals, and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to 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 specified in the Contract Documents, but not identified as being subject to payment of any license fee or royalty to others required by patent rights or copyrights.
- C. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to 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.

7.08 *Permits*

- A. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, Contractor shall obtain and pay for all construction permits and licenses. Owner shall assist Contractor, when necessary, in obtaining such permits and licenses. Contractor shall pay all governmental charges and inspection fees necessary for the prosecution of the Work which are applicable at the time of the submission of Contractor's Bid (or when Contractor became bound under a negotiated contract). Owner shall pay all charges of utility owners for connections for providing permanent service to the Work

7.09 *Taxes*

- A. Contractor shall pay all sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes required to be paid by Contractor in accordance with the Laws and Regulations of the place of the Project which are applicable during the performance of the Work.

7.10 *Laws and Regulations*

- A. Contractor shall give all notices required by and shall comply with all Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Except where otherwise expressly required by applicable Laws and Regulations, neither Owner nor Engineer shall be responsible for monitoring Contractor's compliance with any Laws or Regulations.
- B. If Contractor performs any Work or takes any other action knowing or having reason to know that it is contrary to Laws or Regulations, Contractor shall bear all resulting costs and losses, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such Work or other action. It shall not be Contractor's responsibility to make certain that the Work described in the Contract Documents is in accordance with Laws and Regulations, but this shall not relieve Contractor of Contractor's obligations under Paragraph 3.03.
- C. Owner or Contractor may give notice to the other party of any changes after the submission of Contractor's Bid (or after the date when Contractor became bound under a negotiated contract) in Laws or Regulations having an effect on the cost or time of performance of the Work, including but not limited to changes in Laws or Regulations having an effect on procuring permits and on sales, use, value-added, consumption, and other similar taxes. If Owner and Contractor are unable to agree on entitlement to or on the amount or extent, if any, of any adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times resulting from such changes, then within 30 days of such notice Contractor may submit a Change Proposal, or Owner may initiate a Claim.

7.11 *Record Documents*

- A. Contractor shall maintain in a safe place at the Site one printed record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, written interpretations and clarifications, and approved Shop Drawings. Contractor shall keep such record documents in good order and annotate them to show changes made during construction. These record documents, together with all approved Samples, will be available to Engineer for reference. Upon completion of the Work, Contractor shall deliver these record documents to Engineer.

7.12 *Safety and Protection*

- A. Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Such responsibility does not relieve Subcontractors of their responsibility for the safety of persons or property in the performance of their work, nor for compliance with applicable safety Laws and Regulations. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:
 1. all persons on the Site or who may be affected by the Work;

2. all the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the Site; and
 3. other property at the Site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, other work in progress, utilities, and Underground Facilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.
- B. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Laws and Regulations relating to the safety of persons or property, or to the protection of persons or property from damage, injury, or loss; and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. Contractor shall notify Owner; the owners of adjacent property, Underground Facilities, and other utilities; and other contractors and utility owners performing work at or adjacent to the Site, when prosecution of the Work may affect them, and shall cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation, and replacement of their property or work in progress.
 - C. Contractor shall comply with the applicable requirements of Owner's safety programs, if any. The Supplementary Conditions identify any Owner's safety programs that are applicable to the Work.
 - D. Contractor shall inform Owner and Engineer of the specific requirements of Contractor's safety program with which Owner's and Engineer's employees and representatives must comply while at the Site.
 - E. All damage, injury, or loss to any property referred to in Paragraph 7.12.A.2 or 7.12.A.3 caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by Contractor, any Subcontractor, Supplier, or any other individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, shall be remedied by Contractor at its expense (except damage or loss attributable to the fault of Drawings or Specifications or to the acts or omissions of Owner or Engineer or anyone employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, and not attributable, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, to the fault or negligence of Contractor or any Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them).
 - F. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and protection shall continue until such time as all the Work is completed and Engineer has issued a notice to Owner and Contractor in accordance with Paragraph 15.06.B that the Work is acceptable (except as otherwise expressly provided in connection with Substantial Completion).
 - G. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for safety and protection shall resume whenever Contractor or any Subcontractor or Supplier returns to the Site to fulfill warranty or correction obligations, or to conduct other tasks arising from the Contract Documents.

7.13 *Safety Representative*

- A. Contractor shall designate a qualified and experienced safety representative at the Site whose duties and responsibilities shall be the prevention of accidents and the maintaining and supervising of safety precautions and programs.

7.14 *Hazard Communication Programs*

- A. Contractor shall be responsible for coordinating any exchange of material safety data sheets or other hazard communication information required to be made available to or

exchanged between or among employers at the Site in accordance with Laws or Regulations.

7.15 *Emergencies*

- A. In emergencies affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the Site or adjacent thereto, Contractor is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury, or loss. Contractor shall give Engineer prompt written notice if Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract Documents have been caused thereby or are required as a result thereof. If Engineer determines that a change in the Contract Documents is required because of the action taken by Contractor in response to such an emergency, a Work Change Directive or Change Order will be issued.

7.16 *Shop Drawings, Samples, and Other Submittals*

A. *Shop Drawing and Sample Submittal Requirements:*

1. Before submitting a Shop Drawing or Sample, Contractor shall have:
 - a. reviewed and coordinated the Shop Drawing or Sample with other Shop Drawings and Samples and with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents;
 - b. determined and verified all field measurements, quantities, dimensions, specified performance and design criteria, installation requirements, materials, catalog numbers, and similar information with respect thereto;
 - c. determined and verified the suitability of all materials and equipment offered with respect to the indicated application, fabrication, shipping, handling, storage, assembly, and installation pertaining to the performance of the Work; and
 - d. determined and verified all information relative to Contractor's responsibilities for means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, and safety precautions and programs incident thereto.
2. Each submittal shall bear a stamp or specific written certification that Contractor has satisfied Contractor's obligations under the Contract Documents with respect to Contractor's review of that submittal, and that Contractor approves the submittal.
3. With each submittal, Contractor shall give Engineer specific written notice of any variations that the Shop Drawing or Sample may have from the requirements of the Contract Documents. This notice shall be set forth in a written communication separate from the Shop Drawings or Sample submittal; and, in addition, in the case of Shop Drawings by a specific notation made on each Shop Drawing submitted to Engineer for review and approval of each such variation.

- B. *Submittal Procedures for Shop Drawings and Samples:* Contractor shall submit Shop Drawings and Samples to Engineer for review and approval in accordance with the accepted Schedule of Submittals. Each submittal will be identified as Engineer may require.

1. *Shop Drawings:*

- a. Contractor shall submit the number of copies required in the Specifications.
- b. Data shown on the Shop Drawings will be complete with respect to quantities, dimensions, specified performance and design criteria, materials, and similar data to show Engineer the services, materials, and equipment Contractor proposes to

provide and to enable Engineer to review the information for the limited purposes required by Paragraph 7.16.D.

2. *Samples:*
 - a. Contractor shall submit the number of Samples required in the Specifications.
 - b. Contractor shall clearly identify each Sample as to material, Supplier, pertinent data such as catalog numbers, the use for which intended and other data as Engineer may require to enable Engineer to review the submittal for the limited purposes required by Paragraph 7.16.D.
3. Where a Shop Drawing or Sample is required by the Contract Documents or the Schedule of Submittals, any related Work performed prior to Engineer's review and approval of the pertinent submittal will be at the sole expense and responsibility of Contractor.
- C. *Other Submittals:* Contractor shall submit other submittals to Engineer in accordance with the accepted Schedule of Submittals, and pursuant to the applicable terms of the Specifications.
- D. *Engineer's Review:*
 1. Engineer will provide timely review of Shop Drawings and Samples in accordance with the Schedule of Submittals acceptable to Engineer. Engineer's review and approval will be only to determine if the items covered by the submittals will, after installation or incorporation in the Work, conform to the information given in the Contract Documents and be compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents.
 2. Engineer's review and approval will not extend to means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction or to safety precautions or programs incident thereto.
 3. Engineer's review and approval of a separate item as such will not indicate approval of the assembly in which the item functions.
 4. Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample shall not relieve Contractor from responsibility for any variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents unless Contractor has complied with the requirements of Paragraph 7.16.A.3 and Engineer has given written approval of each such variation by specific written notation thereof incorporated in or accompanying the Shop Drawing or Sample. Engineer will document any such approved variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents in a Field Order.
 5. Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample shall not relieve Contractor from responsibility for complying with the requirements of Paragraph 7.16.A and B.
 6. Engineer's review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample, or of a variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents, shall not, under any circumstances, change the Contract Times or Contract Price, unless such changes are included in a Change Order.
 7. Neither Engineer's receipt, review, acceptance or approval of a Shop Drawing, Sample, or other submittal shall result in such item becoming a Contract Document.

8. Contractor shall perform the Work in compliance with the requirements and commitments set forth in approved Shop Drawings and Samples, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 7.16.D.4.

E. *Resubmittal Procedures:*

1. Contractor shall make corrections required by Engineer and shall return the required number of corrected copies of Shop Drawings and submit, as required, new Samples for review and approval. Contractor shall direct specific attention in writing to revisions other than the corrections called for by Engineer on previous submittals.
2. Contractor shall furnish required submittals with sufficient information and accuracy to obtain required approval of an item with no more than three submittals. Engineer will record Engineer's time for reviewing a fourth or subsequent submittal of a Shop Drawings, sample, or other item requiring approval, and Contractor shall be responsible for Engineer's charges to Owner for such time. Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for such charges.
3. If Contractor requests a change of a previously approved submittal item, Contractor shall be responsible for Engineer's charges to Owner for its review time, and Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor to secure reimbursement for such charges, unless the need for such change is beyond the control of Contractor.

7.17 *Contractor's General Warranty and Guarantee*

- A. Contractor warrants and guarantees to Owner that all Work will be in accordance with the Contract Documents and will not be defective. Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, and subcontractors shall be entitled to rely on Contractor's warranty and guarantee.
- B. Contractor's warranty and guarantee hereunder excludes defects or damage caused by:
 1. abuse, modification, or improper maintenance or operation by persons other than Contractor, Subcontractors, Suppliers, or any other individual or entity for whom Contractor is responsible; or
 2. normal wear and tear under normal usage.
- C. Contractor's obligation to perform and complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents shall be absolute. None of the following will constitute an acceptance of Work that is not in accordance with the Contract Documents or a release of Contractor's obligation to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents:
 1. observations by Engineer;
 2. recommendation by Engineer or payment by Owner of any progress or final payment;
 3. the issuance of a certificate of Substantial Completion by Engineer or any payment related thereto by Owner;
 4. use or occupancy of the Work or any part thereof by Owner;
 5. any review and approval of a Shop Drawing or Sample submittal;
 6. the issuance of a notice of acceptability by Engineer;
 7. any inspection, test, or approval by others; or
 8. any correction of defective Work by Owner.

- D. If the Contract requires the Contractor to accept the assignment of a contract entered into by Owner, then the specific warranties, guarantees, and correction obligations contained in the assigned contract shall govern with respect to Contractor's performance obligations to Owner for the Work described in the assigned contract.

7.18 *Indemnification*

- A. To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, and in addition to any other obligations of Contractor under the Contract or otherwise, Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to the performance of the Work, provided that any such claim, cost, loss, or damage is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease, or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property (other than the Work itself), including the loss of use resulting therefrom but only to the extent caused by any negligent act or omission of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.
- B. In any and all claims against Owner or Engineer or any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors by any employee (or the survivor or personal representative of such employee) of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or any individual or entity directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform any of the Work, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under Paragraph 7.18.A shall not be limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages, compensation, or benefits payable by or for Contractor or any such Subcontractor, Supplier, or other individual or entity under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts, or other employee benefit acts.
- C. The indemnification obligations of Contractor under Paragraph 7.18.A shall not extend to the liability of Engineer and Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors arising out of:
1. the preparation or approval of, or the failure to prepare or approve maps, Drawings, opinions, reports, surveys, Change Orders, designs, or Specifications; or
 2. giving directions or instructions, or failing to give them, if that is the primary cause of the injury or damage.

7.19 *Delegation of Professional Design Services*

- A. Contractor will not be required to provide professional design services unless such services are specifically required by the Contract Documents for a portion of the Work or unless such services are required to carry out Contractor's responsibilities for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures. Contractor shall not be required to provide professional services in violation of applicable Laws and Regulations.
- B. If professional design services or certifications by a design professional related to systems, materials, or equipment are specifically required of Contractor by the Contract Documents, Owner and Engineer will specify all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy. Contractor shall cause such services or certifications to be provided by a properly licensed professional, whose signature and seal shall appear on all drawings, calculations, specifications, certifications, and other submittals prepared by such professional. Shop

Drawings and other submittals related to the Work designed or certified by such professional, if prepared by others, shall bear such professional's written approval when submitted to Engineer.

- C. Owner and Engineer shall be entitled to rely upon the adequacy, accuracy, and completeness of the services, certifications, or approvals performed by such design professionals, provided Owner and Engineer have specified to Contractor all performance and design criteria that such services must satisfy.
- D. Pursuant to this paragraph, Engineer's review and approval of design calculations and design drawings will be only for the limited purpose of checking for conformance with performance and design criteria given and the design concept expressed in the Contract Documents. Engineer's review and approval of Shop Drawings and other submittals (except design calculations and design drawings) will be only for the purpose stated in Paragraph 7.16.D.1.
- E. Contractor shall not be responsible for the adequacy of the performance or design criteria specified by Owner or Engineer.

ARTICLE 8 – OTHER WORK AT THE SITE

8.01 *Other Work*

- A. In addition to and apart from the Work under the Contract Documents, the Owner may perform other work at or adjacent to the Site. Such other work may be performed by Owner's employees, or through contracts between the Owner and third parties. Owner may also arrange to have third-party utility owners perform work on their utilities and facilities at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. If Owner performs other work at or adjacent to the Site with Owner's employees, or through contracts for such other work, then Owner shall give Contractor written notice thereof prior to starting any such other work. If Owner has advance information regarding the start of any utility work at or adjacent to the Site, Owner shall provide such information to Contractor.
- C. Contractor shall afford each other contractor that performs such other work, each utility owner performing other work, and Owner, if Owner is performing other work with Owner's employees, proper and safe access to the Site, and provide a reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of materials and equipment and the execution of such other work. Contractor shall do all cutting, fitting, and patching of the Work that may be required to properly connect or otherwise make its several parts come together and properly integrate with such other work. Contractor shall not endanger any work of others by cutting, excavating, or otherwise altering such work; provided, however, that Contractor may cut or alter others' work with the written consent of Engineer and the others whose work will be affected.
- D. If the proper execution or results of any part of Contractor's Work depends upon work performed by others under this Article 8, Contractor shall inspect such other work and promptly report to Engineer in writing any delays, defects, or deficiencies in such other work that render it unavailable or unsuitable for the proper execution and results of Contractor's Work. Contractor's failure to so report will constitute an acceptance of such other work as fit and proper for integration with Contractor's Work except for latent defects and deficiencies in such other work.

8.02 *Coordination*

- A. If Owner intends to contract with others for the performance of other work at or adjacent to the Site, to perform other work at or adjacent to the Site with Owner's employees, or to arrange to have utility owners perform work at or adjacent to the Site, the following will be set forth in the Supplementary Conditions or provided to Contractor prior to the start of any such other work:
 1. the identity of the individual or entity that will have authority and responsibility for coordination of the activities among the various contractors;
 2. an itemization of the specific matters to be covered by such authority and responsibility; and
 3. the extent of such authority and responsibilities.
- B. Unless otherwise provided in the Supplementary Conditions, Owner shall have sole authority and responsibility for such coordination.

8.03 *Legal Relationships*

- A. If, in the course of performing other work at or adjacent to the Site for Owner, the Owner's employees, any other contractor working for Owner, or any utility owner for whom the Owner is responsible causes damage to the Work or to the property of Contractor or its Subcontractors, or delays, disrupts, interferes with, or increases the scope or cost of the performance of the Work, through actions or inaction, then Contractor shall be entitled to an equitable adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both. Contractor must submit any Change Proposal seeking an equitable adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times under this paragraph within 30 days of the damaging, delaying, disrupting, or interfering event. The entitlement to, and extent of, any such equitable adjustment shall take into account information (if any) regarding such other work that was provided to Contractor in the Contract Documents prior to the submittal of the Bid or the final negotiation of the terms of the Contract. When applicable, any such equitable adjustment in Contract Price shall be conditioned on Contractor assigning to Owner all Contractor's rights against such other contractor or utility owner with respect to the damage, delay, disruption, or interference that is the subject of the adjustment. Contractor's entitlement to an adjustment of the Contract Times is conditioned on such adjustment being essential to Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the Contract Times.
- B. Contractor shall take reasonable and customary measures to avoid damaging, delaying, disrupting, or interfering with the work of Owner, any other contractor, or any utility owner performing other work at or adjacent to the Site. If Contractor fails to take such measures and as a result damages, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the work of any such other contractor or utility owner, then Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor, and assign to such other contractor or utility owner the Owner's contractual rights against Contractor with respect to the breach of the obligations set forth in this paragraph.
- C. When Owner is performing other work at or adjacent to the Site with Owner's employees, Contractor shall be liable to Owner for damage to such other work, and for the reasonable direct delay, disruption, and interference costs incurred by Owner as a result of Contractor's failure to take reasonable and customary measures with respect to Owner's other work. In response to such damage, delay, disruption, or interference, Owner may impose a set-off against payments due to Contractor.

- D. If Contractor damages, delays, disrupts, or interferes with the work of any other contractor, or any utility owner performing other work at or adjacent to the Site, through Contractor's failure to take reasonable and customary measures to avoid such impacts, or if any claim arising out of Contractor's actions, inactions, or negligence in performance of the Work at or adjacent to the Site is made by any such other contractor or utility owner against Contractor, Owner, or Engineer, then Contractor shall (1) promptly attempt to settle the claim as to all parties through negotiations with such other contractor or utility owner, or otherwise resolve the claim by arbitration or other dispute resolution proceeding or at law, and (2) indemnify and hold harmless Owner and Engineer, and the officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors of each and any of them from and against any such claims, and against all costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such damage, delay, disruption, or interference.

ARTICLE 9 – OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

9.01 *Communications to Contractor*

- A. Except as otherwise provided in these General Conditions, Owner shall issue all communications to Contractor through Engineer.

9.02 *Replacement of Engineer*

- A. Owner may at its discretion appoint an engineer to replace Engineer, provided Contractor makes no reasonable objection to the replacement engineer. The replacement engineer's status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Engineer.

9.03 *Furnish Data*

- A. Owner shall promptly furnish the data required of Owner under the Contract Documents.

9.04 *Pay When Due*

- A. Owner shall make payments to Contractor when they are due as provided in the Agreement.

9.05 *Lands and Easements; Reports, Tests, and Drawings*

- A. Owner's duties with respect to providing lands and easements are set forth in Paragraph 5.01.
- B. Owner's duties with respect to providing engineering surveys to establish reference points are set forth in Paragraph 4.03.
- C. Article 5 refers to Owner's identifying and making available to Contractor copies of reports of explorations and tests of conditions at the Site, and drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site.

9.06 *Insurance*

- A. Owner's responsibilities, if any, with respect to purchasing and maintaining liability and property insurance are set forth in Article 6.

9.07 *Change Orders*

- A. Owner's responsibilities with respect to Change Orders are set forth in Article 11.

- 9.08 *Inspections, Tests, and Approvals*
- A. Owner's responsibility with respect to certain inspections, tests, and approvals is set forth in Paragraph 14.02.B.
- 9.09 *Limitations on Owner's Responsibilities*
- A. The Owner shall not supervise, direct, or have control or authority over, nor be responsible for, Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Owner will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- 9.10 *Undisclosed Hazardous Environmental Condition*
- A. Owner's responsibility in respect to an undisclosed Hazardous Environmental Condition is set forth in Paragraph 5.06.
- 9.11 *Evidence of Financial Arrangements*
- A. Upon request of Contractor, Owner shall furnish Contractor reasonable evidence that financial arrangements have been made to satisfy Owner's obligations under the Contract Documents (including obligations under proposed changes in the Work).
- 9.12 *Safety Programs*
- A. While at the Site, Owner's employees and representatives shall comply with the specific applicable requirements of Contractor's safety programs of which Owner has been informed.
- B. Owner shall furnish copies of any applicable Owner safety programs to Contractor.

ARTICLE 10 – ENGINEER'S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION

- 10.01 *Owner's Representative*
- A. Engineer will be Owner's representative during the construction period. The duties and responsibilities and the limitations of authority of Engineer as Owner's representative during construction are set forth in the Contract.
- 10.02 *Visits to Site*
- A. Engineer will make visits to the Site at intervals appropriate to the various stages of construction as Engineer deems necessary in order to observe as an experienced and qualified design professional the progress that has been made and the quality of the various aspects of Contractor's executed Work. Based on information obtained during such visits and observations, Engineer, for the benefit of Owner, will determine, in general, if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents. Engineer will not be required to make exhaustive or continuous inspections on the Site to check the quality or quantity of the Work. Engineer's efforts will be directed toward providing for Owner a greater degree of confidence that the completed Work will conform generally to the Contract Documents. On the basis of such visits and observations, Engineer will keep Owner informed of the progress of the Work and will endeavor to guard Owner against defective Work.
- B. Engineer's visits and observations are subject to all the limitations on Engineer's authority and responsibility set forth in Paragraph 10.08. Particularly, but without limitation, during

or as a result of Engineer's visits or observations of Contractor's Work, Engineer will not supervise, direct, control, or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work.

10.03 *Project Representative*

- A. If Owner and Engineer have agreed that Engineer will furnish a Resident Project Representative to represent Engineer at the Site and assist Engineer in observing the progress and quality of the Work, then the authority and responsibilities of any such Resident Project Representative will be as provided in the Supplementary Conditions, and limitations on the responsibilities thereof will be as provided in Paragraph 10.08. If Owner designates another representative or agent to represent Owner at the Site who is not Engineer's consultant, agent, or employee, the responsibilities and authority and limitations thereon of such other individual or entity will be as provided in the Supplementary Conditions.

10.04 *Rejecting Defective Work*

- A. Engineer has the authority to reject Work in accordance with Article 14.

10.05 *Shop Drawings, Change Orders and Payments*

- A. Engineer's authority, and limitations thereof, as to Shop Drawings and Samples, are set forth in Paragraph 7.16.
- B. Engineer's authority, and limitations thereof, as to design calculations and design drawings submitted in response to a delegation of professional design services, if any, are set forth in Paragraph 7.19.
- C. Engineer's authority as to Change Orders is set forth in Article 11.
- D. Engineer's authority as to Applications for Payment is set forth in Article 15.

10.06 *Determinations for Unit Price Work*

- A. Engineer will determine the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor as set forth in Paragraph 13.03.

10.07 *Decisions on Requirements of Contract Documents and Acceptability of Work*

- A. Engineer will render decisions regarding the requirements of the Contract Documents, and judge the acceptability of the Work, pursuant to the specific procedures set forth herein for initial interpretations, Change Proposals, and acceptance of the Work. In rendering such decisions and judgments, Engineer will not show partiality to Owner or Contractor, and will not be liable to Owner, Contractor, or others in connection with any proceedings, interpretations, decisions, or judgments conducted or rendered in good faith.

10.08 *Limitations on Engineer's Authority and Responsibilities*

- A. Neither Engineer's authority or responsibility under this Article 10 or under any other provision of the Contract, nor any decision made by Engineer in good faith either to exercise or not exercise such authority or responsibility or the undertaking, exercise, or performance of any authority or responsibility by Engineer, shall create, impose, or give rise to any duty in contract, tort, or otherwise owed by Engineer to Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, any other individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee or agent of any of them.

- B. Engineer will not supervise, direct, control, or have authority over or be responsible for Contractor's means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or for any failure of Contractor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work. Engineer will not be responsible for Contractor's failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- C. Engineer will not be responsible for the acts or omissions of Contractor or of any Subcontractor, any Supplier, or of any other individual or entity performing any of the Work.
- D. Engineer's review of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation and all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates of inspection, tests and approvals, and other documentation required to be delivered by Paragraph 15.06.A will only be to determine generally that their content complies with the requirements of, and in the case of certificates of inspections, tests, and approvals, that the results certified indicate compliance with the Contract Documents.
- E. The limitations upon authority and responsibility set forth in this Paragraph 10.08 shall also apply to the Resident Project Representative, if any.

10.09 *Compliance with Safety Program*

- A. While at the Site, Engineer's employees and representatives will comply with the specific applicable requirements of Owner's and Contractor's safety programs (if any) of which Engineer has been informed.

ARTICLE 11 – AMENDING THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS; CHANGES IN THE WORK

11.01 *Amending and Supplementing Contract Documents*

- A. The Contract Documents may be amended or supplemented by a Change Order, a Work Change Directive, or a Field Order.
 - 1. *Change Orders:*
 - a. If an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents includes a change in the Contract Price or the Contract Times, such amendment or supplement must be set forth in a Change Order. A Change Order also may be used to establish amendments and supplements of the Contract Documents that do not affect the Contract Price or Contract Times.
 - b. Owner and Contractor may amend those terms and conditions of the Contract Documents that do not involve (1) the performance or acceptability of the Work, (2) the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or (3) other engineering or technical matters, without the recommendation of the Engineer. Such an amendment shall be set forth in a Change Order.
 - 2. *Work Change Directives:* A Work Change Directive will not change the Contract Price or the Contract Times but is evidence that the parties expect that the modification ordered or documented by a Work Change Directive will be incorporated in a subsequently issued Change Order, following negotiations by the parties as to the Work Change Directive's effect, if any, on the Contract Price and Contract Times; or, if negotiations are unsuccessful, by a determination under the terms of the Contract Documents governing adjustments, expressly including Paragraph 11.04 regarding change of Contract Price. Contractor must submit any Change Proposal seeking an

adjustment of the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both, no later than 30 days after the completion of the Work set out in the Work Change Directive. Owner must submit any Claim seeking an adjustment of the Contract Price or the Contract Times, or both, no later than 60 days after issuance of the Work Change Directive.

3. *Field Orders:* Engineer may authorize minor changes in the Work if the changes do not involve an adjustment in the Contract Price or the Contract Times and are compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Contract Documents. Such changes will be accomplished by a Field Order and will be binding on Owner and also on Contractor, which shall perform the Work involved promptly. If Contractor believes that a Field Order justifies an adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or both, then before proceeding with the Work at issue, Contractor shall submit a Change Proposal as provided herein.

11.02 *Owner-Authorized Changes in the Work*

- A. Without invalidating the Contract and without notice to any surety, Owner may, at any time or from time to time, order additions, deletions, or revisions in the Work. Such changes shall be supported by Engineer's recommendation, to the extent the change involves the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or other engineering or technical matters. Such changes may be accomplished by a Change Order, if Owner and Contractor have agreed as to the effect, if any, of the changes on Contract Times or Contract Price; or by a Work Change Directive. Upon receipt of any such document, Contractor shall promptly proceed with the Work involved; or, in the case of a deletion in the Work, promptly cease construction activities with respect to such deleted Work. Added or revised Work shall be performed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents. Nothing in this paragraph shall obligate Contractor to undertake work that Contractor reasonably concludes cannot be performed in a manner consistent with Contractor's safety obligations under the Contract Documents or Laws and Regulations.

11.03 *Unauthorized Changes in the Work*

- A. Contractor shall not be entitled to an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times with respect to any work performed that is not required by the Contract Documents, as amended, modified, or supplemented, except in the case of an emergency as provided in Paragraph 7.15 or in the case of uncovering Work as provided in Paragraph 14.05.

11.04 *Change of Contract Price*

- A. The Contract Price may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Change Proposal for an adjustment in the Contract Price shall comply with the provisions of Paragraph 11.06. Any Claim for an adjustment of Contract Price shall comply with the provisions of Article 12.
- B. An adjustment in the Contract Price will be determined as follows:
 1. where the Work involved is covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, then by application of such unit prices to the quantities of the items involved (subject to the provisions of Paragraph 13.03); or
 2. where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents, then by a mutually agreed lump sum (which may include an allowance for overhead and profit not necessarily in accordance with Paragraph 11.04.C.2); or
 3. where the Work involved is not covered by unit prices contained in the Contract Documents and the parties do not reach mutual agreement to a lump sum, then on

the basis of the Cost of the Work (determined as provided in Paragraph 13.01) plus a Contractor's fee for overhead and profit (determined as provided in Paragraph 11.04.C).

- C. *Contractor's Fee:* When applicable, the Contractor's fee for overhead and profit shall be determined as follows:
1. a mutually acceptable fixed fee; or
 2. if a fixed fee is not agreed upon, then a fee based on the following percentages of the various portions of the Cost of the Work:
 - a. for costs incurred under Paragraphs 13.01.B.1 and 13.01.B.2, the Contractor's fee shall be 15 percent;
 - b. for costs incurred under Paragraph 13.01.B.3, the Contractor's fee shall be five percent;
 - c. where one or more tiers of subcontracts are on the basis of Cost of the Work plus a fee and no fixed fee is agreed upon, the intent of Paragraphs 11.04.C.2.a and 11.04.C.2.b is that the Contractor's fee shall be based on: (1) a fee of 15 percent of the costs incurred under Paragraphs 13.01.A.1 and 13.01.A.2 by the Subcontractor that actually performs the Work, at whatever tier, and (2) with respect to Contractor itself and to any Subcontractors of a tier higher than that of the Subcontractor that actually performs the Work, a fee of five percent of the amount (fee plus underlying costs incurred) attributable to the next lower tier Subcontractor; provided, however, that for any such subcontracted work the maximum total fee to be paid by Owner shall be no greater than 27 percent of the costs incurred by the Subcontractor that actually performs the work;
 - d. no fee shall be payable on the basis of costs itemized under Paragraphs 13.01.B.4, 13.01.B.5, and 13.01.C;
 - e. the amount of credit to be allowed by Contractor to Owner for any change which results in a net decrease in cost will be the amount of the actual net decrease in cost plus a deduction in Contractor's fee by an amount equal to five percent of such net decrease; and
 - f. when both additions and credits are involved in any one change, the adjustment in Contractor's fee shall be computed on the basis of the net change in accordance with Paragraphs 11.04.C.2.a through 11.04.C.2.e, inclusive.

11.05 *Change of Contract Times*

- A. The Contract Times may only be changed by a Change Order. Any Change Proposal for an adjustment in the Contract Times shall comply with the provisions of Paragraph 11.06. Any Claim for an adjustment in the Contract Times shall comply with the provisions of Article 12.
- B. An adjustment of the Contract Times shall be subject to the limitations set forth in Paragraph 4.05, concerning delays in Contractor's progress.

11.06 *Change Proposals*

- A. Contractor shall submit a Change Proposal to Engineer to request an adjustment in the Contract Times or Contract Price; appeal an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Contract Documents or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Contract Documents; contest a set-off against payment due; or seek other relief under

the Contract. The Change Proposal shall specify any proposed change in Contract Times or Contract Price, or both, or other proposed relief, and explain the reason for the proposed change, with citations to any governing or applicable provisions of the Contract Documents.

1. *Procedures:* Contractor shall submit each Change Proposal to Engineer promptly (but in no event later than 30 days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto, or after such initial decision. The Contractor shall submit supporting data, including the proposed change in Contract Price or Contract Time (if any), to the Engineer and Owner within 15 days after the submittal of the Change Proposal. The supporting data shall be accompanied by a written statement that the supporting data are accurate and complete, and that any requested time or price adjustment is the entire adjustment to which Contractor believes it is entitled as a result of said event. Engineer will advise Owner regarding the Change Proposal, and consider any comments or response from Owner regarding the Change Proposal.
 2. *Engineer's Action:* Engineer will review each Change Proposal and, within 30 days after receipt of the Contractor's supporting data, either deny the Change Proposal in whole, approve it in whole, or deny it in part and approve it in part. Such actions shall be in writing, with a copy provided to Owner and Contractor. If Engineer does not take action on the Change Proposal within 30 days, then either Owner or Contractor may at any time thereafter submit a letter to the other party indicating that as a result of Engineer's inaction the Change Proposal is deemed denied, thereby commencing the time for appeal of the denial under Article 12.
 3. *Binding Decision:* Engineer's decision will be final and binding upon Owner and Contractor, unless Owner or Contractor appeals the decision by filing a Claim under Article 12.
- B. *Resolution of Certain Change Proposals:* If the Change Proposal does not involve the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), the acceptability of the Work, or other engineering or technical matters, then Engineer will notify the parties that the Engineer is unable to resolve the Change Proposal. For purposes of further resolution of such a Change Proposal, such notice shall be deemed a denial, and Contractor may choose to seek resolution under the terms of Article 12.

11.07 Execution of Change Orders

- A. Owner and Contractor shall execute appropriate Change Orders covering:
1. changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times which are agreed to by the parties, including any undisputed sum or amount of time for Work actually performed in accordance with a Work Change Directive;
 2. changes in Contract Price resulting from an Owner set-off, unless Contractor has duly contested such set-off;
 3. changes in the Work which are: (a) ordered by Owner pursuant to Paragraph 11.02, (b) required because of Owner's acceptance of defective Work under Paragraph 14.04 or Owner's correction of defective Work under Paragraph 14.07, or (c) agreed to by the parties, subject to the need for Engineer's recommendation if the change in the Work involves the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), or other engineering or technical matters; and
 4. changes in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or other changes, which embody the substance of any final and binding results under Paragraph 11.06, or Article 12.

- B. If Owner or Contractor refuses to execute a Change Order that is required to be executed under the terms of this Paragraph 11.07, it shall be deemed to be of full force and effect, as if fully executed.

11.08 *Notification to Surety*

- A. If the provisions of any bond require notice to be given to a surety of any change affecting the general scope of the Work or the provisions of the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, Contract Price or Contract Times), the giving of any such notice will be Contractor's responsibility. The amount of each applicable bond will be adjusted to reflect the effect of any such change.

ARTICLE 12 – CLAIMS

12.01 *Claims*

- A. *Claims Process:* The following disputes between Owner and Contractor shall be submitted to the Claims process set forth in this Article:
1. Appeals by Owner or Contractor of Engineer's decisions regarding Change Proposals;
 2. Owner demands for adjustments in the Contract Price or Contract Times, or other relief under the Contract Documents; and
 3. Disputes that Engineer has been unable to address because they do not involve the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), the acceptability of the Work, or other engineering or technical matters.
- B. *Submittal of Claim:* The party submitting a Claim shall deliver it directly to the other party to the Contract promptly (but in no event later than 30 days) after the start of the event giving rise thereto; in the case of appeals regarding Change Proposals within 30 days of the decision under appeal. The party submitting the Claim shall also furnish a copy to the Engineer, for its information only. The responsibility to substantiate a Claim shall rest with the party making the Claim. In the case of a Claim by Contractor seeking an increase in the Contract Times or Contract Price, or both, Contractor shall certify that the Claim is made in good faith, that the supporting data are accurate and complete, and that to the best of Contractor's knowledge and belief the amount of time or money requested accurately reflects the full amount to which Contractor is entitled.
- C. *Review and Resolution:* The party receiving a Claim shall review it thoroughly, giving full consideration to its merits. The two parties shall seek to resolve the Claim through the exchange of information and direct negotiations. The parties may extend the time for resolving the Claim by mutual agreement. All actions taken on a Claim shall be stated in writing and submitted to the other party, with a copy to Engineer.
- D. *Mediation:*
1. At any time after initiation of a Claim, Owner and Contractor may mutually agree to mediation of the underlying dispute. The agreement to mediate shall stay the Claim submittal and response process.
 2. If Owner and Contractor agree to mediation, then after 60 days from such agreement, either Owner or Contractor may unilaterally terminate the mediation process, and the Claim submittal and decision process shall resume as of the date of the termination. If the mediation proceeds but is unsuccessful in resolving the dispute, the Claim

submittal and decision process shall resume as of the date of the conclusion of the mediation, as determined by the mediator.

3. Owner and Contractor shall each pay one-half of the mediator's fees and costs.
- E. *Partial Approval*: If the party receiving a Claim approves the Claim in part and denies it in part, such action shall be final and binding unless within 30 days of such action the other party invokes the procedure set forth in Article 17 for final resolution of disputes.
- F. *Denial of Claim*: If efforts to resolve a Claim are not successful, the party receiving the Claim may deny it by giving written notice of denial to the other party. If the receiving party does not take action on the Claim within 90 days, then either Owner or Contractor may at any time thereafter submit a letter to the other party indicating that as a result of the inaction, the Claim is deemed denied, thereby commencing the time for appeal of the denial. A denial of the Claim shall be final and binding unless within 30 days of the denial the other party invokes the procedure set forth in Article 17 for the final resolution of disputes.
- G. *Final and Binding Results*: If the parties reach a mutual agreement regarding a Claim, whether through approval of the Claim, direct negotiations, mediation, or otherwise; or if a Claim is approved in part and denied in part, or denied in full, and such actions become final and binding; then the results of the agreement or action on the Claim shall be incorporated in a Change Order to the extent they affect the Contract, including the Work, the Contract Times, or the Contract Price.

ARTICLE 13 – COST OF THE WORK; ALLOWANCES; UNIT PRICE WORK

13.01 *Cost of the Work*

- A. *Purposes for Determination of Cost of the Work*: The term Cost of the Work means the sum of all costs necessary for the proper performance of the Work at issue, as further defined below. The provisions of this Paragraph 13.01 are used for two distinct purposes:
 1. To determine Cost of the Work when Cost of the Work is a component of the Contract Price, under cost-plus-fee, time-and-materials, or other cost-based terms; or
 2. To determine the value of a Change Order, Change Proposal, Claim, set-off, or other adjustment in Contract Price. When the value of any such adjustment is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, Contractor is entitled only to those additional or incremental costs required because of the change in the Work or because of the event giving rise to the adjustment.
- B. *Costs Included*: Except as otherwise may be agreed to in writing by Owner, costs included in the Cost of the Work shall be in amounts no higher than those prevailing in the locality of the Project, shall not include any of the costs itemized in Paragraph 13.01.C, and shall include only the following items:
 1. Payroll costs for employees in the direct employ of Contractor in the performance of the Work under schedules of job classifications agreed upon by Owner and Contractor. Such employees shall include, without limitation, superintendents, foremen, and other personnel employed full time on the Work. Payroll costs for employees not employed full time on the Work shall be apportioned on the basis of their time spent on the Work. Payroll costs shall include, but not be limited to, salaries and wages plus the cost of fringe benefits, which shall include social security contributions, unemployment, excise, and payroll taxes, workers' compensation, health and retirement benefits, bonuses, sick leave, and vacation and holiday pay applicable

thereto. The expenses of performing Work outside of regular working hours, on Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays, shall be included in the above to the extent authorized by Owner.

2. Cost of all materials and equipment furnished and incorporated in the Work, including costs of transportation and storage thereof, and Suppliers' field services required in connection therewith. All cash discounts shall accrue to Contractor unless Owner deposits funds with Contractor with which to make payments, in which case the cash discounts shall accrue to Owner. All trade discounts, rebates, and refunds and returns from sale of surplus materials and equipment shall accrue to Owner, and Contractor shall make provisions so that they may be obtained.
3. Payments made by Contractor to Subcontractors for Work performed by Subcontractors. If required by Owner, Contractor shall obtain competitive bids from subcontractors acceptable to Owner and Contractor and shall deliver such bids to Owner, who will then determine, with the advice of Engineer, which bids, if any, will be acceptable. If any subcontract provides that the Subcontractor is to be paid on the basis of Cost of the Work plus a fee, the Subcontractor's Cost of the Work and fee shall be determined in the same manner as Contractor's Cost of the Work and fee as provided in this Paragraph 13.01.
4. Costs of special consultants (including but not limited to engineers, architects, testing laboratories, surveyors, attorneys, and accountants) employed for services specifically related to the Work.
5. Supplemental costs including the following:
 - a. The proportion of necessary transportation, travel, and subsistence expenses of Contractor's employees incurred in discharge of duties connected with the Work.
 - b. Cost, including transportation and maintenance, of all materials, supplies, equipment, machinery, appliances, office, and temporary facilities at the Site, and hand tools not owned by the workers, which are consumed in the performance of the Work, and cost, less market value, of such items used but not consumed which remain the property of Contractor.
 - c. Rentals of all construction equipment and machinery, and the parts thereof, whether rented from Contractor or others in accordance with rental agreements approved by Owner with the advice of Engineer, and the costs of transportation, loading, unloading, assembly, dismantling, and removal thereof. All such costs shall be in accordance with the terms of said rental agreements. The rental of any such equipment, machinery, or parts shall cease when the use thereof is no longer necessary for the Work.
 - d. Sales, consumer, use, and other similar taxes related to the Work, and for which Contractor is liable, as imposed by Laws and Regulations.
 - e. Deposits lost for causes other than negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, and royalty payments and fees for permits and licenses.
 - f. Losses and damages (and related expenses) caused by damage to the Work, not compensated by insurance or otherwise, sustained by Contractor in connection with the performance of the Work (except losses and damages within the deductible amounts of property insurance established in accordance with Paragraph 6.05), provided such losses and damages have resulted from causes

other than the negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable. Such losses shall include settlements made with the written consent and approval of Owner. No such losses, damages, and expenses shall be included in the Cost of the Work for the purpose of determining Contractor's fee.

- g. The cost of utilities, fuel, and sanitary facilities at the Site.
- h. Minor expenses such as communication service at the Site, express and courier services, and similar petty cash items in connection with the Work.
- i. The costs of premiums for all bonds and insurance that Contractor is required by the Contract Documents to purchase and maintain.

C. *Costs Excluded:* The term Cost of the Work shall not include any of the following items:

1. Payroll costs and other compensation of Contractor's officers, executives, principals (of partnerships and sole proprietorships), general managers, safety managers, engineers, architects, estimators, attorneys, auditors, accountants, purchasing and contracting agents, expeditors, timekeepers, clerks, and other personnel employed by Contractor, whether at the Site or in Contractor's principal or branch office for general administration of the Work and not specifically included in the agreed upon schedule of job classifications referred to in Paragraph 13.01.B.1 or specifically covered by Paragraph 13.01.B.4. The payroll costs and other compensation excluded here are to be considered administrative costs covered by the Contractor's fee.
2. Expenses of Contractor's principal and branch offices other than Contractor's office at the Site.
3. Any part of Contractor's capital expenses, including interest on Contractor's capital employed for the Work and charges against Contractor for delinquent payments.
4. Costs due to the negligence of Contractor, any Subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, including but not limited to, the correction of defective Work, disposal of materials or equipment wrongly supplied, and making good any damage to property.
5. Other overhead or general expense costs of any kind and the costs of any item not specifically and expressly included in Paragraph 13.01.B.

D. *Contractor's Fee:* When the Work as a whole is performed on the basis of cost-plus, Contractor's fee shall be determined as set forth in the Agreement. When the value of any Work covered by a Change Order, Change Proposal, Claim, set-off, or other adjustment in Contract Price is determined on the basis of Cost of the Work, Contractor's fee shall be determined as set forth in Paragraph 11.04.C.

E. *Documentation:* Whenever the Cost of the Work for any purpose is to be determined pursuant to this Article 13, Contractor will establish and maintain records thereof in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices and submit in a form acceptable to Engineer an itemized cost breakdown together with supporting data.

13.02 Allowances

- A. It is understood that Contractor has included in the Contract Price all allowances so named in the Contract Documents and shall cause the Work so covered to be performed for such sums and by such persons or entities as may be acceptable to Owner and Engineer.

- B. *Cash Allowances*: Contractor agrees that:
1. the cash allowances include the cost to Contractor (less any applicable trade discounts) of materials and equipment required by the allowances to be delivered at the Site, and all applicable taxes; and
 2. Contractor's costs for unloading and handling on the Site, labor, installation, overhead, profit, and other expenses contemplated for the cash allowances have been included in the Contract Price and not in the allowances, and no demand for additional payment on account of any of the foregoing will be valid.
- C. *Contingency Allowance*: Contractor agrees that a contingency allowance, if any, is for the sole use of Owner to cover unanticipated costs.
- D. Prior to final payment, an appropriate Change Order will be issued as recommended by Engineer to reflect actual amounts due Contractor on account of Work covered by allowances, and the Contract Price shall be correspondingly adjusted.

13.03 *Unit Price Work*

- A. Where the Contract Documents provide that all or part of the Work is to be Unit Price Work, initially the Contract Price will be deemed to include for all Unit Price Work an amount equal to the sum of the unit price for each separately identified item of Unit Price Work times the estimated quantity of each item as indicated in the Agreement.
- B. The estimated quantities of items of Unit Price Work are not guaranteed and are solely for the purpose of comparison of Bids and determining an initial Contract Price. Payments to Contractor for Unit Price Work will be based on actual quantities.
- C. Each unit price will be deemed to include an amount considered by Contractor to be adequate to cover Contractor's overhead and profit for each separately identified item.
- D. Engineer will determine the actual quantities and classifications of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor. Engineer will review with Contractor the Engineer's preliminary determinations on such matters before rendering a written decision thereon (by recommendation of an Application for Payment or otherwise). Engineer's written decision thereon will be final and binding (except as modified by Engineer to reflect changed factual conditions or more accurate data) upon Owner and Contractor, subject to the provisions of the following paragraph.
- E. Within 30 days of Engineer's written decision under the preceding paragraph, Contractor may submit a Change Proposal, or Owner may file a Claim, seeking an adjustment in the Contract Price if:
1. the quantity of any item of Unit Price Work performed by Contractor differs materially and significantly from the estimated quantity of such item indicated in the Agreement;
 2. there is no corresponding adjustment with respect to any other item of Work; and
 3. Contractor believes that it is entitled to an increase in Contract Price as a result of having incurred additional expense or Owner believes that Owner is entitled to a decrease in Contract Price, and the parties are unable to agree as to the amount of any such increase or decrease.

ARTICLE 14 – TESTS AND INSPECTIONS; CORRECTION, REMOVAL OR ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE WORK

14.01 *Access to Work*

- A. Owner, Engineer, their consultants and other representatives and personnel of Owner, independent testing laboratories, and authorities having jurisdiction will have access to the Site and the Work at reasonable times for their observation, inspection, and testing. Contractor shall provide them proper and safe conditions for such access and advise them of Contractor's safety procedures and programs so that they may comply therewith as applicable.

14.02 *Tests, Inspections, and Approvals*

- A. Contractor shall give Engineer timely notice of readiness of the Work (or specific parts thereof) for all required inspections and tests, and shall cooperate with inspection and testing personnel to facilitate required inspections and tests.
- B. Owner shall retain and pay for the services of an independent inspector, testing laboratory, or other qualified individual or entity to perform all inspections and tests expressly required by the Contract Documents to be furnished and paid for by Owner, except that costs incurred in connection with tests or inspections of covered Work shall be governed by the provisions of Paragraph 14.05.
- C. If Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction require any Work (or part thereof) specifically to be inspected, tested, or approved by an employee or other representative of such public body, Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such inspections, tests, or approvals, pay all costs in connection therewith, and furnish Engineer the required certificates of inspection or approval.
- D. Contractor shall be responsible for arranging, obtaining, and paying for all inspections and tests required:
 1. by the Contract Documents, unless the Contract Documents expressly allocate responsibility for a specific inspection or test to Owner;
 2. to attain Owner's and Engineer's acceptance of materials or equipment to be incorporated in the Work;
 3. by manufacturers of equipment furnished under the Contract Documents;
 4. for testing, adjusting, and balancing of mechanical, electrical, and other equipment to be incorporated into the Work; and
 5. for acceptance of materials, mix designs, or equipment submitted for approval prior to Contractor's purchase thereof for incorporation in the Work.

Such inspections and tests shall be performed by independent inspectors, testing laboratories, or other qualified individuals or entities acceptable to Owner and Engineer.

- E. If the Contract Documents require the Work (or part thereof) to be approved by Owner, Engineer, or another designated individual or entity, then Contractor shall assume full responsibility for arranging and obtaining such approvals.
- F. If any Work (or the work of others) that is to be inspected, tested, or approved is covered by Contractor without written concurrence of Engineer, Contractor shall, if requested by Engineer, uncover such Work for observation. Such uncovering shall be at Contractor's expense unless Contractor had given Engineer timely notice of Contractor's intention to

cover the same and Engineer had not acted with reasonable promptness in response to such notice.

14.03 *Defective Work*

- A. *Contractor's Obligation:* It is Contractor's obligation to assure that the Work is not defective.
- B. *Engineer's Authority:* Engineer has the authority to determine whether Work is defective, and to reject defective Work.
- C. *Notice of Defects:* Prompt notice of all defective Work of which Owner or Engineer has actual knowledge will be given to Contractor.
- D. *Correction, or Removal and Replacement:* Promptly after receipt of written notice of defective Work, Contractor shall correct all such defective Work, whether or not fabricated, installed, or completed, or, if Engineer has rejected the defective Work, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective.
- E. *Preservation of Warranties:* When correcting defective Work, Contractor shall take no action that would void or otherwise impair Owner's special warranty and guarantee, if any, on said Work.
- F. *Costs and Damages:* In addition to its correction, removal, and replacement obligations with respect to defective Work, Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or relating to defective Work, including but not limited to the cost of the inspection, testing, correction, removal, replacement, or reconstruction of such defective Work, fines levied against Owner by governmental authorities because the Work is defective, and the costs of repair or replacement of work of others resulting from defective Work. Prior to final payment, if Owner and Contractor are unable to agree as to the measure of such claims, costs, losses, and damages resulting from defective Work, then Owner may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15.

14.04 *Acceptance of Defective Work*

- A. If, instead of requiring correction or removal and replacement of defective Work, Owner prefers to accept it, Owner may do so (subject, if such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, to Engineer's confirmation that such acceptance is in general accord with the design intent and applicable engineering principles, and will not endanger public safety). Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages attributable to Owner's evaluation of and determination to accept such defective Work (such costs to be approved by Engineer as to reasonableness), and for the diminished value of the Work to the extent not otherwise paid by Contractor. If any such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents with respect to the Work shall be incorporated in a Change Order. If the parties are unable to agree as to the decrease in the Contract Price, reflecting the diminished value of Work so accepted, then Owner may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15. If the acceptance of defective Work occurs after final payment, Contractor shall pay an appropriate amount to Owner.

14.05 *Uncovering Work*

- A. Engineer has the authority to require additional inspection or testing of the Work, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed, or completed.

- B. If any Work is covered contrary to the written request of Engineer, then Contractor shall, if requested by Engineer, uncover such Work for Engineer's observation, and then replace the covering, all at Contractor's expense.
- C. If Engineer considers it necessary or advisable that covered Work be observed by Engineer or inspected or tested by others, then Contractor, at Engineer's request, shall uncover, expose, or otherwise make available for observation, inspection, or testing as Engineer may require, that portion of the Work in question, and provide all necessary labor, material, and equipment.
 - 1. If it is found that the uncovered Work is defective, Contractor shall be responsible for all claims, costs, losses, and damages arising out of or relating to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, and testing, and of satisfactory replacement or reconstruction (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others); and pending Contractor's full discharge of this responsibility the Owner shall be entitled to impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15.
 - 2. If the uncovered Work is not found to be defective, Contractor shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing, replacement, and reconstruction. If the parties are unable to agree as to the amount or extent thereof, then Contractor may submit a Change Proposal within 30 days of the determination that the Work is not defective.

14.06 *Owner May Stop the Work*

- A. If the Work is defective, or Contractor fails to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment, or fails to perform the Work in such a way that the completed Work will conform to the Contract Documents, then Owner may order Contractor to stop the Work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated; however, this right of Owner to stop the Work shall not give rise to any duty on the part of Owner to exercise this right for the benefit of Contractor, any Subcontractor, any Supplier, any other individual or entity, or any surety for, or employee or agent of any of them.

14.07 *Owner May Correct Defective Work*

- A. If Contractor fails within a reasonable time after written notice from Engineer to correct defective Work, or to remove and replace rejected Work as required by Engineer, or if Contractor fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, or if Contractor fails to comply with any other provision of the Contract Documents, then Owner may, after seven days written notice to Contractor, correct or remedy any such deficiency.
- B. In exercising the rights and remedies under this Paragraph 14.07, Owner shall proceed expeditiously. In connection with such corrective or remedial action, Owner may exclude Contractor from all or part of the Site, take possession of all or part of the Work and suspend Contractor's services related thereto, and incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere. Contractor shall allow Owner, Owner's representatives, agents and employees, Owner's other contractors, and Engineer and Engineer's consultants access to the Site to enable Owner to exercise the rights and remedies under this paragraph.
- C. All claims, costs, losses, and damages incurred or sustained by Owner in exercising the rights and remedies under this Paragraph 14.07 will be charged against Contractor as set-offs against payments due under Article 15. Such claims, costs, losses and damages will

include but not be limited to all costs of repair, or replacement of work of others destroyed or damaged by correction, removal, or replacement of Contractor's defective Work.

- D. Contractor shall not be allowed an extension of the Contract Times because of any delay in the performance of the Work attributable to the exercise by Owner of Owner's rights and remedies under this Paragraph 14.07.

ARTICLE 15 – PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR; SET-OFFS; COMPLETION; CORRECTION PERIOD

15.01 *Progress Payments*

- A. *Basis for Progress Payments:* The Schedule of Values established as provided in Article 2 will serve as the basis for progress payments and will be incorporated into a form of Application for Payment acceptable to Engineer. Progress payments on account of Unit Price Work will be based on the number of units completed during the pay period, as determined under the provisions of Paragraph 13.03. Progress payments for cost-based Work will be based on Cost of the Work completed by Contractor during the pay period.
- B. *Applications for Payments:*
1. At least 20 days before the date established in the Agreement for each progress payment (but not more often than once a month), Contractor shall submit to Engineer for review an Application for Payment filled out and signed by Contractor covering the Work completed as of the date of the Application and accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents. If payment is requested on the basis of materials and equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the Site or at another location agreed to in writing, the Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice, or other documentation warranting that Owner has received the materials and equipment free and clear of all Liens, and evidence that the materials and equipment are covered by appropriate property insurance, a warehouse bond, or other arrangements to protect Owner's interest therein, all of which must be satisfactory to Owner.
 2. Beginning with the second Application for Payment, each Application shall include an affidavit of Contractor stating that all previous progress payments received on account of the Work have been applied on account to discharge Contractor's legitimate obligations associated with prior Applications for Payment.
 3. The amount of retainage with respect to progress payments will be as stipulated in the Agreement.
- C. *Review of Applications:*
1. Engineer will, within 10 days after receipt of each Application for Payment, including each resubmittal, either indicate in writing a recommendation of payment and present the Application to Owner, or return the Application to Contractor indicating in writing Engineer's reasons for refusing to recommend payment. In the latter case, Contractor may make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application.
 2. Engineer's recommendation of any payment requested in an Application for Payment will constitute a representation by Engineer to Owner, based on Engineer's observations of the executed Work as an experienced and qualified design professional, and on Engineer's review of the Application for Payment and the accompanying data and schedules, that to the best of Engineer's knowledge, information and belief:

- a. the Work has progressed to the point indicated;
 - b. the quality of the Work is generally in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work as a functioning whole prior to or upon Substantial Completion, the results of any subsequent tests called for in the Contract Documents, a final determination of quantities and classifications for Unit Price Work under Paragraph 13.03, and any other qualifications stated in the recommendation); and
 - c. the conditions precedent to Contractor's being entitled to such payment appear to have been fulfilled in so far as it is Engineer's responsibility to observe the Work.
3. By recommending any such payment Engineer will not thereby be deemed to have represented that:
 - a. inspections made to check the quality or the quantity of the Work as it has been performed have been exhaustive, extended to every aspect of the Work in progress, or involved detailed inspections of the Work beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer in the Contract; or
 - b. there may not be other matters or issues between the parties that might entitle Contractor to be paid additionally by Owner or entitle Owner to withhold payment to Contractor.
 4. Neither Engineer's review of Contractor's Work for the purposes of recommending payments nor Engineer's recommendation of any payment, including final payment, will impose responsibility on Engineer:
 - a. to supervise, direct, or control the Work, or
 - b. for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, or
 - c. for Contractor's failure to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to Contractor's performance of the Work, or
 - d. to make any examination to ascertain how or for what purposes Contractor has used the money paid on account of the Contract Price, or
 - e. to determine that title to any of the Work, materials, or equipment has passed to Owner free and clear of any Liens.
 5. Engineer may refuse to recommend the whole or any part of any payment if, in Engineer's opinion, it would be incorrect to make the representations to Owner stated in Paragraph 15.01.C.2.
 6. Engineer will recommend reductions in payment (set-offs) necessary in Engineer's opinion to protect Owner from loss because:
 - a. the Work is defective, requiring correction or replacement;
 - b. the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
 - c. Owner has been required to correct defective Work in accordance with Paragraph 14.07, or has accepted defective Work pursuant to Paragraph 14.04;
 - d. Owner has been required to remove or remediate a Hazardous Environmental Condition for which Contractor is responsible; or

- e. Engineer has actual knowledge of the occurrence of any of the events that would constitute a default by Contractor and therefore justify termination for cause under the Contract Documents.

D. *Payment Becomes Due:*

- 1. Ten days after presentation of the Application for Payment to Owner with Engineer's recommendation, the amount recommended (subject to any Owner set-offs) will become due, and when due will be paid by Owner to Contractor.

E. *Reductions in Payment by Owner:*

- 1. In addition to any reductions in payment (set-offs) recommended by Engineer, Owner is entitled to impose a set-off against payment based on any of the following:
 - a. claims have been made against Owner on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance or furnishing of the Work, or Owner has incurred costs, losses, or damages on account of Contractor's conduct in the performance or furnishing of the Work, including but not limited to claims, costs, losses, or damages from workplace injuries, adjacent property damage, non-compliance with Laws and Regulations, and patent infringement;
 - b. Contractor has failed to take reasonable and customary measures to avoid damage, delay, disruption, and interference with other work at or adjacent to the Site;
 - c. Contractor has failed to provide and maintain required bonds or insurance;
 - d. Owner has been required to remove or remediate a Hazardous Environmental Condition for which Contractor is responsible;
 - e. Owner has incurred extra charges or engineering costs related to submittal reviews, evaluations of proposed substitutes, tests and inspections, or return visits to manufacturing or assembly facilities;
 - f. the Work is defective, requiring correction or replacement;
 - g. Owner has been required to correct defective Work in accordance with Paragraph 14.07, or has accepted defective Work pursuant to Paragraph 14.04;
 - h. the Contract Price has been reduced by Change Orders;
 - i. an event that would constitute a default by Contractor and therefore justify a termination for cause has occurred;
 - j. liquidated damages have accrued as a result of Contractor's failure to achieve Milestones, Substantial Completion, or final completion of the Work;
 - k. Liens have been filed in connection with the Work, except where Contractor has delivered a specific bond satisfactory to Owner to secure the satisfaction and discharge of such Liens;
 - l. there are other items entitling Owner to a set off against the amount recommended.
- 2. If Owner imposes any set-off against payment, whether based on its own knowledge or on the written recommendations of Engineer, Owner will give Contractor immediate written notice (with a copy to Engineer) stating the reasons for such action and the specific amount of the reduction, and promptly pay Contractor any amount

remaining after deduction of the amount so withheld. Owner shall promptly pay Contractor the amount so withheld, or any adjustment thereto agreed to by Owner and Contractor, if Contractor remedies the reasons for such action. The reduction imposed shall be binding on Contractor unless it duly submits a Change Proposal contesting the reduction.

3. Upon a subsequent determination that Owner's refusal of payment was not justified, the amount wrongfully withheld shall be treated as an amount due as determined by Paragraph 15.01.C.1 and subject to interest as provided in the Agreement.

15.02 *Contractor's Warranty of Title*

- A. Contractor warrants and guarantees that title to all Work, materials, and equipment furnished under the Contract will pass to Owner free and clear of (1) all Liens and other title defects, and (2) all patent, licensing, copyright, or royalty obligations, no later than seven days after the time of payment by Owner.

15.03 *Substantial Completion*

- A. When Contractor considers the entire Work ready for its intended use Contractor shall notify Owner and Engineer in writing that the entire Work is substantially complete and request that Engineer issue a certificate of Substantial Completion. Contractor shall at the same time submit to Owner and Engineer an initial draft of punch list items to be completed or corrected before final payment.
- B. Promptly after Contractor's notification, Owner, Contractor, and Engineer shall make an inspection of the Work to determine the status of completion. If Engineer does not consider the Work substantially complete, Engineer will notify Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor.
- C. If Engineer considers the Work substantially complete, Engineer will deliver to Owner a preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion which shall fix the date of Substantial Completion. Engineer shall attach to the certificate a punch list of items to be completed or corrected before final payment. Owner shall have seven days after receipt of the preliminary certificate during which to make written objection to Engineer as to any provisions of the certificate or attached punch list. If, after considering the objections to the provisions of the preliminary certificate, Engineer concludes that the Work is not substantially complete, Engineer will, within 14 days after submission of the preliminary certificate to Owner, notify Contractor in writing that the Work is not substantially complete, stating the reasons therefor. If Owner does not object to the provisions of the certificate, or if despite consideration of Owner's objections Engineer concludes that the Work is substantially complete, then Engineer will, within said 14 days, execute and deliver to Owner and Contractor a final certificate of Substantial Completion (with a revised punch list of items to be completed or corrected) reflecting such changes from the preliminary certificate as Engineer believes justified after consideration of any objections from Owner.
- D. At the time of receipt of the preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion, Owner and Contractor will confer regarding Owner's use or occupancy of the Work following Substantial Completion, review the builder's risk insurance policy with respect to the end of the builder's risk coverage, and confirm the transition to coverage of the Work under a permanent property insurance policy held by Owner. Unless Owner and Contractor agree otherwise in writing, Owner shall bear responsibility for security, operation, protection of the Work, property insurance, maintenance, heat, and utilities upon Owner's use or occupancy of the Work.

- E. After Substantial Completion the Contractor shall promptly begin work on the punch list of items to be completed or corrected prior to final payment. In appropriate cases Contractor may submit monthly Applications for Payment for completed punch list items, following the progress payment procedures set forth above.
- F. Owner shall have the right to exclude Contractor from the Site after the date of Substantial Completion subject to allowing Contractor reasonable access to remove its property and complete or correct items on the punch list.

15.04 *Partial Use or Occupancy*

- A. Prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work, Owner may use or occupy any substantially completed part of the Work which has specifically been identified in the Contract Documents, or which Owner, Engineer, and Contractor agree constitutes a separately functioning and usable part of the Work that can be used by Owner for its intended purpose without significant interference with Contractor's performance of the remainder of the Work, subject to the following conditions:
 1. At any time Owner may request in writing that Contractor permit Owner to use or occupy any such part of the Work that Owner believes to be substantially complete. If and when Contractor agrees that such part of the Work is substantially complete, Contractor, Owner, and Engineer will follow the procedures of Paragraph 15.03.A through E for that part of the Work.
 2. At any time Contractor may notify Owner and Engineer in writing that Contractor considers any such part of the Work substantially complete and request Engineer to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Work.
 3. Within a reasonable time after either such request, Owner, Contractor, and Engineer shall make an inspection of that part of the Work to determine its status of completion. If Engineer does not consider that part of the Work to be substantially complete, Engineer will notify Owner and Contractor in writing giving the reasons therefor. If Engineer considers that part of the Work to be substantially complete, the provisions of Paragraph 15.03 will apply with respect to certification of Substantial Completion of that part of the Work and the division of responsibility in respect thereof and access thereto.
 4. No use or occupancy or separate operation of part of the Work may occur prior to compliance with the requirements of Paragraph 6.05 regarding builder's risk or other property insurance.

15.05 *Final Inspection*

- A. Upon written notice from Contractor that the entire Work or an agreed portion thereof is complete, Engineer will promptly make a final inspection with Owner and Contractor and will notify Contractor in writing of all particulars in which this inspection reveals that the Work, or agreed portion thereof, is incomplete or defective. Contractor shall immediately take such measures as are necessary to complete such Work or remedy such deficiencies.

15.06 *Final Payment*

- A. *Application for Payment:*
 1. After Contractor has, in the opinion of Engineer, satisfactorily completed all corrections identified during the final inspection and has delivered, in accordance with the Contract Documents, all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance, certificates of

inspection, annotated record documents (as provided in Paragraph 7.11), and other documents, Contractor may make application for final payment.

2. The final Application for Payment shall be accompanied (except as previously delivered) by:
 - a. all documentation called for in the Contract Documents;
 - b. consent of the surety, if any, to final payment;
 - c. satisfactory evidence that all title issues have been resolved such that title to all Work, materials, and equipment has passed to Owner free and clear of any Liens or other title defects, or will so pass upon final payment.
 - d. a list of all disputes that Contractor believes are unsettled; and
 - e. complete and legally effective releases or waivers (satisfactory to Owner) of all Lien rights arising out of the Work, and of Liens filed in connection with the Work.
3. In lieu of the releases or waivers of Liens specified in Paragraph 15.06.A.2 and as approved by Owner, Contractor may furnish receipts or releases in full and an affidavit of Contractor that: (a) the releases and receipts include all labor, services, material, and equipment for which a Lien could be filed; and (b) all payrolls, material and equipment bills, and other indebtedness connected with the Work for which Owner might in any way be responsible, or which might in any way result in liens or other burdens on Owner's property, have been paid or otherwise satisfied. If any Subcontractor or Supplier fails to furnish such a release or receipt in full, Contractor may furnish a bond or other collateral satisfactory to Owner to indemnify Owner against any Lien, or Owner at its option may issue joint checks payable to Contractor and specified Subcontractors and Suppliers.

B. *Engineer's Review of Application and Acceptance:*

1. If, on the basis of Engineer's observation of the Work during construction and final inspection, and Engineer's review of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation as required by the Contract Documents, Engineer is satisfied that the Work has been completed and Contractor's other obligations under the Contract have been fulfilled, Engineer will, within ten days after receipt of the final Application for Payment, indicate in writing Engineer's recommendation of final payment and present the Application for Payment to Owner for payment. Such recommendation shall account for any set-offs against payment that are necessary in Engineer's opinion to protect Owner from loss for the reasons stated above with respect to progress payments. At the same time Engineer will also give written notice to Owner and Contractor that the Work is acceptable, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 15.07. Otherwise, Engineer will return the Application for Payment to Contractor, indicating in writing the reasons for refusing to recommend final payment, in which case Contractor shall make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application for Payment.

C. *Completion of Work:* The Work is complete (subject to surviving obligations) when it is ready for final payment as established by the Engineer's written recommendation of final payment.

D. *Payment Becomes Due:* Thirty days after the presentation to Owner of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation, the amount recommended by Engineer (less any further sum Owner is entitled to set off against Engineer's recommendation,

including but not limited to set-offs for liquidated damages and set-offs allowed under the provisions above with respect to progress payments) will become due and shall be paid by Owner to Contractor.

15.07 *Waiver of Claims*

- A. The making of final payment will not constitute a waiver by Owner of claims or rights against Contractor. Owner expressly reserves claims and rights arising from unsettled Liens, from defective Work appearing after final inspection pursuant to Paragraph 15.05, from Contractor's failure to comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein, from outstanding Claims by Owner, or from Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract Documents.
- B. The acceptance of final payment by Contractor will constitute a waiver by Contractor of all claims and rights against Owner other than those pending matters that have been duly submitted or appealed under the provisions of Article 17.

15.08 *Correction Period*

- A. If within one year after the date of Substantial Completion (or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract Documents, or by any specific provision of the Contract Documents), any Work is found to be defective, or if the repair of any damages to the Site, adjacent areas that Contractor has arranged to use through construction easements or otherwise, and other adjacent areas used by Contractor as permitted by Laws and Regulations, is found to be defective, then Contractor shall promptly, without cost to Owner and in accordance with Owner's written instructions:
 - 1. correct the defective repairs to the Site or such other adjacent areas;
 - 2. correct such defective Work;
 - 3. if the defective Work has been rejected by Owner, remove it from the Project and replace it with Work that is not defective, and
 - 4. satisfactorily correct or repair or remove and replace any damage to other Work, to the work of others, or to other land or areas resulting therefrom.
- B. If Contractor does not promptly comply with the terms of Owner's written instructions, or in an emergency where delay would cause serious risk of loss or damage, Owner may have the defective Work corrected or repaired or may have the rejected Work removed and replaced. Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals and all court or arbitration or other dispute resolution costs) arising out of or relating to such correction or repair or such removal and replacement (including but not limited to all costs of repair or replacement of work of others).
- C. In special circumstances where a particular item of equipment is placed in continuous service before Substantial Completion of all the Work, the correction period for that item may start to run from an earlier date if so provided in the Specifications.
- D. Where defective Work (and damage to other Work resulting therefrom) has been corrected or removed and replaced under this paragraph, the correction period hereunder with respect to such Work will be extended for an additional period of one year after such correction or removal and replacement has been satisfactorily completed.

- E. Contractor's obligations under this paragraph are in addition to all other obligations and warranties. The provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed as a substitute for, or a waiver of, the provisions of any applicable statute of limitation or repose.

ARTICLE 16 – SUSPENSION OF WORK AND TERMINATION

16.01 *Owner May Suspend Work*

- A. At any time and without cause, Owner may suspend the Work or any portion thereof for a period of not more than 90 consecutive days by written notice to Contractor and Engineer. Such notice will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. Contractor shall resume the Work on the date so fixed. Contractor shall be entitled to an adjustment in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Times, or both, directly attributable to any such suspension. Any Change Proposal seeking such adjustments shall be submitted no later than 30 days after the date fixed for resumption of Work.

16.02 *Owner May Terminate for Cause*

- A. The occurrence of any one or more of the following events will constitute a default by Contractor and justify termination for cause:
1. Contractor's persistent failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment or failure to adhere to the Progress Schedule);
 2. Failure of Contractor to perform or otherwise to comply with a material term of the Contract Documents;
 3. Contractor's disregard of Laws or Regulations of any public body having jurisdiction; or
 4. Contractor's repeated disregard of the authority of Owner or Engineer.
- B. If one or more of the events identified in Paragraph 16.02.A occurs, then after giving Contractor (and any surety) ten days written notice that Owner is considering a declaration that Contractor is in default and termination of the contract, Owner may proceed to:
1. declare Contractor to be in default, and give Contractor (and any surety) notice that the Contract is terminated; and
 2. enforce the rights available to Owner under any applicable performance bond.
- C. Subject to the terms and operation of any applicable performance bond, if Owner has terminated the Contract for cause, Owner may exclude Contractor from the Site, take possession of the Work, incorporate in the Work all materials and equipment stored at the Site or for which Owner has paid Contractor but which are stored elsewhere, and complete the Work as Owner may deem expedient.
- D. Owner may not proceed with termination of the Contract under Paragraph 16.02.B if Contractor within seven days of receipt of notice of intent to terminate begins to correct its failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure.
- E. If Owner proceeds as provided in Paragraph 16.02.B, Contractor shall not be entitled to receive any further payment until the Work is completed. If the unpaid balance of the Contract Price exceeds the cost to complete the Work, including all related claims, costs, losses, and damages (including but not limited to all fees and charges of engineers, architects, attorneys, and other professionals) sustained by Owner, such excess will be paid to Contractor. If the cost to complete the Work including such related claims, costs, losses,

and damages exceeds such unpaid balance, Contractor shall pay the difference to Owner. Such claims, costs, losses, and damages incurred by Owner will be reviewed by Engineer as to their reasonableness and, when so approved by Engineer, incorporated in a Change Order. When exercising any rights or remedies under this paragraph, Owner shall not be required to obtain the lowest price for the Work performed.

- F. Where Contractor's services have been so terminated by Owner, the termination will not affect any rights or remedies of Owner against Contractor then existing or which may thereafter accrue, or any rights or remedies of Owner against Contractor or any surety under any payment bond or performance bond. Any retention or payment of money due Contractor by Owner will not release Contractor from liability.
- G. If and to the extent that Contractor has provided a performance bond under the provisions of Paragraph 6.01.A, the provisions of that bond shall govern over any inconsistent provisions of Paragraphs 16.02.B and 16.02.D.

16.03 *Owner May Terminate For Convenience*

- A. Upon seven days written notice to Contractor and Engineer, Owner may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of Owner, terminate the Contract. In such case, Contractor shall be paid for (without duplication of any items):
 1. completed and acceptable Work executed in accordance with the Contract Documents prior to the effective date of termination, including fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such Work;
 2. expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing services and furnishing labor, materials, or equipment as required by the Contract Documents in connection with uncompleted Work, plus fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such expenses; and
 3. other reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination, including costs incurred to prepare a termination for convenience cost proposal.
- B. Contractor shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated overhead, profits, or revenue, or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

16.04 *Contractor May Stop Work or Terminate*

- A. If, through no act or fault of Contractor, (1) the Work is suspended for more than 90 consecutive days by Owner or under an order of court or other public authority, or (2) Engineer fails to act on any Application for Payment within 30 days after it is submitted, or (3) Owner fails for 30 days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, then Contractor may, upon seven days written notice to Owner and Engineer, and provided Owner or Engineer do not remedy such suspension or failure within that time, terminate the contract and recover from Owner payment on the same terms as provided in Paragraph 16.03.
- B. In lieu of terminating the Contract and without prejudice to any other right or remedy, if Engineer has failed to act on an Application for Payment within 30 days after it is submitted, or Owner has failed for 30 days to pay Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, Contractor may, seven days after written notice to Owner and Engineer, stop the Work until payment is made of all such amounts due Contractor, including interest thereon. The provisions of this paragraph are not intended to preclude Contractor from submitting a Change Proposal for an adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Times or otherwise for

expenses or damage directly attributable to Contractor's stopping the Work as permitted by this paragraph.

ARTICLE 17 – FINAL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

17.01 *Methods and Procedures*

- A. *Disputes Subject to Final Resolution:* The following disputed matters are subject to final resolution under the provisions of this Article:
 1. A timely appeal of an approval in part and denial in part of a Claim, or of a denial in full; and
 2. Disputes between Owner and Contractor concerning the Work or obligations under the Contract Documents, and arising after final payment has been made.
- B. *Final Resolution of Disputes:* For any dispute subject to resolution under this Article, Owner or Contractor may:
 1. elect in writing to invoke the dispute resolution process provided for in the Supplementary Conditions; or
 2. agree with the other party to submit the dispute to another dispute resolution process; or
 3. if no dispute resolution process is provided for in the Supplementary Conditions or mutually agreed to, give written notice to the other party of the intent to submit the dispute to a court of competent jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 18 – MISCELLANEOUS

18.01 *Giving Notice*

- A. Whenever any provision of the Contract Documents requires the giving of written notice, it will be deemed to have been validly given if:
 1. delivered in person, by a commercial courier service or otherwise, to the individual or to a member of the firm or to an officer of the corporation for which it is intended; or
 2. delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the last business address known to the sender of the notice.

18.02 *Computation of Times*

- A. When any period of time is referred to in the Contract by days, it will be computed to exclude the first and include the last day of such period. If the last day of any such period falls on a Saturday or Sunday or on a day made a legal holiday by the law of the applicable jurisdiction, such day will be omitted from the computation.

18.03 *Cumulative Remedies*

- A. The duties and obligations imposed by these General Conditions and the rights and remedies available hereunder to the parties hereto are in addition to, and are not to be construed in any way as a limitation of, any rights and remedies available to any or all of them which are otherwise imposed or available by Laws or Regulations, by special warranty or guarantee, or by other provisions of the Contract. The provisions of this paragraph will be as effective as if repeated specifically in the Contract Documents in connection with each particular duty, obligation, right, and remedy to which they apply.

18.04 *Limitation of Damages*

- A. With respect to any and all Change Proposals, Claims, disputes subject to final resolution, and other matters at issue, neither Owner nor Engineer, nor any of their officers, directors, members, partners, employees, agents, consultants, or subcontractors, shall be liable to Contractor for any claims, costs, losses, or damages sustained by Contractor on or in connection with any other project or anticipated project.

18.05 *No Waiver*

- A. A party's non-enforcement of any provision shall not constitute a waiver of that provision, nor shall it affect the enforceability of that provision or of the remainder of this Contract.

18.06 *Survival of Obligations*

- A. All representations, indemnifications, warranties, and guarantees made in, required by, or given in accordance with the Contract, as well as all continuing obligations indicated in the Contract, will survive final payment, completion, and acceptance of the Work or termination or completion of the Contract or termination of the services of Contractor.

18.07 *Controlling Law*

- A. This Contract is to be governed by the law of the state in which the Project is located.

18.08 *Headings*

- A. Article and paragraph headings are inserted for convenience only and do not constitute parts of these General Conditions.

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SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS**

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I. SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

A. *Caption and Introductory Statements*

Supplementary Conditions

These Supplementary Conditions amend or supplement the Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract, EJCDC® C-700 (2013 Edition). All provisions that are not so amended or supplemented remain in full force and effect.

The terms used in these Supplementary Conditions have the meanings stated in the General Conditions. Additional terms used in these Supplementary Conditions have the meanings stated below, which are applicable to both the singular and plural thereof.

The address system used in these Supplementary Conditions is the same as the address system used in the General Conditions, with the prefix "SC" added thereto.

ARTICLE 2 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS

SC-2.02 Add the following new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 2.02.B:

- C. Conformed documents incorporate and integrate Addenda and amendments negotiated prior to the Effective Date of the Contract. The conformed documents are produced for the convenience of the user and are not binding on the Owner nor do conformed documents take the place of the Contract Documents.

SC-3.01 *Intent*

SC-3.01 Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 3.01.E:

- F. The Specifications may vary in form, format and style. Some specification sections are written in varying degrees of streamlined or declarative style and some sections may be relatively narrative by comparison. Omissions of such words and phrases as "the Contractor shall," "in conformity with," "as shown," or "as specified" are intentional in streamlined sections. Omitted words and phrases shall be supplied by inference. Similar types of provisions may appear in various parts of a section or articles within a part depending on the format of the section. The Contractor shall not take advantage of any variation of form, format or style in making claims for extra Work.
- G. The cross referencing of specification sections under the subparagraph heading "Related Sections include but are not necessarily limited to:" and elsewhere within each specification section is provided as an aid and convenience to the Contractor. The Contractor shall not rely on the cross referencing provided and shall be responsible to coordinate the entire Work under the Contract Documents and provide a complete Project whether or not the cross referencing is provided in each section or whether or not the cross referencing is complete.

ARTICLE 5 – AVAILABILITY OF LANDS; SUBSURFACE AND PHYSICAL CONDITIONS; HAZARDOUS ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

SC-5.03 Subsurface and Physical Conditions

SC-5.03 Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 5.03.B:

- C. The following reports of explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site are known to Owner:
 - 1. October 24, 2014, prepared by ECS Carolinas, LLP, entitled: Report of Subsurface Exploration and Geotechnical Engineering Analysis.

SC-5.06 Hazardous Environmental Conditions

SC 5.06 Delete Paragraphs 5.06.A and 5.06.B in their entirety and insert the following:

- A. No reports or drawings related to Hazardous Environmental Conditions at the Site are known to Owner.
- B. Not Used.

ARTICLE 6 – BONDS AND INSURANCE

SC-6.03 Contractor's Insurance

SC 6.03 Add the following new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 6.03.J:

K. The limits of liability for the insurance required by Paragraph 6.03 of the General Conditions shall provide coverage for not less than the following amounts or greater where required by Laws and Regulations:

- 1. Workers' Compensation, and related coverages under Paragraphs 6.03.A.1 and A.2 of the General Conditions:

State:	<u>Statutory</u>
Federal, if applicable (e.g., Longshoreman's):	<u>Statutory</u>
Jones Act coverage, if applicable:	
Bodily injury by accident, each accident	\$ _____
Bodily injury by disease, aggregate	\$ _____
Employer's Liability:	
Bodily injury, each accident	\$ _____
Bodily injury by disease, each employee	\$ _____
Bodily injury/disease aggregate	\$ _____

For work performed in monopolistic states, stop-gap liability coverage shall be endorsed to either the worker's compensation or commercial general liability policy with a minimum limit of: \$ _____

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| Foreign voluntary worker compensation | Statutory _____ |
| 2. Contractor's Commercial General Liability under Paragraphs 6.03.B and 6.03.C of the General Conditions: | |
| General Aggregate | \$ _____ |
| Products - Completed Operations Aggregate | \$ _____ |
| Personal and Advertising Injury | \$ _____ |
| Each Occurrence (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) | \$ _____ |
| 3. Automobile Liability under Paragraph 6.03.D. of the General Conditions: | |
| Bodily Injury: | |
| Each person | \$ _____ |
| Each accident | \$ _____ |
| Property Damage: | |
| Each accident | \$ _____ |
| <i>or</i> | |
| Combined Single Limit of | \$ _____ |
| 4. Excess or Umbrella Liability: | |
| Per Occurrence | \$ _____ |
| General Aggregate | \$ _____ |

[See Paragraph 6.03.E of the General Conditions.]

[If Owner revises the standard terms by deleting the requirement that Contractor provide Excess or Umbrella liability insurance, then Owner should consider requiring (in SC-6.03.K.2) that "The aggregate limits under SC-6.03.K.2 (Commercial General Liability) be maintained fully available for this Contract by obtaining and maintaining a Designated Construction Project General Aggregate Limit endorsement, or equivalent."]

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| 5. Contractor's Pollution Liability: | |
| Each Occurrence | \$ _____ |
| General Aggregate | \$ _____ |

- If box is checked, Contractor is not required to provide Contractor's Pollution Liability insurance under this Contract

[See Paragraph 6.03.F of the General Conditions.]

[On some projects, the Owner may conclude that it is not cost-effective to require the Contractor to carry Contractor's Pollution Liability insurance, based on the type of work to be performed or knowledge of conditions at the Site. In such cases, check the box above and either delete the "Each Occurrence" and "General Aggregate" line items, or indicate "N.A." or "Not applicable" in the blanks.]

6. Additional Insureds: In addition to Owner and Engineer, include as additional insureds the following: *[Here list by name (not category, role, or classification) other persons or entities to be included on the commercial general liability, automobile liability, umbrella or excess, and pollution liability policies as additional insureds.]*

7. Contractor's Professional Liability:

Each Claim \$ _____
 Annual Aggregate \$ _____

[See Paragraph 6.03.H of the General Conditions.]

[Contractor's pollution liability and contractor's professional liability policies are sometimes sold as a hybrid or combined policy. If after receiving the advice of its risk managers the Owner concludes that it is an acceptable alternative for Contractor to provide such a combination policy, this should be stated here, together with the required policy limits for a combination policy.]

8. *[Here list additional types and amounts of insurance that may be required by Owner.]*

SC-6.05 Property Insurance

- SC-6.05. Add the following to the list of requirements in Paragraph 6.05.A, as a numbered item:

14. be subject to a deductible amount of no more than [\$_____] for direct physical loss in any one occurrence.

- SC-6.05.A.1 Add the following new subparagraph after subparagraph 6.05.A.1:

- a. In addition to Owner, Contractor, and all Subcontractors, include as insureds the following:

[Here list by name (not category, role, or classification) other persons or entities to be included on the builder's risk policy as insureds.]

- SC-6.05.A. Delete Paragraph 6.05.A of the General Conditions and substitute the following in its place:

Contractor shall provide and maintain installation floater insurance for property under the care, custody, or control of Contractor. The installation floater insurance shall be a

broad form or "all risk" policy providing coverage for all materials, supplies, machinery, fixtures, and equipment that will be incorporated into the Work. Coverage under the Contractor's installation floater will include:

1. any loss to property while in transit,
2. any loss at the Site, and
3. any loss while in storage, both on-site and off-site.

Coverage cannot be contingent on an external cause or risk, or limited to property for which the Contractor is legally liable. The Contractor will be solely responsible for any deductible carried under this coverage and claims on materials, supplies, machinery, fixture, and equipment that will be incorporated into the Work while in transit or in storage. This policy will include a waiver of subrogation applicable to Owner, Contractor, Engineer, all Subcontractors, and the officers, directors, partners, employees, agents and other consultants and subcontractors of any of them.

- A. Builder's Risk—Owner Purchase: In the event that the Owner, rather than the Contractor, will purchase the Builder's Risk insurance, use the following SC-6.05.A:

- SC 6.05.A. Delete the first sentence of Paragraph 6.05.A and insert the following sentence in its place:

Owner shall purchase and maintain builder's risk insurance upon the Work on a completed value basis, in the amount of the full insurable replacement cost thereof (subject to such deductible amounts as may be provided in the Supplementary Conditions or required by Laws and Regulations).

ARTICLE 7 – CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

SC-7.01 *Supervision and Superintendence*

- SC-7.01.B. Amend Paragraph 7.01.B to add the following sentences: "The Contractor shall identify their representative at the Site that shall have authority to act on behalf of Contractor. All communications given to or received from this representative shall be binding on Contractor."

- SC-7.01.C. Add the following new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 7.01.B:

Any superintendent or other personnel, who repeatedly fails to follow the Engineer's written or oral orders, directions, instructions, or determinations, shall be subject to removal from the project. Upon the written request of the Engineer, the Contractor shall immediately remove such superintendent or other personnel and name a replacement in writing. Noncompliance with the Engineer's request to remove and replace personnel at any level shall be grounds for terminating the Contract.

SC-7.02 *Labor; Working Hours*

- SC-7.02.B. Add the following new subparagraphs immediately after Paragraph 7.02.B:

1. Regular working hours will be 7:00am to 5:00pm.

- SC-7.02.C. Add the following new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 7.02.B:

Contractor shall be responsible for the cost of any overtime pay or other expense incurred by the Owner for Engineer's services (including those of the Resident Project

Representative, if any), Owner's representative, and construction observation services, occasioned by the performance of Work on Saturday, Sunday, any legal holiday, or as overtime on any regular work day. If Contractor is responsible but does not pay, or if the parties are unable to agree as to the amount owed, then Owner may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15.

SC-7.03 Services, Materials, and Equipment

SC-7.03.B. Add the following new subparagraphs immediately after Paragraph 7.03.B:

1. Where the Work requires equipment be furnished, due to the lack of standardization of equipment as produced by the various manufacturers, it may become necessary to make minor modifications in the structures, buildings, piping, mechanical work, electrical work, accessories, controls, or other work, to accommodate the particular equipment offered. Contractor's bid price for any equipment offered shall include the cost of making any necessary changes subject to the approval of Engineer.

SC-7.08 Permits

SC-7.08. Add a new paragraph immediately after Paragraph GC-7.08A. which is to read as follows:

"B. In those instances where a certificate of occupancy must be obtained before the Work under this Contract can be occupied and placed into service by Owner, it shall be the responsibility of Contractor to arrange, coordinate, and pay any costs of obtaining said certificate."

SC-7.09 Taxes

SC-7.12 Safety Protection

SC-7.18 Indemnification

SC 7.18.A Amend the second sentence of Paragraph 7.18.A by striking out "negligent".

ARTICLE 8 – OTHER WORK AT THE SITE

ARTICLE 9 – OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

SC-9.13 Owner's Site Representative

SC-9.13 Add the following new paragraph immediately after Paragraph 9.12 of the General Conditions:

SC-9.13 Owner will furnish an "Owner's Site Representative" to represent Owner at the Site and assist Owner in observing the progress and quality of the Work. The Owner's Site Representative is not Engineer's consultant, agent, or employee. Owner's Site Representative will be [*Here identify individual or entirety*]. The authority and responsibilities of Owner's Site Representative follow: [*Here describe the duties and activities of the Owner's Site Representative*]

ARTICLE 10 – ENGINEER’S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION*SC-10.03 Project Representative*

SC-10.03 Add the following new paragraphs immediately after Paragraph 10.03.A:

- B. The Resident Project Representative (RPR) will be Engineer's representative at the Site, will act as directed by and under the supervision of Engineer, and will confer with Engineer regarding RPR's actions.
1. General: RPR's dealings in matters pertaining to the Work in general shall be with Engineer and Contractor. RPR's dealings with Subcontractors shall only be through or with the full knowledge and approval of Contractor. RPR shall generally communicate with Owner only with the knowledge of and under the direction of Engineer.
 2. Schedules: Review the progress schedule, schedule of Shop Drawing and Sample submittals, and Schedule of Values prepared by Contractor and consult with Engineer concerning acceptability.
 3. Conferences and Meetings: Attend meetings with Contractor, such as preconstruction conferences, progress meetings, job conferences, and other Project-related meetings, and prepare and circulate copies of minutes thereof.
 4. Liaison:
 - a. Serve as Engineer's liaison with Contractor. Working principally through Contractor's authorized representative or designee, assist in providing information regarding the provisions and intent of the Contract Documents.
 - b. Assist Engineer in serving as Owner's liaison with Contractor when Contractor's operations affect Owner's on-Site operations.
 - c. Assist in obtaining from Owner additional details or information, when required for proper execution of the Work.
 5. Interpretation of Contract Documents: Report to Engineer when clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents are needed and transmit to Contractor clarifications and interpretations as issued by Engineer.
 6. Shop Drawings and Samples:
 - a. Record date of receipt of Samples and Contractor-approved Shop Drawings.
 - b. Receive Samples which are furnished at the Site by Contractor, and notify Engineer of availability of Samples for examination.
 - c. Advise Engineer and Contractor of the commencement of any portion of the Work requiring a Shop Drawing or Sample submittal for which RPR believes that the submittal has not been approved by Engineer.
 7. Modifications: Consider and evaluate Contractor's suggestions for modifications in Drawings or Specifications and report such suggestions,

together with RPR's recommendations, if any, to Engineer. Transmit to Contractor in writing decisions as issued by Engineer.

8. Review of Work and Rejection of Defective Work:
 - a. Conduct on-Site observations of Contractor's work in progress to assist Engineer in determining if the Work is in general proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents.
 - b. Report to Engineer whenever RPR believes that any part of Contractor's work in progress is defective, will not produce a completed Project that conforms generally to the Contract Documents, or will imperil the integrity of the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated in the Contract Documents, or has been damaged, or does not meet the requirements of any inspection, test or approval required to be made; and advise Engineer of that part of work in progress that RPR believes should be corrected or rejected or should be uncovered for observation, or requires special testing, inspection or approval.
9. Inspections, Tests, and System Start-ups:
 - a. Verify that tests, equipment, and systems start-ups and operating and maintenance training are conducted in the presence of appropriate Owner's personnel, and that Contractor maintains adequate records thereof.
 - b. Observe, record, and report to Engineer appropriate details relative to the test procedures and systems start-ups.
10. Records:
 - a. Prepare a daily report or keep a diary or log book, recording Contractor's hours on the Site, Subcontractors present at the Site, weather conditions, data relative to questions of Change Orders, Field Orders, Work Change Directives, or changed conditions, Site visitors, deliveries of equipment or materials, daily activities, decisions, observations in general, and specific observations in more detail as in the case of observing test procedures; and send copies to Engineer.
 - b. Record names, addresses, fax numbers, e-mail addresses, web site locations, and telephone numbers of all Contractors, Subcontractors, and major Suppliers of materials and equipment.
 - c. Maintain records for use in preparing Project documentation.
11. Reports:
 - a. Furnish to Engineer periodic reports as required of progress of the Work and of Contractor's compliance with the Progress Schedule and schedule of Shop Drawing and Sample submittals.
 - b. Draft and recommend to Engineer proposed Change Orders, Work Change Directives, and Field Orders. Obtain backup material from Contractor.

- c. Immediately notify Engineer of the occurrence of any Site accidents, emergencies, acts of God endangering the Work, force majeure or delay events, damage to property by fire or other causes, or the discovery of any Constituent of Concern or Hazardous Environmental Condition.
- 12. Payment Requests: Review applications for payment with Contractor for compliance with the established procedure for their submission and forward with recommendations to Engineer, noting particularly the relationship of the payment requested to the Schedule of Values, Work completed, and materials and equipment delivered at the Site but not incorporated in the Work.
- 13. Certificates, Operation and Maintenance Manuals: During the course of the Work, verify that materials and equipment certificates, operation and maintenance manuals and other data required by the Contract Documents to be assembled and furnished by Contractor are applicable to the items actually installed and in accordance with the Contract Documents, and have these documents delivered to Engineer for review and forwarding to Owner prior to payment for that part of the Work.
- 14. Completion:
 - a. Participate in Engineer's visits to the Site to determine Substantial Completion, assist in the determination of Substantial Completion and the preparation of a punch list of items to be completed or corrected.
 - b. Participate in Engineer's final visit to the Site to determine completion of the Work, in the company of Owner and Contractor, and prepare a final punch list of items to be completed and deficiencies to be remedied.
 - c. Observe whether all items on the final list have been completed or corrected and make recommendations to Engineer concerning acceptance and issuance of the notice of acceptability of the work.
- C. The RPR shall not:
 - 1. Authorize any deviation from the Contract Documents or substitution of materials or equipment (including "or-equal" items).
 - 2. Exceed limitations of Engineer's authority as set forth in the Contract Documents.
 - 3. Undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractors, or Suppliers.
 - 4. Advise on, issue directions relative to, or assume control over any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of Contractor's work.
 - 5. Advise on, issue directions regarding, or assume control over security or safety practices, precautions, and programs in connection with the activities or operations of Owner or Contractor.
 - 6. Participate in specialized field or laboratory tests or inspections conducted off-site by others except as specifically authorized by Engineer.

7. Accept Shop Drawing or Sample submittals from anyone other than Contractor.
8. Authorize Owner to occupy the Project in whole or in part.

[or]

B. On this Project, by agreement with the Owner, Engineer will not furnish a Resident Project Representative to represent Engineer at the Site or assist Engineer in observing the progress and quality of the Work. [See explanatory text at beginning of SC-9.13, and at beginning of SC-10.03, for discussion of this second alternative SC-10.03.B]

SC-10.06 Determinations for Unit Price Work

- 10.06.A Modify Paragraph GC-10.06.A by adding the following sentence at the end of the first sentence: "Contractor shall, at his own expense, provide help and other assistance as may be required for making measurements of Unit Price Work."

ARTICLE 13 – COST OF THE WORK; ALLOWANCES; UNIT PRICE WORK

SC-13.03 Unit Price Work

SC-13.03.B. Amend Paragraph 13.03.B to add the following sentences: "Progress estimates serve only as basis for partial payments. The Engineer may revise progress estimates and/or quantities any time before final acceptance. If the Engineer deems it proper to do so, changes may be made in progress estimates and in the final estimate."

SC-13.03.C. Amend Paragraph 13.03.C to add the following sentences: "Work described in the Contract Documents, or reasonably inferred as required for a functionally complete installation, but not identified in the listing of unit price items, shall be considered incidental to unit price work listed and the cost of incidental work included as a part of the unit price."

SC 13.03.E Delete Paragraph 13.03.E in its entirety and insert the following in its place:

- E. The unit price of an item of Unit Price Work shall be subject to reevaluation and adjustment under the following conditions:
1. if the extended price of a particular item of Unit Price Work amounts to 5 percent or more of the Contract Price (based on estimated quantities at the time of Contract formation) and the variation in the quantity of that particular item of Unit Price Work actually furnished or performed by Contractor differs by more than 25 percent from the estimated quantity of such item indicated in the Agreement; and
 2. if there is no corresponding adjustment with respect to any other item of Work; and
 3. if Contractor believes that Contractor has incurred additional expense as a result thereof, Contractor may submit a Change Proposal, or if Owner believes that the quantity variation entitles Owner to an adjustment in the unit price, Owner may make a Claim, seeking an adjustment in the Contract Price.

ARTICLE 15 – PAYMENTS TO CONTRACTOR; SET-OFFS; COMPLETION; CORRECTION PERIOD

SC-15.03 Substantial Completion

SC 15.03.B Add the following new subparagraph to Paragraph 15.03.B:

1. If some or all of the Work has been determined not to be at a point of Substantial Completion and will require re-inspection or re-testing by Engineer, the cost of such re-inspection or re-testing, including the cost of time, travel and living expenses, shall be paid by Contractor to Owner. If Contractor does not pay, or the parties are unable to agree as to the amount owed, then Owner may impose a reasonable set-off against payments due under Article 15.

SC-15.07 Waiver of Claims

SC-15.07.B. Amend Paragraph 15.07.B to state "The acceptance of final payment by Contractor will constitute a waiver by Contractor of all claims and rights against Owner and/or Engineer other than those pending matters that have been duly submitted or appealed under the provisions of Article 17."

ARTICLE 17 – FINAL RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

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COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

To: City Manager's Office
From: Kevin B. Greer, PE, Assistant Public Services Director - Public Utilities
Contact Person: Kevin B. Greer, PE
Date: October 20, 2015
Re: Agreement for Professional Services with HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas for the Emergency Generator at the Water Treatment Facility

REQUEST

Staff requests Council approval of this Amendment to the Agreement for Engineering Services with HDR Engineering, Inc of the Carolinas to perform professional engineering services related to construction administration and inspection services for the replacement emergency generator at the Water Treatment Facility in the amount of \$114,500.00.

BACKGROUND

The City of Hickory Water Treatment Facility was last upgraded in 1993. This upgrade included the installation of a new Emergency Generator that would provide power for the facility in the event of a power failure. The existing generator is a 1750 KW, 2400-Volt system that runs the critical components of the facility. The generator is approximately 24 years old as it was one of the first components installed during the last upgrade. The emergency generator is a critical piece of equipment for operations of the facility.

HDR Engineering, Inc. was contracted to complete an analysis for sizing and applicability and to design and bid the proposed solution. Bids were received on August 21, 2015 with Crowder Construction being the responsible low bidder,

ANALYSIS

The City of Hickory Water Treatment Facility is a 32 MGD Water Treatment Facility responsible for providing finished water to approximately 97,000 people daily. Given the critical nature of this facility and the service it provides, the facility upgrade included emergency power generation. The original generator was sized to run critical components of the treatment process when it was originally designed.

The existing emergency generator is experiencing failures on the power generation end of the emergency generator and has exceeded the mechanical life of the unit. Staff has had the existing emergency generator evaluated and vendors cannot provide replacement parts to repair the existing unit.

HDR Engineering, Inc. previously completed the project to evaluate the existing conditions, analyze the generator for proper sizing with the additions and modifications that have been made at the Water Treatment Facility since upgrade and to design, permit and bid the project as developed. Through the evaluation and design process, replacement of the generator with a split system sized for different duty points was determined to be the optimum solution. HDR Engineering, Inc. has designed the project to include 2 generators that are capable of running separately to power the facility currently and in parallel to operate at future levels.

Staff is proposing to hire HDR Engineering, Inc. to provide Construction Administration and Inspection services on the project due to the level of familiarity with the design and infrastructure, difficulty and specialty knowledge required to complete the project. This project is anticipated to take approximately a year to complete and will be staffed with an Engineer full time while the contractor is on-site. Fees were negotiated using standard accepted tables.

This project is planned as a component of the FY 15-16 Capital Budget to be funded from Capital Reserves. Council previously accepted bids on this project with second reading on October 6, 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Council approval of this Amendment to the Agreement for Engineering Services with HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas to perform Professional Engineering Services related to construction administration and inspection services for the replacement emergency generator at the Water Treatment Facility in the amount of \$114,500.00.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

030-8024-547.74-06

Reviewed by:

Chuck Hansen
Initiating Department Head

10/08/2015
Date

Annita M. Dula
Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

Date

Rodney Miller
Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-14-15
Date

A. Surratt
Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

10-15-15
Date

Melissa Miller
Finance Officer, Melissa Miller

10-13-15
Date

Bo Weichel
Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

10-13-15
Date

Date

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as
Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).

M. Berry
City Manager, M. Berry

Date

**AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER
AND
HDR ENGINEERING, INC. OF THE CAROLINAS
FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

THIS AMENDMENT to the Agreement dated 21 October, 2014 is made as of this 1st day of October, 2015, between the City of Hickory ("OWNER"), with principal offices at 76 North Center Street, Hickory, NC, 28601 and HDR Engineering, Inc. of the Carolinas, ("ENGINEER"), with offices at 440 South Church Street, Charlotte, NC 28202 for services in connection with the project known as the Emergency Generator Project ("Project");

WHEREAS, OWNER desires to engage ENGINEER to provide additional professional engineering, consulting and related services ("Services") in connection with the Project; and

WHEREAS, ENGINEER desires to render these Services as described in SECTION I, Scope of Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, OWNER and ENGINEER in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, agree as follows:

SECTION I. SCOPE OF SERVICES

ENGINEER will provide Services for this Amendment, which consist of the Scope of Services as outlined on the attached Exhibit C.

SECTION II. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

The "HDR Engineering, Inc. Terms and Conditions for Professional Services," which are attached in Exhibit B of the original Agreement, are incorporated into this Amendment by this reference as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION III. RESPONSIBILITIES OF OWNER

The OWNER shall provide the information set forth in paragraph 6 of the attached "HDR Engineering, Inc. Terms and Conditions for Professional Services."

SECTION IV. COMPENSATION

Compensation for ENGINEER'S services under this Amendment shall be on the basis of lump sum. The amount of the lump sum is One-Hundred and Fourteen Thousand and Five Hundred Dollars (\$114,500).

The amount of any sales tax, excise tax, value added tax (VAT), or gross receipts tax that may be imposed on this Agreement shall be added to the ENGINEER'S compensation as Reimbursable Expenses.

Compensation terms are defined as follows:

Lump Sum shall mean a fixed amount which shall be the total compensation agreed upon in advance for Scope of Services.

SECTION V. PERIOD OF SERVICE

Upon receipt of written authorization to proceed, ENGINEER shall perform the services within the time period(s) described in Exhibit C.

Unless otherwise stated in this Amendment, the rates of compensation for ENGINEER'S services have been agreed to in anticipation of the orderly and continuous progress of the project through completion. If any specified dates for the completion of ENGINEER'S services are exceeded through no fault of the ENGINEER, such as Acts of God, Delay attributed solely to Owner or unforeseeable delay related to Regulatory Agency, the time for performance of those services shall be automatically extended for a period which may be reasonably required for their completion and all rates, measures and amounts of ENGINEER'S compensation may be equitably adjusted, as agreed to in writing.

SECTION VI. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

None

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first written above.

City of Hickory
"OWNER"

BY: _____

NAME: Rudy Wright

TITLE: Mayor

ADDRESS: PO Box 398
Hickory, NC 28603

HDR Engineering Inc. of the Carolinas
"ENGINEER"

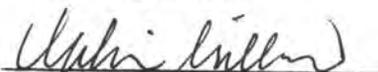
BY:  _____

NAME: L. Kevin Mosteller

TITLE: Senior Vice-President

ADDRESS: 440 South Church Street
Charlotte, NC 28202

This instrument has been preaudited
in the manner required by the Local
Government Budget and Fiscal
Control Act.



City of Hickory
Finance Officer



EXHIBIT C

SCOPE OF SERVICES

This section presents the proposed construction phase services for this project. In addition to these, HDR will perform project administration activities throughout the duration of the project, including maintaining a project filing system for storage and retrieval of documents, preparing monthly invoices for services, and maintaining a project cost accounting system.

Construction Phase Services

Engineer will perform the following activities during the Construction Phase Services task:

- A. General Administration of Construction Contract. Consult with Owner and act as Owner's representative. The extent and limitations of the duties, responsibilities and authority of Engineer as assigned in the Agreement, except as Engineer may otherwise agree in writing. All of Owner's instructions to Contractor will be issued through Engineer, who shall have authority to act on behalf of Owner in dealings with Contractor to the extent provided in the Agreement except as otherwise provided in writing.
- B. Resident Project Representative (RPR). Provide the services of an RPR at the Site to assist the Engineer and to provide more extensive observation of Contractor's work. RPR, or Engineer, will be onsite up to 240 hours over the duration of the 12-month construction period to participate in construction meetings and onsite observation during predetermined construction milestones in coordination with the construction schedule or during critical construction activities as determined by the RPR. Onsite observation will not begin until construction activities have reached a point beyond mobilization. The furnishing of such RPR's services will not extend Engineer's responsibilities or authority beyond the specific limits set forth elsewhere in this scope of services.
- C. Clarifications and Interpretations; Field Orders. Issue necessary clarifications and interpretations of the Contract Documents as appropriate to the orderly completion of Contractor's work. Such clarifications and interpretations will be consistent with the intent of and reasonably inferable from the Contract Documents. Engineer may issue Field Orders authorizing minor variations from the requirements of the Contract Documents.
- D. Change Orders and Work Change Directives. Recommend Change Orders and Work Change Directives to Owner, as appropriate, and prepare Change Orders and Work Change Directives as required.
- E. Shop Drawings and Samples. Review and approve or take other appropriate action in respect to Shop Drawings and Samples and other data which Contractor is required to submit, but only for conformance with the information given in the Contract Documents and compatibility with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated in the Contract Documents. Such reviews and approvals or other action will not extend to means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction or to safety precautions and programs incident thereto.



- F. Substitutes and "or-equal." Evaluate and determine the acceptability of substitute or "or-equal" materials and equipment proposed by Contractor.
- G. Applications for Payment. Based on Engineer's observations and on review of Applications for Payment and accompanying supporting documentation:
- a. Determine the amounts that Engineer recommends Contractor be paid. Such recommendations of payment will be in writing and will constitute Engineer's representation to Owner, based on such observations and review, that, to the best of Engineer's knowledge, information and belief, Contractor's work has progressed to the point indicated, the quality of such work is generally in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work as a functioning whole prior to or upon Substantial Completion, to the results of any subsequent tests called for in the Contract Documents and to any other qualifications stated in the recommendation), and the conditions precedent to Contractor's being entitled to such payment appear to have been fulfilled in so far as it is Engineer's responsibility to observe Contractor's work.
 - b. By recommending any payment, Engineer shall not thereby be deemed to have represented that observations made by Engineer to check the quality or quantity of Contractor's work as it is performed and furnished have been exhaustive, extended to every aspect of Contractor's work in progress, or involved detailed inspections of the Work beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer in this Agreement and the Contract Documents. Neither Engineer's review of Contractor's work for the purposes of recommending payments nor Engineer's recommendation of any payment including final payment will impose on Engineer responsibility to supervise, direct, or control Contractor's work in progress or for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction or safety precautions or programs incident thereto, or Contractor's compliance with Laws and Regulations applicable to Contractor's furnishing and performing the Work. It will also not impose responsibility on Engineer to make any examination to ascertain how or for what purposes Contractor has used the moneys paid on account of the Contract Price, or to determine that title to any portion of the work in progress, materials, or equipment has passed to Owner free and clear of any liens, claims, security interests, or encumbrances, or that there may not be other matters at issue between Owner and Contractor that might affect the amount that should be paid.
- H. Substantial Completion. Promptly after notice from Contractor that Contractor considers the entire Work ready for its intended use, in company with Owner and Contractor, conduct an inspection to determine if the Work is Substantially Complete.
- I. Final Notice of Acceptability of the Work. Conduct a final inspection to determine if the completed Work of Contractor is acceptable so that Engineer may recommend, in writing, final payment to Contractor.
- J. As-Recorded Drawings. Engineer will prepare As-Recorded Drawings by incorporating changes noted by the Contractor during the course of construction. Engineer will solely rely on the data provided by the Contractor and will not perform work to verify or correct nor collect additional data.



- K. **Duration of Construction Phase.** The Construction Phase will commence with the execution of the first Construction Agreement for the Project or any part thereof and will terminate upon written recommendation by Engineer for final payment to Contractors. The construction phase duration is 12 consecutive months beginning from notice to proceed.
- L. **Limitation of Responsibilities.** Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Contractor, or of any of their subcontractors, suppliers, or of any other individual or entity performing or furnishing any of the Work. Engineer shall not be responsible for failure of any Contractor to perform or furnish the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Engineer shall not control or have charge of, and shall not be responsible for, methods, techniques, sequences, procedures of construction, health or safety programs or precautions connected with the work and shall not manage, supervise, control or have charge of construction.

PERIOD OF SERVICE

The scope to be completed by HDR in support of construction phase services is to be completed within 12 consecutive months after notice-to-proceed.

HDR'S COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES

HDR's fee for the proposed scope of services is outlined below:

• Construction Administration:	\$33,100
• Conformed Documents:	\$2,852
• Site Observation:	\$49,068
• Submittal Reviews:	\$21,977
• Record Drawings:	<u>\$7,503</u>
TOTAL	\$114,500

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COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

Exhibit VIII.J.

To: City Manager's Office
From: Chuck Hansen, Director of Public Services
Contact Person: Rick Patton, Engineering Department
Date: August 19, 2015
Re: 35th Ave. Ct. NE

REQUEST: To accept 35th Ave. Ct. NE into City of Hickory street maintenance.

BACKGROUND: 35th Ave. Ct. NE was in very poor condition, but was recently brought up to City of Hickory roadway standards by the adjacent property owners. The section is about 550 feet long and is located on the east side of Falling Creek Road between Falling Creek Estates and Woodlawn Memorial Gardens. Public right of way existed previously and roadway is within the City limits.

ANALYSIS: 35th Ave. Ct. NE has been upgraded to City of Hickory standards and is eligible for City maintenance and inclusion on the Powell Bill listing. The work required to bring the road to City of Hickory standards was financed entirely with private funds and no City monies were used for that work.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that 35th Ave. Ct. NE be accepted for City of Hickory street maintenance and inclusion on Powell Bill listing.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

Reviewed by:

Chuck Hansen
Initiating Department Head

09-03-15
Date

Amanda M. Dula
Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

10-14-15
Date

Rodney Miller
Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-15-15
Date

A. Surratt
Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

10-14-15
Date

Melissa Miller
Finance Officer, Melissa Miller

10-14-15
Date

Bo Weichel
Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

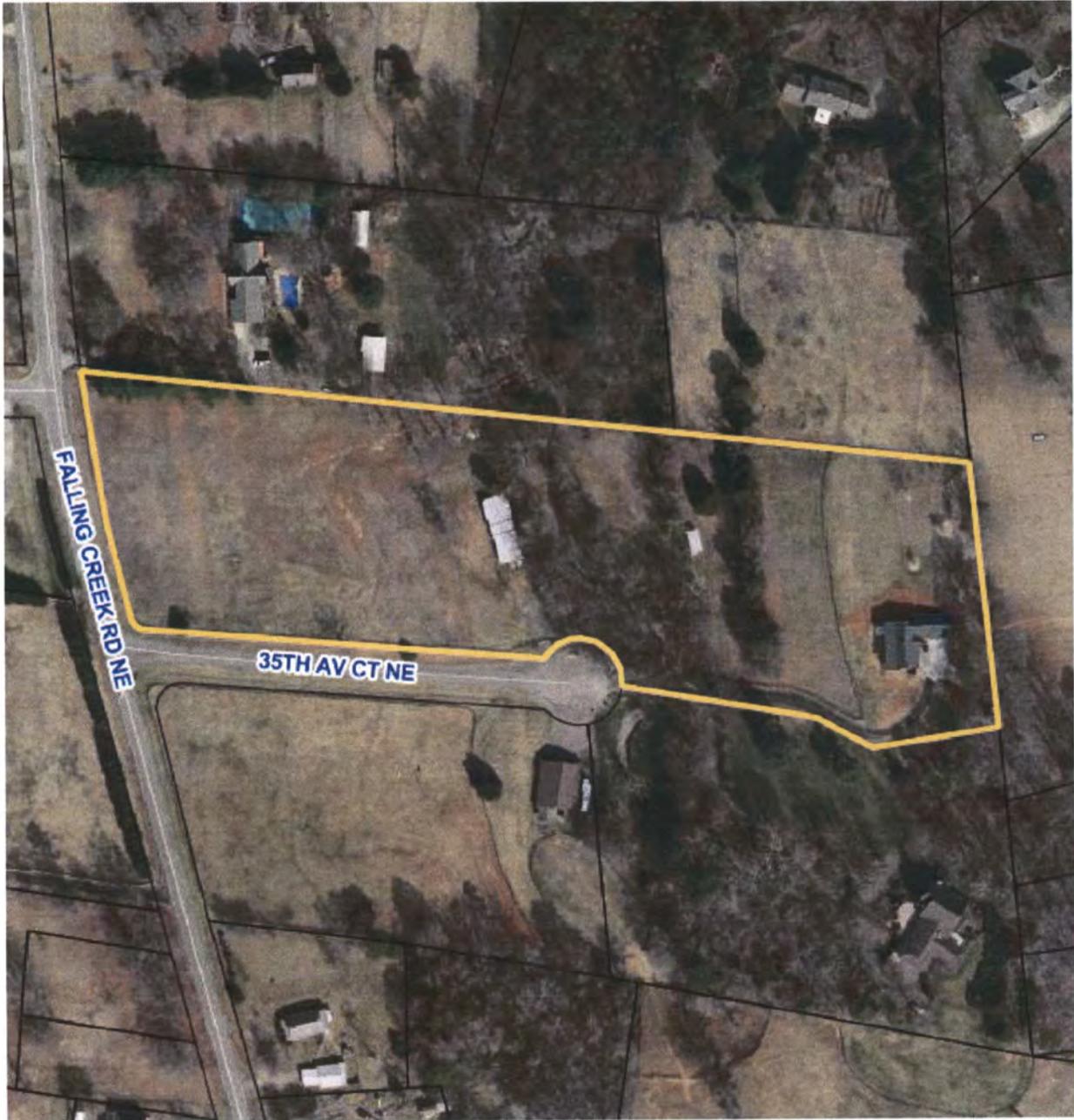
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Date

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as
Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).

M. Berry
City Manager, M. Berry

Date



1in=200ft

Parcel: 371410469030, 945 35TH AV CT NE HICKORY, 28601

Owners: FERGUSON SCOTT D, FERGUSON LUANN C

Owner Address: 945 35TH AVE CT NE

Values - Building(s): \$207,000, Land: \$158,500, Total: \$365,500

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BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT # 8

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory, that pursuant to Section 15 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the annual budget ordinance for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

SECTION 1. To amend the General Fund the expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Economic & Community Development	300	
Other Financing Uses	43	
Public Safety		43
Other Financing Sources	385	385
TOTAL	728	428

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the revenues will be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Miscellaneous Revenue	300	
TOTAL	300	-

SECTION 2. Copies of the budget ordinance amendment shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2015

Mayor

Clerk

GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE # 3

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory, that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, that the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted for the duration of the project.

SECTION 1. To establish the 2015 Urgent Repair Grant, the expenditures are to be recorded as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Economic and Community Development	55,000	-
TOTAL	55,000	-

To provide the funding for the above, the revenues will be recorded as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Restricted Governmental Revenue	50,000	
Miscellaneous Revenue	5,000	-
TOTAL	55,000	-

SECTION 2. Copies of the grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2015

Mayor

Clerk

**CITY OF HICKORY
GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE # 3
URGENT REPAIR PROGRAM 2015**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted for the duration of the project.

SECTION 1. The project authorization is the 2015 Urgent Repair Program.

SECTION 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the grant project within the terms of the budget contained herein.

SECTION 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

Restricted Government Revenue:	
URP – State Revenue	\$50,000
Miscellaneous Revenue:	
Miscellaneous	<u>5,000</u>
Total	\$55,000

SECTION 4. The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

Economic & Community Development:	
URP – Hard Energy	\$49,000
URP – Soft Costs	<u>6,000</u>
Total	\$ 55,000

SECTION 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Grant Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to provide the accounting required by any financing agreement associated with this project and/or State and Federal regulations.

SECTION 6. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to report quarterly on the financial status of each project element and on the total revenues received or claimed.

SECTION 7. The City Manager (Budget Officer) is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this grant project in every budget submission made to this board.

SECTION 8. Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

Adopted this the ____ day _____, 2015.

Mayor

Clerk

GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE # 4

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, that the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted for the duration of the project.

SECTION 1. To establish the U.S. Department of Justice JAG Equipment Grant, the expenditures shall be recorded as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Public Safety	32,455	-
	-	-
TOTAL	32,455	-

To provide funding for the above, the revenues will be recorded as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Restricted Governmental Revenue	32,455	-
	-	-
TOTAL	32,455	-

SECTION 2. Copies of the grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2015

Mayor

Clerk

**CITY OF HICKORY
GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE # 4
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, JAG EQUIPMENT GRANT**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted for the duration of the project.

SECTION 1. The project authorization is the U.S. Department of Justice JAG Equipment Grant.

SECTION 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with the grant project within the terms of the budget contained herein.

SECTION 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

Restricted Governmental Revenue:	
Federal Revenue	<u>\$32,455</u>
Total	\$32,455

SECTION 4. The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

Public Safety:	
Non-Asset Inventory	\$19,555
Radio Equipment – Other Agencies	<u>12,900</u>
Total	\$ 32,455

SECTION 5. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain within the Grant Project Fund sufficient specific detailed accounting records to provide the accounting required by any financing agreement associated with this project and/or State and Federal regulations.

SECTION 6. The Finance Officer is hereby directed to report quarterly on the financial status of each project element and on the total revenues received or claimed.

SECTION 7. The City Manager (Budget Officer) is directed to include a detailed analysis of past and future costs and revenues on this grant project in every budget submission made to this board.

SECTION 8. Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

Adopted this the _____ day _____, 2015.

Mayor

Clerk

GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE AMENDMENT # 2

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Board of the City of Hickory that pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, that the following amendment be made to the grant project ordinance for the duration of the project.

SECTION 1. To amend the General Capital Projects Fund (Miscellaneous Storm Damage Repairs), expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Transportation	-	383
Other Financing Uses	383	-
TOTAL	383	383

SECTION 2. To amend the Multi-Year Grant Project Fund (2013 Police Department Vests), expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Other Financing Uses	2	-
Public Safety	43	-
TOTAL	45	-

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the revenues will be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Miscellaneous	2	-
Other Financing Sources	43	-
TOTAL	45	-

SECTION 3. To amend the CDBG Entitlement Block Grant Fund, expenditures are to be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Community Development	78,750	-
TOTAL	78,750	-

To provide the additional revenue for the above, the revenues will be changed as follows:

FUNCTIONAL AREA	INCREASE	DECREASE
Miscellaneous	78,750	-
TOTAL	78,750	-

SECTION 4. Copies of the grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk of the Governing Board, and to the City Manager (Budget Officer) and the Finance Officer for their direction.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2015

Mayor

Clerk

CITY OF HICKORY TRAVEL EXPENSE REPORT

Exhibit X.A.

Name of Coworker: Rudy Wright

Travel dates: 10/12/2015 - 10/12/2015

Date of Report: October 12, 2015
(Must be submitted no later than
10 days after date of return)

Ignition City Vision 2015
Course description

Benton Convention Center
Location

PLEASE ATTACH ALL REQUIRED RECEIPTS

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	TOTALS		
								Cash	Credit Card	Vendor Ck
Room										
Meals										
Registration Fees										410.00
Airfare Expense										
Rental Car										
City Vehicle Expense										
Personal Vehicle (1)					Mileage	81.65		81.65		
City Fuel Card										
Other (2)										
								\$81.65		\$410.00

If personal vehicle was used, please fill in the number of miles driven: 142
(See notes #1 and #2)

Total Cash Expenses	\$ <u>81.65</u>	Balance Due Coworker	\$ _____	Account #	_____
Cash Advanced	\$ _____	Balance Due City	\$ _____	Account #	_____
Credit Card	\$ _____			Account #	_____
Vendor Check	\$ <u>410.00</u>				

CERTIFICATION: I certify that the above described travel was authorized official business, was not reimbursed by any other entity, and was performed in accordance with the City of Hickory Travel Policy and that no compensation was of a personal nature.

Coworker's Signature _____

Approved by

Date

1 - Current federal rate is \$0.575 per mile. May only receive reimbursement for use of a personal vehicle if City vehicle was not available.
2 - List other expenses on reverse side

COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

To: City Manager's Office

From: Planning & Development Services Department

Contact Person: Cal Overby, Principal Planner

Date: October 8, 2015

Re: Public Hearing – Voluntary Contiguous Annexation of property owned by Cecil and Rachel Munday

REQUEST

Conduct a public hearing for the consideration of the voluntary contiguous annexation of 11.936 acres (519,932.16 ft²) of property located in the 3000 block of Short Road, which is also identified as PIN 3711-12-95-4256.

BACKGROUND

Gregory Whitley, agent for Cecil and Rachel Munday, has submitted a petition for the voluntary contiguous annexation of 11.936 acres of property located in the 3000 block of Short Road. The annexation area is the proposed location of an eighty (80) unit residential apartment complex, the construction of which will require municipal water and sewer service.

ANALYSIS

The submitted petition is a request for consideration of the voluntary contiguous annexation of 11.936 acres of residential property located in the 3000 block of Short Road. Please refer to the accompanying maps for more detail.

The owners of the property are seeking annexation in order to obtain utility services (water & sewer) for a proposed residential development site. The subject property is proposed, with appropriate city and county approval, to be developed as the location of an eighty (80) unit residential apartment complex (See accompanying sketch plans). The subject property is currently located within the jurisdictional area of Catawba County, and is zoned R-20 Residential. Should the property be annexed, staff would recommend the property, after required hearings, be placed into a Planned Development zoning district. The petitioner has also requested the property be placed into a Planned Development district.

The current tax value of the vacant land is \$104,600.00. If annexed with its present value, the property would generate approximately \$592.00 in additional tax revenues. This estimate will increase as a result of the proposed development project. A similar apartment complex in north Hickory (29 North), built in 2013, currently has a tax value of ~\$5,200,000.

Upon analysis, staff has determined the petition meets the statutory requirements for voluntary contiguous annexation, and adequate public services are available.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff finds the petition to be in conformity with applicable statutes, and recommends approval of the requested annexation.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

Reviewed by:

Brian Frazier
Initiating Department Head

10/8/2015
Date

Amyta M. Dula
Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

10-16-15
Date

Rodney Miller
Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-14-15
Date

A. Surratt
Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

10-15-15
Date

Melissa Miller
Finance Officer, Melissa Miller

10-13-15
Date

Bo Weichel
Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

10-12-15
Date

Date

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).

M. Berry
City Manager, M. Berry

Date

CITY OF HICKORY APPLICATION FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION

DATE SUBMITTED: 9/22/15**TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA:**

I (We), the undersigned, do hereby respectfully make application and petition for voluntary annexation into the municipal limits of the City of Hickory, and have provided an annexation plat meeting the requirements of the City of Hickory

1. The property to be voluntarily annexed is located on Short Road, just south of its intersection with Startown Road, and is shown in more detail on the attached survey.

PIN NO.: **371112954256.**

Physical (Street) Address: Short Road, Hickory, NC. Applicant is not aware of a physical address for the site. Deed is shown in Book 1380, Page 569, Catawba County Registry.

2. The property is owned by: **Cecil and Rachel Munday.**
(Attach a copy of the most recent deed, contract for purchase or other legal interest demonstrating an interest in the property.)

Owner Information:

Name: **Cecil and Rachel Munday.**Address: **300 Dogwood Drive, Hickory, NC 28601.**Phone Number: (828) 396-5878

3. The petition is submitted by: **Attorney Gregory T. Whitley.**
(If the Petition is submitted by someone other than the owner, the attached agent authorization must be signed, notarized and submitted from the owner(s) authorizing the agent to act on his behalf.)

Agent Information:

Name: **Gregory T. Whitley.**Address: **131 S. Cool Spring St., Fayetteville, NC 28301.**Phone Number: **(910) 483-0107.**

4. If annexation is approved by the Hickory City Council, and if the property(s) is not currently zoned by the City of Hickory, the applicant would request that the property be placed into a **Planned Development** zoning district.

5. APPLICANT'S AFFIDAVIT

We, the undersigned Applicant, hereby certify that the information contained herein and submitted in support of this application is true and correct and the property owner's list and associated envelopes were obtained using the most recent Tax Office property information and are true, correct and complete.

Cecil Munday/Rachel Munday
Printed Name of Applicant

Cecil Munday Rachel Munday
Signature of Applicant

300 Dogwood Drive, Hickory, NC 28601
Address of Applicant

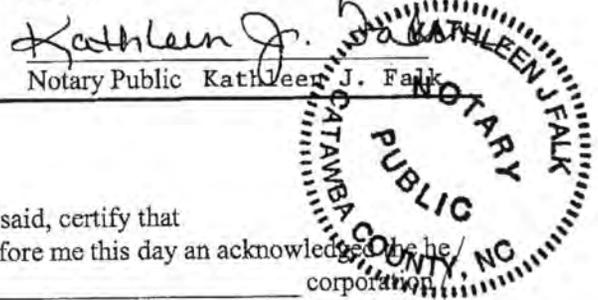
828-396-5878
Telephone Number of Applicant

(Please choose the appropriate notary block)

State of North Carolina - County of Catawba

I, the undersigned Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that Cecil & Rachel Munday personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of this foregoing instrument for the purposes expressed herein. Witness my hand and Notarial stamp or seal, this 22nd day of September, 20 15.

My Commission Expires: 8/3/2017



State of North Carolina - County of _____

I, the undersigned Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that _____ personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he/she is the _____ of _____ corporation, limited liability corporation / general partnership / limited partnership (strike through the inapplicable), and that by authority duly given and as the act of such entity he /she signed the foregoing instrument in its mane on its behalf as its act and deed. Witness my hand and Notarial stamp or seal, this _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

My Commission Expires: _____

Notary Public

Drawn by Cagle and Houck, Attorneys, P. O. Box 2050, Hickory, NC 28603

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)
)
 COUNTY OF CATAWBA)

BOOK 1330 PAGE 569
WARRANTY DEED

5298

THIS DEED, made this the 6th day of November, 1984, by VIOLET M. BURRIS, Widow of Samuel J. Burris, of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina, party of the first part, to CECIL J. MUNDAY and wife, RACHEL B. MUNDAY whose mailing address is Post Office Box 3, Rhodiss, of the County of Burke and State of North Carolina, parties of the second part;

WITNESSETH:

THAT the said party of the first part, in consideration of the sum of ONE HUNDRED (\$100) DOLLARS and other good and valuable considerations to them paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, has bargained and sold, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, a certain tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in Hickory Township, Catawba County, State of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING on a railroad spike set in the pavement of N. C. State Road No. 1166, said spike being 6.2 feet from the south edge of the pavement of said road and said spike marking the northeast corner of that certain property now, or formerly owned by Frank L. Whitener and runs thence from said Beginning Point within the right of way of N. C. State Road No. 1166, North 49° 57' 10" East 372.87 feet to a railroad spike; thence continuing in said right of way, North 37° 02' East 405.00 feet to a railroad spike located 1.6 feet from the northern edge of the pavement of said N. C. State Road No. 1166; thence a new line, South 51° 40' 50" East, passing an iron pin delineating the southern right-of-way margin of N. C. State Road No. 1166 at 38.40 feet; a total distance of 530.11 feet to an iron pin; thence another new line, South 20° 47' 05" West 390.44 feet to an iron pin; thence another new line crossing a creek, North 84° 00' West 75.00 feet to an iron pin; thence another new line, South 22° 37' 30" West 274.06 feet to an iron pin on the northern line of that certain property now, or formerly, owned by the John Whitener Estate; thence with that northern line, North 84° 00' West 485.34 feet to an iron pin found; thence continuing North 84° 00' West 5.00 feet to an iron pin in the center of an old roadbed, a private access road; thence with the centerline of said old roadbed, a private access road, North 23° 05' 35" West 352.50 feet to the point and place of Beginning. Containing 11.936 acres.

The foregoing description is taken from a plat prepared by Vaughn and Bradshaw Surveying Company dated August 15, 1984, and entitled "Property of Violet M. Burris."

The foregoing conveyance is also made subject to the right of way for N. C. State Road No. 1166 along its northernmost boundary and for a private access road along its westernmost boundary.

For partial chain of title see Book 410 at Page 206, Catawba County Registry.

NO REVENUE

FILED
RUTH MACKIE
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BOOK 1380 PAGE 570

REGISTER OF DEEDS

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the aforesaid tract or parcel of land and all privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, to the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, to their only use and behoof in fee simple forever.

AND the said party of the first part for herself and her heirs, executors and administrators, covenant to and with the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns, that she is lawfully seized of said premises in fee and has right to convey the same in fee simple; that the same are free and clear of all encumbrances and that she does hereby forever warrant and will forever defend the title to the same against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said party of the first part has hereunto set her hand and seal, the day and year first above written.

Violet M. Burris (SEAL)
Violet M. Burris, Widow of
Samuel J. Burris

NORTH CAROLINA
CATAWBA COUNTY

I, Abbie Abernethy, Notary Public in and for said County and State do hereby certify that VIOLET M. BURRIS, Widow, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument.

WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this 8th day of November, 1984.



Abbie Abernethy
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: 11-28-86

NORTH CAROLINA
CATAWBA COUNTY

The foregoing certificate of Abbie Abernethy, a N. P. of Catawba Co., NC is certified to be correct. This instrument was presented for registration this 6th day of November, 1984, at 11:23 o'clock A. M., and duly recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Catawba County, North Carolina, in Book 1380 at Page 569.

This the 6th day of December, 1984.

Ruth Mackie
Register of Deeds
-2- By: Lenae Reinhardt, Asst.

Purchase and Sale Agreement

Exhibit B

Legal Description/Depiction of the PropertyProperty of Cecil and Rachel MundayDeed Book 1380, Page 569, Catawba County RegistryCatawba County Tax Department Parcel Identification Number 371112954256

BEGINNING on a railroad spike set in the pavement of N. C. State Road No. 1166, said spike being 6.2 feet from the south edge of the pavement of said road and said spike marking the northeast corner of that certain property now, or formerly owned by Frank L. Whitener and runs thence from said Beginning Point within the right of way of N. C. State Road No. 1166, North 49° 57' 10" East 372.87 feet to a railroad spike; thence continuing in said right of way, North 37° 02' East 405.00 feet to a railroad spike located 1.6 feet from the northern edge of the pavement of said N. C. State Road No. 1166; thence a new line, South 51° 40' 50" East, passing an iron pin delineating the southern right-of-way margin of N. C. State Road No. 1166 at 38.40 feet, a total distance of 530.11 feet to an iron pin; thence another new line, South 20° 47' 05" West 390.44 feet to an iron pin; thence another new line crossing a creek, North 84° 00' West 75.00 feet to an iron pin; thence another new line, South 22° 37' 30" West 274.06 feet to an iron pin on the northern line of that certain property now, or formerly, owned by the John Whitener Estate; thence with that northern line, North 84° 00' West 486.34 feet to an iron pin found; thence continuing North 84° 00' West 5.00 feet to an iron pin in the center of an old roadbed, a private access road; thence with the centerline of said old roadbed, a private access road, North 23° 05' 35" West 352.50 feet to the point and place of Beginning. Containing 11.936 acres.

The foregoing description is taken from a plat prepared by Vaughn and Bradshaw Surveying Company dated August 15, 1984, and entitled "Property of Violet M. Burris."

The foregoing conveyance is also made subject to the right of way for N.C. State Road No. 1166 along its northernmost boundary and for a private access road along its westernmost boundary.

Description:

Being located in Hickory Township, Catawba County, North Carolina and more particularly described as:

BEGINNING at an existing railroad spike in the pavement of Short Road (S.R. 1166), said spike being the northeast corner of Tammy T. Bolick (deed book 2925, page 53); thence with Short Road, **North 49 degrees- 57 minutes- 10 seconds East, 372.87 feet** to an existing railroad spike near the center of the road; thence continuing with Short Road, **North 37 degrees- 02 minutes- 00 seconds East, 405.00 feet** to an existing railroad spike, said pipe being the northwest corner of Catawba County (deed book 3255, page 606); thence with the line of Catawba County, **South 51 degrees- 40 minutes- 50 seconds East, 38.40 feet** to an existing 3/4" pipe on the southern right of way of Short Road; thence continuing with the line of Catawba County and Kathy H. Burris (deed book 2938, page 110), **South 51 degrees- 40 minutes- 50 seconds East, 491.71 feet** to an existing iron pin; thence continuing with the line of Burris the following three (3) calls: (1) **South 20 degrees- 47 minutes- 05 seconds West, 390.44 feet** to an existing iron pin; (2) **North 84 degrees- 00 minutes- 00 seconds West, 75.00 feet** to an existing iron pin; (3) **South 22 degrees- 37 minutes- 30 seconds West, 274.06 feet** to an existing iron pin in the line of Frank L. Whitener (deed book 1731, page 893 and deed book 988, page 302), **North 84 degrees- 00 minutes- 00 seconds West, 491.11 feet** to an existing iron pin in the center of a gravel drive, the southeast corner of Frank L. Whitener (deed book 1013, page 273); thence with the line of Frank L. Whitener (deed book 1013, page 273) and Tammy T. Bolick (deed book 2925, page 53), **North 23 degrees- 05 minutes- 35 seconds West, 352.55 feet** to the place and point of **BEGINNING**, containing **11.936 Acres** by coordinate computation and said description being the same as surveyed by Miller Surveying, Inc. (Drawing H3B-4877) dated August 25, 2015.

VOLUNTARY CONTIGUOUS ANALYSIS

APPLICANT: Cecil and Rachel Munday

AGENT: Gregory T. Whitley

PROPERTY LOCATION (See Map 1): 3000 Block of Short Road

PIN NUMBER: 3711-11-12-95-4256

WARD: If annexed, the subject property will be located in Ward 3 (Councilman Seaver).

REQUESTED ACTION: The request is for a voluntary contiguous annexation. The annexation is being requested to obtain connections to the City's water and sewer system.

ACREAGE: 11.936 acres (519,932.16 ft²)

DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL: The subject property is currently located within the jurisdictional area of Catawba County, and zoned R-20 Residential. Properties located within Catawba County's R-20 Residential district can be developed primarily for one and two family residential uses at a maximum density of two (2) dwelling units per acre. Given this prescribed maximum density, the property could theoretically yield up to twenty (23) residential dwelling units.

The petitioners have indicated their desire to develop the property for multi-family residential purposes, i.e. an apartment complex. The development proposal consists of an eighty (80) unit apartment complex containing four residential buildings, and one clubhouse. A draft site and building elevation plan is attached for reference.

The developer, in consultation with city staff and contingent upon annexation, desires to have the property zoned Planned Development (PD). This Planned Development process will provide a high degree of certainty with regards to the future development of the property.

TAX VALUE: The current tax value of the vacant land is \$104,600.00. If annexed with its present value, the property would generate approximately \$592.00 in additional tax revenues. This estimate will increase as a result of the proposed development project. A similar apartment complex in north Hickory (29 North), built in 2013, currently has a tax value of ~\$5,200,000.

POPULATION INCREASES: As previously outlined, the property is proposed to be developed for the location of an eighty (80) unit apartment complex. Should the development proceed as intended, the development could potentially add 199 residents (80 potential dwelling units X 2.49 average household size).

SCHOOL DISTRICTS: The property is located within the jurisdictional area of the Catawba County Public School System, and located in the following school districts:

School Type	School District	Student Multiplier Per Dwelling	Number of Potential Dwelling Units	Potential Additional Students
Elementary	Blackburn	0.21	80	16.8
Middle	Jacobs Fork	0.06	80	4.8
High	Fred T. Foard	0.04	80	3.2

**Note: The student multipliers above reflect numbers for multi-family dwellings only.*

SURROUNDING LAND USE AND ZONING (See Maps 2 & 3):

- **North:** The property is zoned Office & Institutional (OI), and is occupied by a medical office (Fairbrook Medical Clinic);
- **South:** The properties are zoned R-20 Residential (Catawba County), and are either occupied by single-family residences or are vacant / wooded;
- **East:** The property is zoned Low Density Residential (R-1) and Office & Institutional (OI), and is occupied by a single family residence; and
- **West:** The properties are zoned R-20 Residential (Catawba County), and are occupied by single-family residences.

UTILITY SERVICE: Water and wastewater infrastructure are available to serve the property with extensions. Both utilities are located in the area of Startown Road, and will require the developer to install infrastructure along Short road to make the connections.

ACCESS: Access to the subject property is available, and planned to be from Short Road.

DISTANCE FROM CITY LIMITS (See Map 1): The proposed annexation area is immediately adjacent to the City's existing corporate boundary on its northern and western boundaries.

STAFF COMMENTS:

- Annexation of this property would not adversely affect the operations of the fire department. Property is currently in Engine 5 fire district and will remain.
 - Additional Comments:
 - a. Fire hydrants shall be provided and distributed in accordance to Chapter 11 of the Hickory City Code and the NC Fire Code. See Section 8.11.5 of the Land Development Code for minimum requirements.
 - b. Construction and use of the buildings shall comply with the NC Fire and Building Code.
 - c. As the area is developed, access to the building and fire hydrants shall be provided in accordance to the NC Fire Code and Chapter 11 of the Hickory City Code.
- **Police Department:** Police protection is adequate. The property will be located within the patrol area of Charles PACT.

- Engineering: No objections.
- Planning: The subject property must be properly zoned by the City of Hickory. Staff, with the concurrence of the property owners, recommends the property be placed into a Planned Development (PD) zoning district.
- Public Services: Solid Waste can service this property with no issues or disruptions to our current service level.
- Public Utilities: Water and wastewater infrastructure are available to serve the property with extensions. Both utilities are located in the area of Startown Road and will require the developer to install infrastructure along Short road to make the connections. All improvements will be at the expense of the developer, and are to be approved by the City of Hickory Public Utilities Department. Plans and specifications must be prepared by a licensed NC Professional Engineer and must be permitted through NCDENR after approval by the City of Hickory Public Utilities Department. Project will require Pump Station which will result in approximately \$10,000/yr expense for power.
- Legal: No objections.
- City Manager's Office: No objections.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Upon evaluation staff has found the following:

1. The voluntary annexation petition complies with all applicable statutes regarding the voluntary annexation of contiguous properties;
2. Adequate public services are available in sufficient quantities to properly serve the subject property; and
3. The annexation of the property will not cause available public services to fall below acceptable levels.

Based upon the findings provided above, staff recommends City Council approve the voluntary contiguous annexation petition.



Cecil and Rachel Munday
Voluntary Contiguous Annexation
Map 1. Existing City Boundary

 Annexation Area
 Existing City Limits
 ETJ
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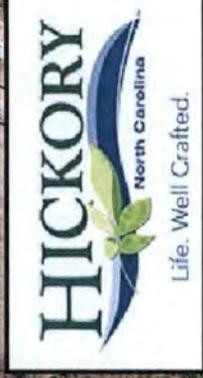


Note: Area shown in white is outside of the City's ETJ.

Cecil and Rachel Munday
 Voluntary Contiguous Annexation
 Map 2. Existing Land Use



Annexation Area



CVCC

Fairbrook Medical Clinic

MARKLAND DR

STAR TOWN RD

ROBINWOOD RD

CATAWBA VALLEY BLVD SE

23RD ST DR SE

21ST AV SE

MIAMI ST

RENNICK DR

SHORTTO

ROCKET ST

R. P. WHITENER LN

**Cecil and Rachel Munday
Voluntary Contiguous Annexation
Map 3. Existing Zoning**

 Annexation Area

Hickory Zoning

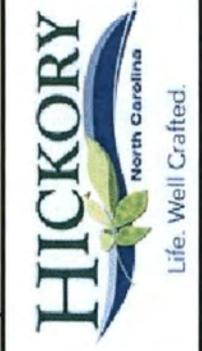
-  Low Density Residential (R-1)
-  Office & Institutional (OI)
-  Regional Commercial (C-3)

Catawba County Zoning

-  R-20 Residential

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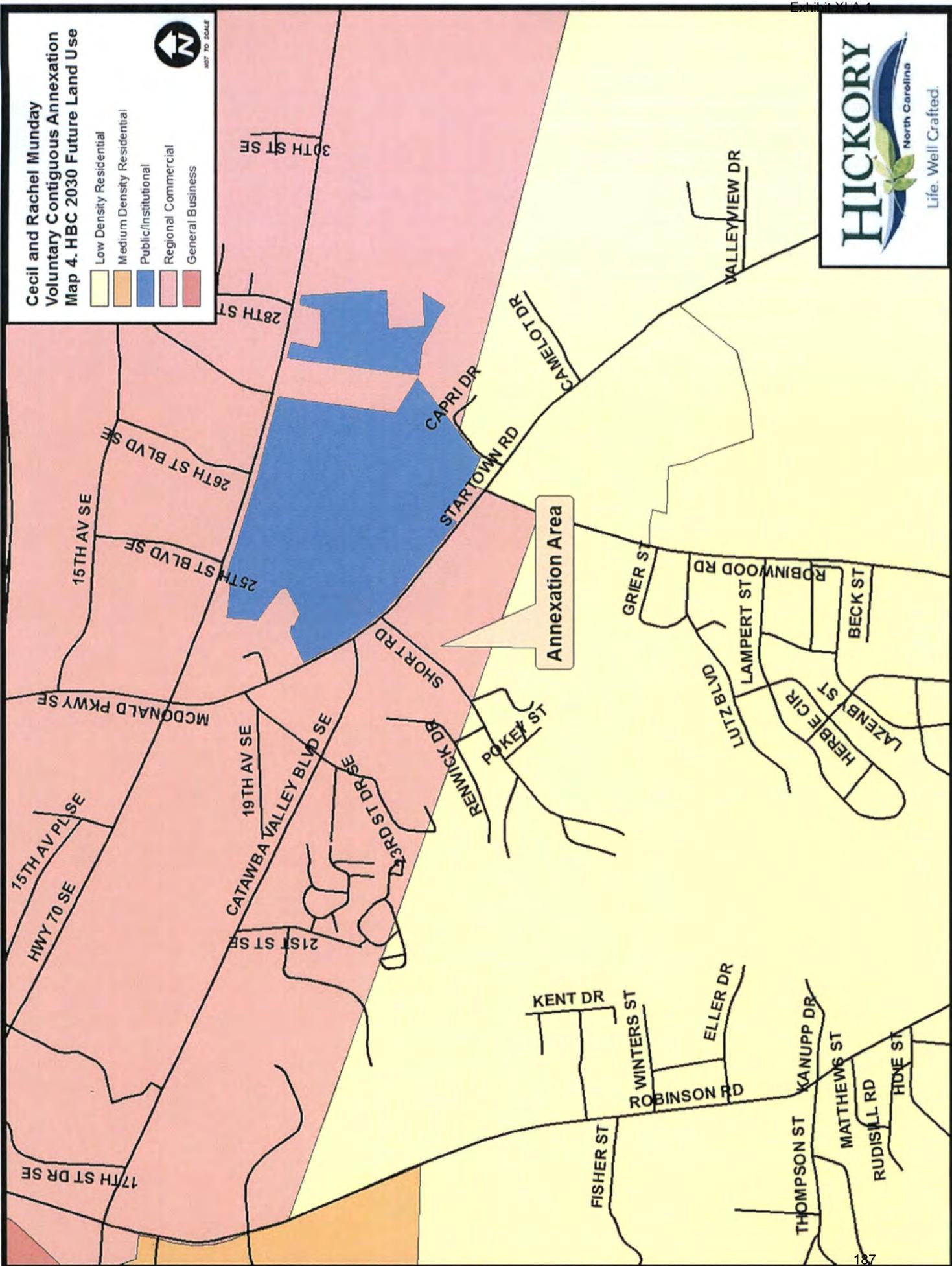




**Cecil and Rachel Munday
Voluntary Contiguous Annexation
Map 4. HBC 2030 Future Land Use**

- Low Density Residential
- Medium Density Residential
- Public/Institutional
- Regional Commercial
- General Business

NOT TO SCALE



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BY	1/28/09
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MARTIN RILEY ASSOCIATES - ARCHITECTS, P.C.
 725 CHURCH STREET, SUITE 200, DECATUR, GEORGIA 30030-3229 404-373-2800
 FAIRBROOK PLACE APARTMENTS
 HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA



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FAIRBROOK PLACE APARTMENTS

HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA

UNDEVELOPED



- UNIT LAYOUT:**
 2 BEDROOM UNITS: 48
 AREA: 951 SF (HEATED)
 (2 HC UNITS W/ TUBS & 2 HC UNITS W/ SHOWERS)
- 3 BEDROOM UNITS: 32
 AREA: 1,145 SF (HEATED)
 (2 HC UNITS W/ TUBS & 2 HC UNITS W/ SHOWERS)
- (2 HC SHOWER UNITS WILL ALSO BE EQUIPPED FOR ANY IMPAIRED)
- TOTAL UNITS: 80
- REQUIRED PARKING:**
 2 SPACES PER UNIT: 160 (WHICH INCLUDES 12 HANDICAP PARKING SPACES)
- SITE ACRES:**
 11.440 ACRES
- REQUIRED AMENITIES:**
 (A) PLAYGROUND
 (B) MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
 (C) COVERED PICNIC AREA W/ 2 TABLES AND GRILL
- ADDITIONAL AMENITIES:**
 (D) COVERED PATIO W/ SEATING
 (E) EXERCISE ROOM
 (F) RESIDENT COMPUTER CENTER
- SITE NOTES:**
 • SITE CUT AND FILL BALANCES
 • NO RETAINING WALLS REQUIRED



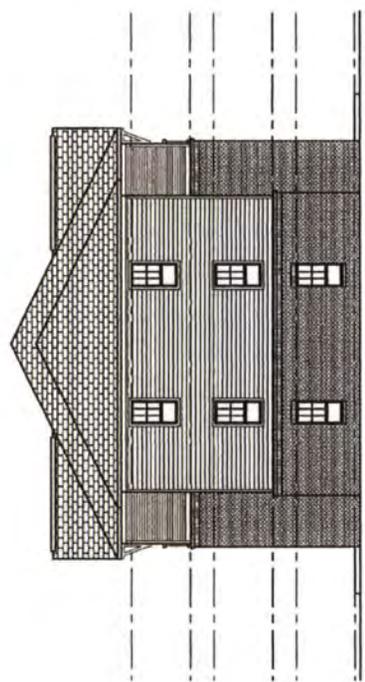
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CLIENT	

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- 30 YEAR ARCHITECTURAL FIBERGLASS SHINGLES
- LAP FIBER CEMENT SIDING (4" AND 1" PROFILES)
- FIBER CEMENT SHAKES
- BRICK VENEER
- METAL ROOF ACCENTS
- SEAMLESS GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS



2 BUILDINGS 1 & 2 SIDE ELEVATIONS
 (BUILDING TYPE A)
 1/16" = 1' - 0"



1 BUILDINGS 1 & 2 FRONT AND REAR ELEVATION
 (BUILDING TYPE A)
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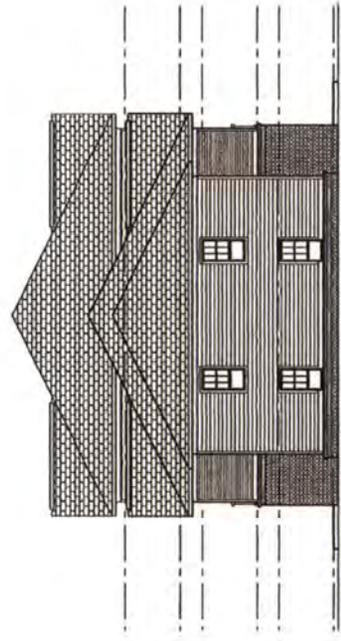
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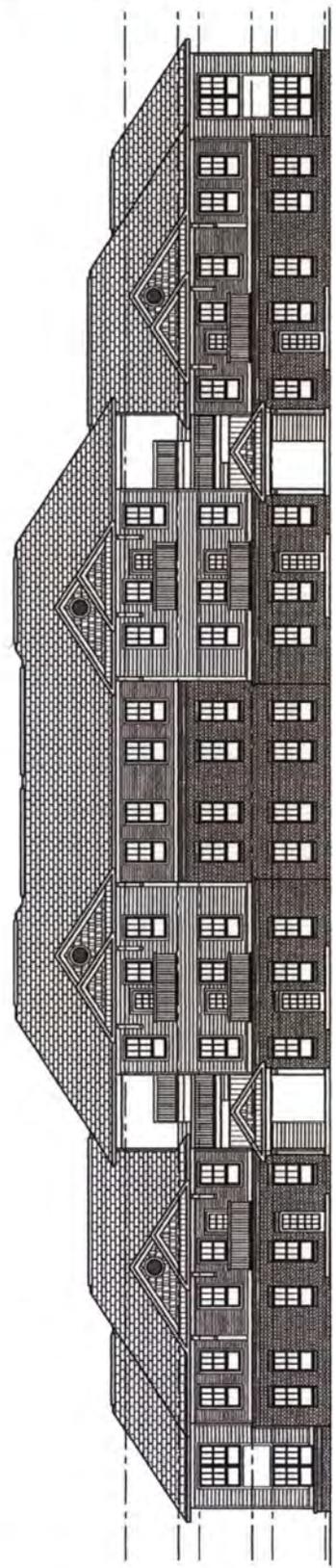
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- BRICK VENEER
- METAL ROOF ACCENTS
- SEAMLESS GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS



2 BUILDING 3 SIDE ELEVATIONS
 (BUILDING TYPE B)
 1/16" = 1' - 0"



1 BUILDING 3 FRONT AND REAR ELEVATION
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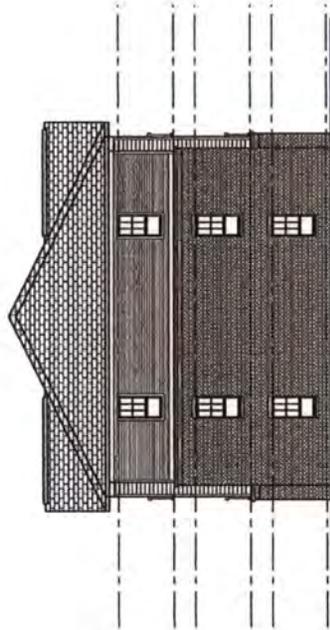
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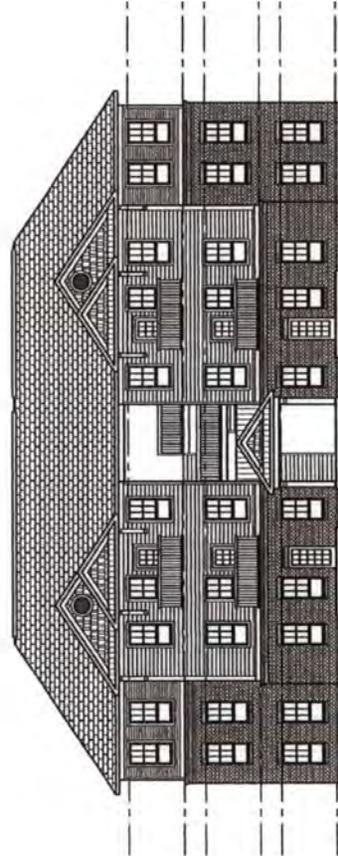
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- FIBER CEMENT SHAKES
- BRICK VENEER
- METAL ROOF ACCENTS
- SEAMLESS GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS



2 BUILDING 4 SIDE ELEVATIONS
 (BUILDING TYPE C)
 1/16" = 1' - 0"



1 BUILDING 4 FRONT & REAR ELEVATIONS
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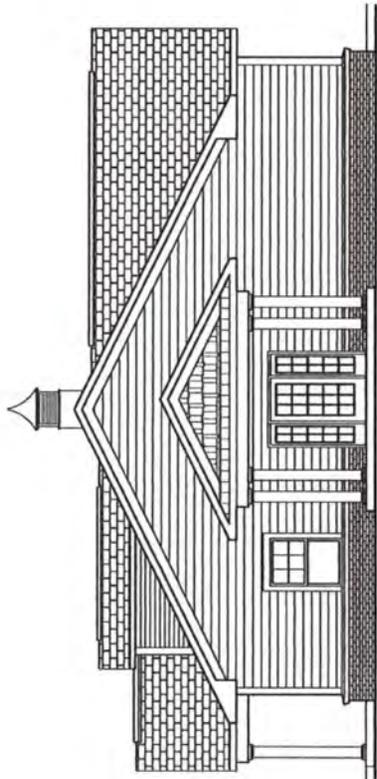
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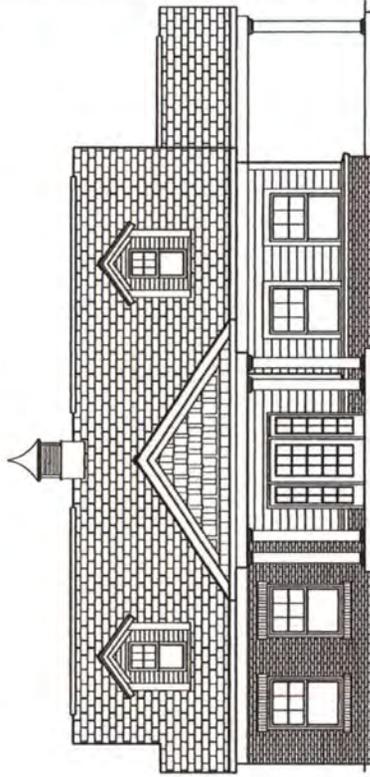
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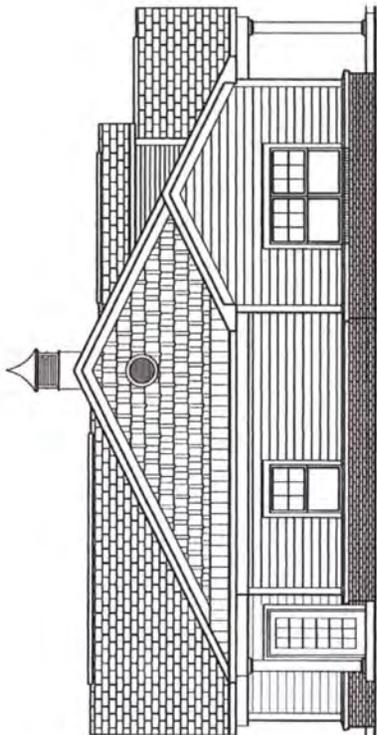
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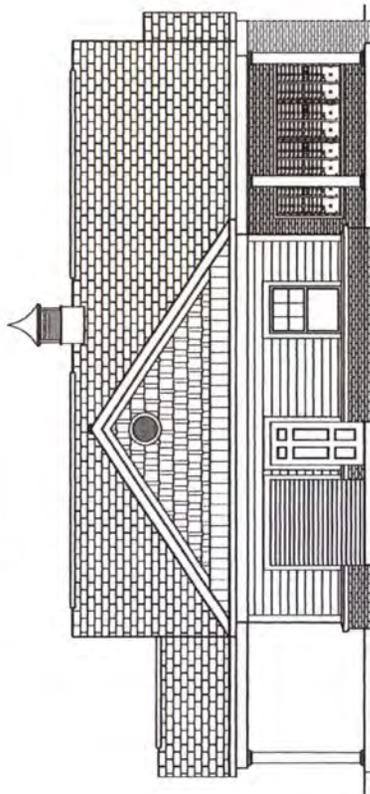
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PREPARED BY: LEGAL DEPARTMENT, CITY OF HICKORY
P.O. BOX 398, HICKORY, NC 28603

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE NO. 431

VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION ORDINANCE (CONTIGUOUS)

Cecil and Rachel Munday

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA, PURSUANT TO GENERAL STATUTES 160A-31, AS AMENDED (CONTIGUOUS)

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hickory has been petitioned under G.S. 160A-31, as amended, to annex the area herein described; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has by resolution directed the City Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of said petition; and

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has certified the sufficiency of said petition and a public hearing on the question of this annexation was held in the Council Chambers of the Julian G. Whitener Municipal Building at 7:00 p.m. on the 20th day of October, 2015, after due notice by publication on October 9, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does find as a fact that said petition meets the requirements of G.S. 160A-31, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HICKORY, NORTH CAROLINA:

Section 1. By virtue of the authority granted by G.S. 160A-31, as amended, the following-described territory is hereby annexed and made a part of the City of Hickory

as of October 31, 2015

CONTIGUOUS ANNEXATION
DESCRIPTION FOR
CECIL AND RACHEL MUNDAY

Being located in Hickory Township, Catawba County, North Carolina and more particularly described as:

BEGINNING at an existing railroad spike in the pavement of Short Road (S.R. 1166), said spike being the northeast corner of Tammy T. Bolick (deed book 2925, page 53); thence with Short Road, North 49 degrees- 57 minutes- 10 seconds East, 372.87 feet to an existing railroad spike near the center of the road; thence continuing with Short Road, North 37 degrees- 02 minutes- 00 seconds East, 405.00 feet to an existing railroad spike, said pipe being the northwest corner of Catawba County (deed book 3255, page 606); thence with the line of Catawba County, South 51 degrees- 40 minutes- 50 seconds East, 38.40 feet to an existing 3/4" pipe on the southern right of way of Short Road; thence continuing with the line of Catawba County and Kathy H. Burris (deed book 2938, page 110), South 51 degrees- 40 minutes- 50 seconds East, 491.71 feet to an existing iron pin; thence continuing with the line of Burris the following three (3) calls: (1) South 20 degrees- 47 minutes- 05 seconds West, 390.44 feet to an existing iron pin; (2) North 84 degrees- 00 minutes- 00 seconds West, 75.00 feet to an existing iron pin; (3) South 22 degrees- 37 minutes- 30 seconds West, 274.06 feet to an existing iron pin in the line of Frank L. Whitener (deed book 1731, page 893 and deed book 988, page 302), North 84 degrees- 00 minutes- 00 seconds West, 491.11 feet to an existing iron pin in the center of a gravel drive, the southeast corner of Frank L. Whitener (deed book 1013, page 273); thence with the line of Frank L. Whitener (deed book 1013, page 273) and Tammy T. Bolick (deed book 2925, page 53), North 23 degrees- 05 minutes- 35 seconds West, 352.55 feet to the place and point of BEGINNING, containing 11.936 Acres by coordinate computation and said description being the same as surveyed by Miller Surveying, Inc. (Drawing H3B-4877) dated August 25, 2015.

Section 2. Upon and after the 31st day of October, 2015, the above-described territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances, and regulations in force in the City of Hickory. Said territory shall be subject to municipal taxes according to G.S. 160A-31 (e), as amended.

Section 3. That the newly annexed territory described hereinabove shall become a part of Ward No. 3 of the City of Hickory.

Section 4. The Mayor of the City of Hickory shall cause to be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Catawba County, and in the office of the Secretary of State at Raleigh, North Carolina, an accurate map of the annexed territory, described in Section

1 hereof, together with a duly certified copy of this Ordinance.

Section 5. That all ordinances and clauses of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the 31st day of October, 2015.

ADOPTED THIS 20th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2015.

Rudy Wright
Mayor

Mick Berry, City Manager

Approved As To Form:

Deputy City Attorney for the City of Hickory

CERTIFICATION OF ANNEXATION ORDINANCE

NORTH CAROLINA
CATAWBA COUNTY
CITY OF HICKORY

I, Debbie D. Miller, City Clerk of the City of Hickory, North Carolina, do hereby certify that the Annexation Ordinance of Cecil and Rachel Munday was adopted at a regular meeting of the Hickory City Council held on October 20, 2015, and that said Ordinance is in full force and effect on October 31, 2015.

City Clerk

NORTH CAROLINA
CATAWBA COUNTY

I, _____, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that Debbie D. Miller, City Clerk of the City of Hickory, personally appeared before me this date and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing certificate for the purposes therein expressed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS

To: City Manager's Office

From: Dave Leonetti, Community Development Manager

Contact Person: Dave Leonetti, Community Development Manager

Date: October 7, 2015

Re: Public Hearing to consider sale of City-owned properties on F Avenue SE

REQUEST

Conduct a public hearing to consider the sale of five City-owned properties on F Avenue SE.

BACKGROUND

The City owns five properties located on F Avenue SE that were originally purchased with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds as part of the East Hickory Redevelopment Plan. The properties are located at 865, 870, 872, 880, and 889 F Avenue SE. These properties were originally purchased for future development and to stabilize the area through the reduction of blight. Staff has been approached by AMMCO, LLC with an offer to purchase these properties. The company plans on developing these properties for residential use.

ANALYSIS

Since the properties were purchased with CDBG funds, a public hearing is required prior to the property sale. According to US Department of Housing and Urban Development Regulations, the properties must be sold for market value. A recent appraisal listed the market value of these properties at \$17,000. The offer from AMMCO, LLC is for market value. The properties must also be sold subject to the upset bid process.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that City Council adopt a resolution accepting the offer from AMMCO, LLC for the sale of five City-owned properties on F Avenue SE and authorize staff to advertise for upset bids.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

Reviewed by:

Brian Frazier

Initiating Department Head

10/7/15

Date

Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

Date

Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-14-15

Date

Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

10-15-15

Date

Finance Officer, Melissa Miller

10-13-15

Date

Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

10-13-15

Date

Date

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).

City Manager, M. Berry

Date



TATE BLVD SE



1in=100ft



Parcel: 371205094086, 870 F AV SE HICKORY, 28602

Owners: HICKORY CITY OF,

Owner Address: PO BOX 398

Values - Building(s): \$0, Land: \$7,000, Total: \$7,000

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-__

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE CERTAIN PROPERTY

WHEREAS, City Council of the City of Hickory desires to dispose of certain surplus properties of the City of Hickory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THAT:

1. The following described properties are hereby declared to be surplus to the needs of the City of Hickory:

865 F Avenue SE, Hickory, PIN #3712-05-09-4223, Lot 6, J.D. Riddle Subdivision, Plat Book 1 at Page 8, recorded in Deed Book 2387 at Page 1823, Catawba County Registry, containing .270 acre more or less;

870 F Avenue SE, Hickory, PIN #3712-05-09-4086, Lot 6, Plat Book 6 at Page 37, recorded in Deed Book 2456 at Page 439, Catawba County Registry, containing .160 acre more or less.

872 F Avenue SE, Hickory, PIN #3712-05-09-5056, recorded in Deed Book 2633 at Page 1491, Catawba County Registry, containing .150 acre more or less.

880 F Avenue SE, Hickory, PIN #3712-05-09-6016, recorded in Deed Book 2622 at Page 1872, Catawba County Registry, containing .160 acre more or less.

889 F Avenue SE, Hickory, PIN #3712-05-09-6253, Lot 10, J.D. Riddle Subdivision, Plat Book 1 at Page 8, recorded in Deed Book 2622 at Page 1874, Catawba County Registry, containing .310 acre more or less.

2. City Council has received an offer to purchase for the sum of \$4,000 for the property located at 865 F Avenue SE, Hickory, North Carolina; \$3,000 for the property located at 870 F Avenue SE, Hickory, North Carolina; \$3,000 for the property located at 872 F Avenue SE, Hickory, North Carolina; \$3,000 for the property located at 880 F Avenue SE, Hickory, North Carolina; and \$4,000 for the property located at 889 F Avenue SE, Hickory, North Carolina. The person making the offer must deposit with the City Clerk a sum equal to five percent (5%) of his or her offer in the form of cash or cashier's check.

3. City Council proposes to accept the offer unless a qualifying upset bid shall be made.

4. The City Clerk shall cause a notice of such offer to be published in accordance with G.S. 160A-269.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-__

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE CERTAIN PROPERTY

5. Persons wishing to upset the offer must submit a sealed bid to the City Clerk within ten (10) days after publication of the notice. The person making the bid must deposit with the City Clerk a sum equal to five percent (5%) of his or her offer in the form of cash or cashier's check. At the conclusion of the ten (10) days, the City Clerk shall open the bids, and the highest such bid will become the new offer. If there is more than one bid in the highest amount, the first such bid received will become the new offer.

6. If a qualifying upset bid is received, the City Clerk is directed to re-advertise the offer at the increased upset bid amount, and to continue with this process until a ten (10) day period has passed without receipt of a qualifying upset bid.

Adopted this the _____ day of _____, 2015

THE CITY OF HICKORY a
North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

By: _____
Rudy Wright, Mayor

Debbie D. Miller, City Clerk

Approved as to form this 16th day of October, 2015

Armita M. Duke
Deputy City Attorney for the City of Hickory

OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT - VACANT LOT/LAND
 [Consult "Guidelines" (form 12G) for guidance in completing this form]

NOTE: This contract is intended for unimproved real property that Buyer will purchase only for personal use and does not have immediate plans to subdivide. It should not be used to sell property that is being subdivided unless the property has been platted, properly approved and recorded with the register of deeds as of the date of the contract. If Seller is Buyer's builder and the sale involves the construction of a new single family dwelling prior to closing, use the standard Offer to Purchase and Contract—New Construction (Form 800-T) or, if the construction is completed, use the Offer to Purchase and Contract (Form 2-T) with the New Construction Addendum (Form 2A3-T).

For valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Buyer offers to purchase and Seller upon acceptance agrees to sell and convey the Property on the terms and conditions of this Offer To Purchase and Contract and any addendum or modification made in accordance with its terms (together the "Contract").

1. **TERMS AND DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the respective meaning given them as set forth adjacent to each term.

(a) **"Seller":** City of Hickory, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(b) **"Buyer":** AMMCO, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company

(c) **"Property":** The Property shall include all that real estate described below together with all appurtenances thereto including the improvements located thereon. **NOTE:** If the Property will include a manufactured (mobile) home(s), Buyer and Seller should consider including the Manufactured (Mobile) Home provision in the Additional Provisions Addendum (Standard Form 2A11-T) with this offer.

Street Address: 865 F Avenue SE
 City: Hickory Zip: 28602
 County: Catawba, North Carolina
 (NOTE: Governmental authority over taxes, zoning, school districts, utilities and mail delivery may differ from address shown.)

Legal Description: (Complete ALL applicable)
 Plat Reference: Lot/Unit 6, Block/Section N/A, Subdivision/Condominium J D Riddle Subdivision
 as shown on Plat Book/Slide 1 at Page(s) 8
 The PIN/PID or other identification number of the Property is: 3712-05-09-4223
 Other description: N/A
 Some or all of the Property may be described in Deed Book 2387 at Page 1823

(d) "Purchase Price": \$ <u>4,000</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>200</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>3,800</u>	paid in U.S. Dollars upon the following terms: BY DUE DILIGENCE FEE made payable and delivered to Seller by the Effective Date BY INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by <input type="checkbox"/> cash <input type="checkbox"/> personal check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> official bank check <input type="checkbox"/> wire transfer, EITHER <input type="checkbox"/> with this offer OR <input type="checkbox"/> within five (5) days of the Effective Date of this Contract. BY (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash or immediately available funds such as official bank check or wire transfer no later than _____, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to said date. BY ASSUMPTION of the unpaid principal balance and all obligations of Seller on the existing loan(s) secured by a deed of trust on the Property in accordance with the attached Loan Assumption Addendum (Standard Form 2A6-T). BY SELLER FINANCING in accordance with the attached Seller Financing Addendum (Standard Form 2A5-T). BALANCE of the Purchase Price in cash at Settlement (some or all of which may be paid with the proceeds of a new loan)
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Should Buyer fail to deliver either the Due Diligence Fee or any Initial Earnest Money Deposit by their due dates, or should any check or other funds paid by Buyer be dishonored, for any reason, by the institution upon which the payment is drawn, Buyer shall have one (1) banking day after written notice to deliver cash or immediately available funds to the payee. In the event Buyer does not timely deliver cash or immediately available funds, Seller shall have the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to Buyer.

(e) **“Earnest Money Deposit”**: The Initial Earnest Money Deposit, the Additional Earnest Money Deposit and any other earnest monies paid in connection with this transaction, hereinafter collectively referred to as “Earnest Money Deposit”, shall be deposited and held in escrow by Escrow Agent until Closing, at which time it will be credited to Buyer, or until this Contract is otherwise terminated. In the event: (1) this offer is not accepted; or (2) a condition of any resulting contract is not satisfied, then the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event of breach of this Contract by Seller, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer upon Buyer’s request, but such return shall not affect any other remedies available to Buyer for such breach. In the event of breach of this Contract by Buyer, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be paid to Seller as liquidated damages and as Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for such breach, but without limiting Seller’s rights under Paragraphs 2(c) and 2(d) for damage to the Property or Seller’s right to retain the Due Diligence Fee. It is acknowledged by the parties that payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller in the event of a breach of this Contract by Buyer is compensatory and not punitive, such amount being a reasonable estimation of the actual loss that Seller would incur as a result of such breach. The payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller shall not constitute a penalty or forfeiture but actual compensation for Seller’s anticipated loss, both parties acknowledging the difficulty determining Seller’s actual damages for such breach. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer or Seller against the other to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

(f) **“Escrow Agent”** (insert name): John W. Crone, III

NOTE: In the event of a dispute between Seller and Buyer over the disposition of the Earnest Money Deposit held in escrow, a licensed real estate broker (“Broker”) is required by state law (and Escrow Agent, if not a Broker, hereby agrees) to retain the Earnest Money Deposit in the Escrow Agent’s trust or escrow account until Escrow Agent has obtained a written release from the parties consenting to its disposition or until disbursement is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. Alternatively, if a Broker or an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina (“Attorney”) is holding the Earnest Money Deposit, the Broker or Attorney may deposit the disputed monies with the appropriate clerk of court in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §93A-12.

THE PARTIES AGREE THAT A REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE FIRM ACTING AS ESCROW AGENT MAY PLACE THE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT IN AN INTEREST BEARING TRUST ACCOUNT AND THAT ANY INTEREST EARNED THEREON SHALL BE DISBURSED TO THE ESCROW AGENT MONTHLY IN CONSIDERATION OF THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY MAINTAINING SUCH ACCOUNT AND RECORDS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

(g) **“Effective Date”**: The date that: (1) the last one of Buyer and Seller has signed or initialed this offer or the final counteroffer, if any, and (2) such signing or initialing is communicated to the party making the offer or counteroffer, as the case may be. The parties acknowledge and agree that the initials lines at the bottom of each page of this Contract are merely evidence of their having reviewed the terms of each page, and that the complete execution of such initials lines shall not be a condition of the effectiveness of this Agreement.

(h) **“Due Diligence”**: Buyer’s opportunity during the Due Diligence Period to investigate the Property and the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including but not necessarily limited to the matters described in Paragraph 2 below, to decide whether Buyer, in Buyer’s sole discretion, will proceed with or terminate the transaction.

(i) **“Due Diligence Fee”**: A negotiated amount, if any, paid by Buyer to Seller with this Contract for Buyer’s right to conduct Due Diligence during the Due Diligence Period. It shall be the property of Seller upon the Effective Date and shall be a credit to Buyer at Closing. The Due Diligence Fee shall be non-refundable except in the event of a material breach of this Contract by Seller, or if this Contract is terminated under Paragraph 6(m) or Paragraph 9, or as otherwise provided in any addendum hereto. Buyer and Seller each expressly waive any right that they may have to deny the right to conduct Due Diligence or to assert any defense as to the enforceability of this Contract based on the absence or alleged insufficiency of any Due Diligence Fee, it being the intent of the

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parties to create a legally binding contract for the purchase and sale of the Property without regard to the existence or amount of any Due Diligence Fee.

(j) **"Due Diligence Period"**: The period beginning on the Effective Date and extending through 5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2015
TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to said date.

(k) **"Settlement"**: The proper execution and delivery to the closing attorney of all documents necessary to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including the deed, settlement statement, deed of trust and other loan or conveyance documents, and the closing attorney's receipt of all funds necessary to complete such transaction.

(l) **"Settlement Date"**: The parties agree that Settlement will take place on December 15, 2015
(the "Settlement Date"), unless otherwise agreed in writing, at a time and place designated by Buyer.

(m) **"Closing"**: The completion of the legal process which results in the transfer of title to the Property from Seller to Buyer, which includes the following steps: (1) the Settlement (defined above); (2) the completion of a satisfactory title update to the Property following the Settlement; (3) the closing attorney's receipt of authorization to disburse all necessary funds; and (4) recordation in the appropriate county registry of the deed(s) and deed(s) of trust, if any, which shall take place as soon as reasonably possible for the closing attorney after Settlement. Upon Closing, the proceeds of sale shall be disbursed by the closing attorney in accordance with the settlement statement and the provisions of Chapter 45A of the North Carolina General Statutes. If the title update should reveal unexpected liens, encumbrances or other title defects, or if the closing attorney is not authorized to disburse all necessary funds, then the Closing shall be suspended and the Settlement deemed delayed under Paragraph 10 (Delay in Settlement/Closing).

WARNING: The North Carolina State Bar has determined that the performance of most acts and services required for a closing constitutes the practice of law and must be performed only by an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina. State law prohibits unlicensed individuals or firms from rendering legal services or advice. Although non-attorney settlement agents may perform limited services in connection with a closing, they may not perform all the acts and services required to complete a closing. A closing involves significant legal issues that should be handled by an attorney. Accordingly it is the position of the North Carolina Bar Association and the North Carolina Association of REALTORS® that all buyers should hire an attorney licensed in North Carolina to perform a closing.

(n) **"Special Assessments"**: A charge against the Property by a governmental authority in addition to ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes, or by an owners' association in addition to any regular assessment (dues), either of which may be a lien against the Property. A Special Assessment may be either proposed or confirmed.

"Proposed Special Assessment": A Special Assessment that is under formal consideration but which has not been approved prior to Settlement.

"Confirmed Special Assessment": A Special Assessment that has been approved prior to Settlement whether or not it is fully payable at time of Settlement.

2. BUYER'S DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS:

(a) **Loan:** During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer, at Buyer's expense, shall be entitled to pursue qualification for and approval of the Loan if any.

(NOTE: Buyer is advised to consult with Buyer's lender prior to signing this offer to assure that the Due Diligence Period allows sufficient time for the appraisal to be completed and for Buyer's lender to provide Buyer sufficient information to decide whether to proceed with or terminate the transaction since the Loan is not a condition of the Contract.)

(b) **Property Investigation:** During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer or Buyer's agents or representatives, at Buyer's expense, shall be entitled to conduct all desired tests, surveys, appraisals, investigations, examinations and inspections of the Property as Buyer deems appropriate, including but NOT limited to the following:

- (i) **Soil And Environmental:** Reports to determine whether the soil is suitable for Buyer's intended use and whether there is any environmental contamination, law, rule or regulation that may prohibit, restrict or limit Buyer's intended use.
- (ii) **Septic/Sewer System:** Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing sewage system, (2) the costs and expenses to install a sewage system approved by an existing Improvement Permit, (3) the availability and

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expense to connect to a public or community sewer system, and/or (4) whether an Improvement Permit or written evaluation may be obtained from the County Health Department for a suitable ground absorption sewage system.

- (iii) **Water:** Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing private drinking water well, (2) the costs and expenses to install a private drinking water well approved by an existing Construction Permit, (3) the availability, costs and expenses to connect to a public or community water system, or a shared private well, and/or (4) whether a Construction Permit may be obtained from the County Health Department for a private drinking water well.
- (iv) **Review of Documents:** Review of the Declaration of Restrictive Covenants, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, Rules and Regulations, and other governing documents of any applicable owners' association and/or subdivision. If the Property is subject to regulation by an owners' association, it is recommended that Buyer review the completed Owners' Association And Addendum (Standard Form 2A12-T) provided by Seller prior to signing this offer. It is also recommended that the Buyer determine if the owners' association charges fees for confirming owners' association information and restrictive covenant compliance.
- (v) **Appraisals:** An appraisal of the Property
- (vi) **Survey:** A survey to determine whether the property is suitable for Buyer's intended use and the location of easements, setbacks, property boundaries and other issues which may or may not constitute title defects.
- (vii) **Zoning and Governmental Regulation:** Investigation of current or proposed zoning or other governmental regulation that may affect Buyer's intended use of the Property, adjacent land uses, planned or proposed road construction, and school attendance zones.
- (viii) **Flood Hazard:** Investigation of potential flood hazards on the Property, and/or any requirement to purchase flood insurance in order to obtain the Loan.
- (ix) **Utilities and Access:** Availability, quality, and obligations for maintenance of utilities including electric, gas, communication services, stormwater management, and means of access to the Property and amenities.
- (x) **Streets/Roads:** Investigation of the status of the street/road upon which the Property fronts as well as any other street/road used to access the Property, including: (1) whether any street(s)/road(s) are public or private, (2) whether any street(s)/road(s) designated as public are accepted for maintenance by the State of NC or any municipality, or (3) if private or not accepted for public maintenance, the consequences and responsibility for maintenance and the existence, terms and funding of any maintenance agreements.

NOTE: NC General Statutes Section 136-102.6(f) (the "Statute") requires that under circumstances described in the Statute, a buyer must be provided a subdivision streets disclosure statement prior to entering into an agreement to buy subdivided property described in the Statute. If Buyer or Seller are uncertain whether the sale of the Property described in this Contract is subject to the Statute, consult a NC real estate attorney.

(c) **Buyer's Obligation to Repair Damage:** Buyer shall, at Buyer's expense, promptly repair any damage to the Property resulting from any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors, but Buyer shall not be responsible for any damage caused by accepted practices applicable to any N.C. licensed professional performing reasonable appraisals, tests, surveys, examinations and inspections of the Property. This repair obligation shall survive any termination of this Contract.

(d) **Indemnity:** Buyer will indemnify and hold Seller harmless from all loss, damage, claims, suits or costs, which shall arise out of any contract, agreement, or injury to any person or property as a result of any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors relating to the Property except for any loss, damage, claim, suit or cost arising out of pre-existing conditions of the Property and/or out of Seller's negligence or willful acts or omissions. This indemnity shall survive this Contract and any termination hereof.

(e) **Buyer's Right to Terminate:** Buyer shall have the right to terminate this Contract for any reason or no reason, by delivering to Seller written notice of termination (the "Termination Notice") during the Due Diligence Period (or any agreed-upon written extension of the Due Diligence Period), **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**. If Buyer timely delivers the Termination Notice, this Contract shall be terminated and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer.

WARNING: If Buyer is not satisfied with the results or progress of Buyer's Due Diligence, Buyer should terminate this Contract, *prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period*, unless Buyer can obtain a written extension from Seller. **SELLER IS NOT OBLIGATED TO GRANT AN EXTENSION.** Although Buyer may continue to investigate the Property following the expiration of the Due Diligence Period, Buyer's failure to deliver a Termination Notice to Seller prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period shall constitute a waiver by Buyer of any right to terminate this Contract based on any matter relating to Buyer's Due Diligence. Provided however, following the Due Diligence Period, Buyer may still exercise a right to terminate if Seller fails to

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materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under paragraph 6 of this Contract or for any other reason permitted under the terms of this Contract or North Carolina law.

(f) **CLOSING SHALL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPERTY IN ITS THEN EXISTING CONDITION UNLESS PROVISION IS OTHERWISE MADE IN WRITING.**

3. **BUYER REPRESENTATIONS:**

(a) **Loan:** Buyer does does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property. If Buyer is obtaining a new loan, Buyer intends to obtain a loan as follows: Conventional Other: _____ loan at a Fixed Rate Adjustable Rate in the principal amount of _____ for a term of _____ year(s), at an initial interest rate not to exceed _____ % per annum (the "Loan").

(NOTE: Buyer's obligations under this Contract are not conditioned upon obtaining or closing any loan. If Buyer represents that Buyer does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property, Seller is advised, prior to signing this offer, to obtain documentation from Buyer which demonstrates that Buyer will be able to close on the Property without the necessity of obtaining a new loan.)

(b) **Other Property:** Buyer does does not have to sell or lease other real property in order to qualify for a new loan or to complete purchase. (NOTE: If Buyer does have to sell, Buyer and Seller should consider including a Contingent Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A2-T) with this offer.)

(c) **Performance of Buyer's Financial Obligations:** To the best of Buyer's knowledge, there are no other circumstances or conditions existing as of the date of this offer that would prohibit Buyer from performing Buyer's financial obligations in accordance with this Contract, except as may be specifically set forth herein.

(d) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Buyer authorizes the Buyer's lender(s), the parties' real estate agent(s) and closing attorney: (1) to provide this Contract to any appraiser employed by Buyer or by Buyer's lender(s); and (2) to release and disclose any buyer's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

4. **BUYER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Buyer shall be responsible for the payment of any fees charged by an owners' association for information relating to Buyer's Due Diligence other than those fees to be paid by Seller under Paragraph 8(j).

(b) **Responsibility for Proposed Special Assessments:** Buyer shall take title subject to all Proposed Special Assessments.

(c) **Responsibility for Certain Costs:** Buyer shall be responsible for all costs with respect to any loan obtained by Buyer, appraisal, title search, title insurance, recording the deed and for preparation and recording of all instruments required to secure the balance of the Purchase Price unpaid at Settlement.

5. **SELLER REPRESENTATIONS:**

(a) **Ownership:** Seller represents that Seller:
 has owned the Property for at least one year.
 has owned the Property for less than one year.
 does not yet own the Property.

(b) **Assessments:** To the best of Seller's knowledge there are no Proposed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None

Seller warrants that there are no Confirmed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None

(c) **Owners' Association(s) and Dues:** To best of Seller's knowledge, ownership of the Property subjects does not subject Buyer to regulation by one or more owners' association(s) and governing documents, which impose various mandatory covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the Property and Buyer's enjoyment thereof, including but not limited to obligations to pay regular

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assessments (dues) and Special Assessments. If there is an owners' association, then an Owners' Association Disclosure and Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Standard Form 2A12-T) shall be completed by Seller, at Seller's expense, and must be attached as an addendum to this Contract

(d) **Sewage System Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that the sewage system described in the Improvement Permit attached hereto has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the system.

(e) **Private Drinking Water Well Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that a private drinking water well has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the well. (If well installed after July 1, 2008, attach Improvement Permit hereto.

6. **SELLER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Evidence of Title and Payoff Statement(s):** Seller agrees to use best efforts to deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, copies of all title information in possession of or available to Seller, including but not limited to: title insurance policies, attorney's opinions on title, surveys, covenants, deeds, notes and deeds of trust, leases, and easements relating to the Property. Seller shall provide to the closing attorney all information needed to obtain a written payoff statement from any lender(s) regarding any security interest in the Property as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, and Seller designates the closing attorney as Seller's agent with express authority to request and obtain on Seller's behalf payoff statements and/or short-pay statements from any such lender(s).

(b) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Seller authorizes: (1) any attorney presently or previously representing Seller to release and disclose any title insurance policy in such attorney's file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys; (2) the Property's title insurer or its agent to release and disclose all materials in the Property's title insurer's (or title insurer's agent's) file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys, and (3) the closing attorney to release and disclose any seller's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

(c) **Access to Property/Walk-Through Inspection:** Seller shall provide reasonable access to the Property (including working, existing utilities) through the earlier of Closing or possession by Buyer, including, but not limited to, allowing the Buyer an opportunity to conduct a final walk-through inspection of the Property. To the extent applicable, Seller shall also be responsible for timely clearing that portion of the Property required by the County to perform tests, inspections and/or evaluations to determine the suitability of the Property for a sewage system and/or private drinking water well.

(d) **Removal of Seller's Property:** Seller shall remove, by the date possession is made available to Buyer, all personal property which is not a part of the purchase and all garbage and debris from the Property.

(e) **Affidavit And Indemnification Agreement:** Seller shall furnish at Settlement an affidavit(s) and indemnification agreement(s) in form satisfactory to Buyer and Buyer's title insurer, if any, executed by Seller and any person or entity who has performed or furnished labor, services, materials or rental equipment to the Property within 120 days prior to the date of Settlement and who may be entitled to claim a lien against the Property as described in N.C.G.S. §44A-8 verifying that each such person or entity has been paid in full and agreeing to indemnify Buyer, Buyer's lender(s) and Buyer's title insurer against all loss from any cause or claim arising therefrom.

(f) **Designation of Lien Agent, Payment and Satisfaction of Liens:** If required by N.C.G.S. §44A-11.1, Seller shall have designated a Lien Agent, and Seller shall deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible a copy of the appointment of Lien Agent. All deeds of trust, deferred ad valorem taxes, liens and other charges against the Property, not assumed by Buyer, must be paid and satisfied by Seller prior to or at Settlement such that cancellation may be promptly obtained following Closing. Seller shall remain obligated to obtain any such cancellations following Closing.

(g) **Good Title, Legal Access:** Seller shall execute and deliver a GENERAL WARRANTY DEED for the Property in recordable form no later than Settlement, which shall convey fee simple marketable and insurable title, without exception for mechanics' liens, and free of any other liens, encumbrances or defects, including those which would be revealed by a current and accurate survey of the Property, except: ad valorem taxes for the current year (prorated through the date of Settlement); utility easements and unviolated covenants, conditions or restrictions that do not materially affect the value of the Property; and such other liens,

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encumbrances or defects as may be assumed or specifically approved by Buyer in writing. The Property must have legal access to a public right of way.

(NOTE: Buyer's failure to terminate this Contract prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period as a result of any encumbrance or defect that is or would have been revealed by a title examination of the Property or a current and accurate survey shall not relieve Seller of any obligation under this subparagraph)

(NOTE: If any sale of the Property may be a "short sale," consideration should be given to attaching a Short Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A14-T) as an addendum to this Contract.)

(h) **Deed, Taxes, and Fees:** Seller shall pay for preparation of a deed and all other documents necessary to perform Seller's obligations under this Contract, and for state and county excise taxes, and any deferred, discounted or rollback taxes, and local conveyance fees required by law. The deed is to be made to: AMMCO, LLC

(i) **Agreement to Pay Buyer Expenses:** Seller shall pay at Settlement \$ 0 toward any of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property, less any portion disapproved by Buyer's lender.

NOTE: Examples of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property include, but are not limited to, discount points, loan origination fees, appraisal fees, attorney's fees, inspection fees, and "pre-paids" (taxes, insurance, owners' association dues, etc).

(j) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Seller shall pay: (i) any fees required for confirming Seller's account payment information on owners' association dues or assessments for payment or proration; (ii) any transfer or similar fee imposed by the owners' association; and (iii) fees incurred by Seller in completing the Residential Property and Owners' Association Disclosure Statement.

(k) **Payment of Confirmed Special Assessments:** Seller shall pay all Confirmed Special Assessments, if any, provided that the amount thereof can be reasonably determined or estimated.

(l) **Late Listing Penalties:** All property tax late listing penalties, if any, shall be paid by Seller.

(m) **Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum** (Standard Form 2A12-T): If applicable, Seller shall provide the completed Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum to Buyer on or before the Effective Date.

(n) **Seller's Failure to Comply or Breach:** If Seller fails to materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under this Paragraph 6 or Seller materially breaches this Contract, and Buyer elects to terminate this Contract as a result of such failure or breach, then the Earnest Money Deposit and the Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer and Seller shall reimburse to Buyer the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence without affecting any other remedies. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer against the Seller to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the Due Diligence Fee and/or the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

7. **PRORATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS:** Unless otherwise provided, the following items shall be prorated through the date of Settlement and either adjusted between the parties or paid at Settlement:

- (a) **Taxes on Real Property:** Ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes on real property shall be prorated on a calendar year basis;
- (b) **Rents:** Rents, if any, for the Property;
- (c) **Dues:** Owners' association regular assessments (dues) and other like charges.

8. **CONDITION OF PROPERTY AT CLOSING:** Buyer's obligation to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract shall be contingent upon the Property being in substantially the same or better condition at Closing as on the date of this offer, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

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9. **RISK OF LOSS:** The risk of loss or damage by fire or other casualty prior to Closing shall be upon Seller. If the improvements on the Property are destroyed or materially damaged prior to Closing, Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice delivered to Seller or Seller's agent and the Earnest Money Deposit and any Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event Buyer does NOT elect to terminate this Contract, Buyer shall be entitled to receive, in addition to the Property, any of Seller's insurance proceeds payable on account of the damage or destruction applicable to the Property being purchased. Seller is advised not to cancel existing insurance on the Property until after confirming recordation of the deed.

10. **DELAY IN SETTLEMENT/CLOSING:** Absent agreement to the contrary in this Contract or any subsequent modification thereto, if a party is unable to complete Settlement by the Settlement Date but intends to complete the transaction and is acting in good faith and with reasonable diligence to proceed to Settlement ("Delaying Party"), and if the other party is ready, willing and able to complete Settlement on the Settlement Date ("Non-Delaying Party") then the Delaying Party shall give as much notice as possible to the Non-Delaying Party and closing attorney and shall be entitled to a delay in Settlement. If the parties fail to complete Settlement and Closing within fourteen (14) days of the Settlement Date (including any amended Settlement Date agreed to in writing by the parties) or to otherwise extend the Settlement Date by written agreement, then the Delaying Party shall be in breach and the Non-Delaying Party may terminate this Contract and shall be entitled to enforce any remedies available to such party under this Contract for the breach.

11. **POSSESSION:** Unless otherwise provided herein, possession shall be delivered at Closing as defined in Paragraph 1(m). No alterations, excavations, tree or vegetation removal or other such activities may be done before possession is delivered

12. **OTHER PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS:** CHECK ALL STANDARD ADDENDA THAT MAY BE A PART OF THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO. ITEMIZE ALL OTHER ADDENDA TO THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO.

(NOTE: UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, REAL ESTATE BROKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DRAFT CONDITIONS OR CONTINGENCIES TO THIS CONTRACT.)

- Additional Provisions Addendum (Form 2A11-T)
- Additional Signatures Addendum (Form 3-T)
- Back-Up Contract Addendum (Form 2A1-T)
- Contingent Sale Addendum (Form 2A2-T)
- Loan Assumption Addendum (Form 2A6-T)
- OTHER: _____

- Owners' Association Disclosure And Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Form 2A12-T)
- Seller Financing Addendum (Form 2A5-T)
- Short Sale Addendum (Form 2A14-T)

13. **ASSIGNMENTS:** This Contract may not be assigned without the written consent of all parties except in connection with a tax-deferred exchange, but if assigned by agreement, then this Contract shall be binding on the assignee and assignee's heirs and successors.

14. **TAX-DEFERRED EXCHANGE:** In the event Buyer or Seller desires to effect a tax-deferred exchange in connection with the conveyance of the Property, Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in effecting such exchange; provided, however, that the exchanging party shall be responsible for all additional costs associated with such exchange, and provided further, that a non-exchanging party shall not assume any additional liability with respect to such tax-deferred exchange. Buyer and Seller shall execute such additional documents, including assignment of this Contract in connection therewith, at no cost to the non-exchanging party, as shall be required to give effect to this provision.

15. **PARTIES:** This Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Buyer and Seller and their respective heirs, successors and assigns. As used herein, words in the singular include the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter genders, as appropriate.

16. **SURVIVAL:** If any provision herein contained which by its nature and effect is required to be observed, kept or performed after the Closing, it shall survive the Closing and remain binding upon and for the benefit of the parties hereto until fully observed, kept or performed.

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17. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no representations, inducements or other provisions other than those expressed herein. All changes, additions or deletions hereto must be in writing and signed by all parties. Nothing contained herein shall alter any agreement between a REALTOR® or broker and Seller or Buyer as contained in any listing agreement, buyer agency agreement, or any other agency agreement between them.

18. **CONDUCT OF TRANSACTION:** The parties agree that any action between them relating to the transaction contemplated by this Contract may be conducted by electronic means, including the signing of this Contract by one or more of them and any notice or communication given in connection with this Contract. Any written notice or communication may be transmitted to any mailing address, e-mail address or fax number set forth in the "Notice Information" section below. Any notice or communication to be given to a party herein, any any fee, deposit of other payment to be delivered to a party herein, may be given to the party or to such party's agent. Seller and Buyer agree that the "Notice Information" and "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Monies" sections below shall not constitute a material part of this Contract, and that the addition or modification of any information therein shall not constitute a rejection of an offer or the creation of a counteroffer.

19. **EXECUTION:** This Contract may be signed in multiple originals or counterparts, all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

20. **COMPUTATION OF DAYS/TIME OF DAY:** Unless otherwise provided, for purposes of this Contract, the term "days" shall mean consecutive calendar days, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, whether federal, state, local or religious. For the purposes of calculating days, the count of "days" shall begin on the day following the day upon which any act or notice as provided in this Contract was required to be performed or made. Any reference to a date or time of day shall refer to the date and/or time of day in the State of North Carolina.

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This offer shall become a binding contract on the Effective Date. Unless specifically provided otherwise, Buyer's failure to timely deliver any fee, deposit or other payment provided for herein shall not prevent this offer from becoming a binding contract, provided that any such failure shall give Seller certain rights to terminate the contract as described herein or as otherwise permitted by law.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Entity Buyer:
AMMCO, LLC
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

Entity Seller:
City of Hickory
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

By: Wayne Kirby

By: _____

Name: Wayne Kirby

Name: Rudy Wright

Title: Member Manager

Title: Mayor

Date: 9/28/15

Date: _____

Buyer Initials WK

Seller Initials _____

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Buyer Initials sk Seller Initials _____

NOTICE INFORMATION

NOTE: INSERT THE ADDRESS AND/OR ELECTRONIC DELIVERY ADDRESS EACH PARTY AND AGENT APPROVES FOR THE RECEIPT OF ANY NOTICE CONTEMPLATED BY THIS CONTRACT. INSERT "N/A" FOR ANY WHICH ARE NOT APPROVED.

BUYER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 2332, Hickory, NC 28603

Buyer Fax#: N/A

Buyer E-mail: wayne@kmtire.net

SELLER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 398, Hickory, NC 28603

Seller Fax#: (828) 323-7476

Seller E-mail: dleonetti@hickorync.gov

SELLING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A
Acting as [] Buyer's Agent [] Seller's (sub)Agent [] Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Selling Agent:
[] Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Selling Agent Phone#:

Selling Agent Fax#:

Selling Agent E-mail:

LISTING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A
Acting as [] Seller's Agent [] Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Listing Agent:
[] Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Listing Agent Phone#:

Listing Agent Fax#:

Listing Agent E-mail:

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Buyer Initials [Signature] Seller Initials

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF MONIES

Seller: _____ ("Seller")
Buyer: _____ ("Buyer")
Property Address: _____ ("Property")

LISTING AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Listing Agent hereby acknowledges.

Date _____ Firm: _____
By: _____ (Signature)
(Print name)

SELLER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Seller hereby acknowledges.

Date: _____ Seller: _____ (Signature)
Date: _____ Seller: _____ (Signature)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an Initial Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the Initial Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____ Firm: _____
By: _____ (Signature)
(Print name)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____ Firm: _____
By: _____ (Signature)
(Print name)

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OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT - VACANT LOT/LAND
 [Consult "Guidelines" (form 12G) for guidance in completing this form]

NOTE: This contract is intended for unimproved real property that Buyer will purchase only for personal use and does not have immediate plans to subdivide. It should not be used to sell property that is being subdivided unless the property has been platted, properly approved and recorded with the register of deeds as of the date of the contract. If Seller is Buyer's builder and the sale involves the construction of a new single family dwelling prior to closing, use the standard Offer to Purchase and Contract—New Construction (Form 800-T) or, if the construction is completed, use the Offer to Purchase and Contract (Form 2-T) with the New Construction Addendum (Form 2A3-T).

For valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Buyer offers to purchase and Seller upon acceptance agrees to sell and convey the Property on the terms and conditions of this Offer To Purchase and Contract and any addendum or modification made in accordance with its terms (together the "Contract").

1. **TERMS AND DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the respective meaning given them as set forth adjacent to each term.

(a) **"Seller":** City of Hickory, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(b) **"Buyer":** AMMCO, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company

(c) **"Property":** The Property shall include all that real estate described below together with all appurtenances thereto including the improvements located thereon. **NOTE:** If the Property will include a manufactured (mobile) home(s), Buyer and Seller should consider including the Manufactured (Mobile) Home provision in the Additional Provisions Addendum (Standard Form 2A11-T) with this offer.

Street Address: 870 F Avenue SE
 City: Hickory Zip: 28602
 County: Catawba, North Carolina
 (**NOTE:** Governmental authority over taxes, zoning, school districts, utilities and mail delivery may differ from address shown.)

Legal Description: (Complete ALL applicable)
 Plat Reference: Lot/Unit 6, Block/Section N/A, Subdivision/Condominium Unnamed
 _____, as shown on Plat Book/Slide 6 at Page(s) 37
 The PIN/PID or other identification number of the Property is: 3712-05-09-4086
 Other description: N/A
 Some or all of the Property may be described in Deed Book 2456 at Page 0439

(d) **"Purchase Price":**

\$ 3,000
 \$ 0
 \$ 150
 \$ 0
 \$ 0
 \$ 0
 \$ 2,850

paid in U.S. Dollars upon the following terms:
 BY DUE DILIGENCE FEE made payable and delivered to Seller by the Effective Date
 BY INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash personal check official bank check wire transfer, EITHER with this offer OR within five (5) days of the Effective Date of this Contract.
 BY (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash or immediately available funds such as official bank check or wire transfer no later than _____, **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE** with regard to said date.
 BY ASSUMPTION of the unpaid principal balance and all obligations of Seller on the existing loan(s) secured by a deed of trust on the Property in accordance with the attached Loan Assumption Addendum (Standard Form 2A6-T).
 BY SELLER FINANCING in accordance with the attached Seller Financing Addendum (Standard Form 2A5-T).
 BALANCE of the Purchase Price in cash at Settlement (some or all of which may be paid with the proceeds of a new loan)

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Should Buyer fail to deliver either the Due Diligence Fee or any Initial Earnest Money Deposit by their due dates, or should any check or other funds paid by Buyer be dishonored, for any reason, by the institution upon which the payment is drawn, Buyer shall have one (1) banking day after written notice to deliver cash or immediately available funds to the payee. In the event Buyer does not timely deliver cash or immediately available funds, Seller shall have the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to Buyer.

(e) **“Earnest Money Deposit”**: The Initial Earnest Money Deposit, the Additional Earnest Money Deposit and any other earnest monies paid in connection with this transaction, hereinafter collectively referred to as “Earnest Money Deposit”, shall be deposited and held in escrow by Escrow Agent until Closing, at which time it will be credited to Buyer, or until this Contract is otherwise terminated. In the event: (1) this offer is not accepted; or (2) a condition of any resulting contract is not satisfied, then the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event of breach of this Contract by Seller, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer upon Buyer’s request, but such return shall not affect any other remedies available to Buyer for such breach. In the event of breach of this Contract by Buyer, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be paid to Seller as liquidated damages and as Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for such breach, but without limiting Seller’s rights under Paragraphs 2(c) and 2(d) for damage to the Property or Seller’s right to retain the Due Diligence Fee. It is acknowledged by the parties that payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller in the event of a breach of this Contract by Buyer is compensatory and not punitive, such amount being a reasonable estimation of the actual loss that Seller would incur as a result of such breach. The payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller shall not constitute a penalty or forfeiture but actual compensation for Seller’s anticipated loss, both parties acknowledging the difficulty determining Seller’s actual damages for such breach. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer or Seller against the other to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

(f) **“Escrow Agent”** (insert name): John W. Crone, III

NOTE: In the event of a dispute between Seller and Buyer over the disposition of the Earnest Money Deposit held in escrow, a licensed real estate broker (“Broker”) is required by state law (and Escrow Agent, if not a Broker, hereby agrees) to retain the Earnest Money Deposit in the Escrow Agent’s trust or escrow account until Escrow Agent has obtained a written release from the parties consenting to its disposition or until disbursement is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. Alternatively, if a Broker or an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina (“Attorney”) is holding the Earnest Money Deposit, the Broker or Attorney may deposit the disputed monies with the appropriate clerk of court in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §93A-12.

THE PARTIES AGREE THAT A REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE FIRM ACTING AS ESCROW AGENT MAY PLACE THE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT IN AN INTEREST BEARING TRUST ACCOUNT AND THAT ANY INTEREST EARNED THEREON SHALL BE DISBURSED TO THE ESCROW AGENT MONTHLY IN CONSIDERATION OF THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY MAINTAINING SUCH ACCOUNT AND RECORDS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

(g) **“Effective Date”**: The date that: (1) the last one of Buyer and Seller has signed or initialed this offer or the final counteroffer, if any, and (2) such signing or initialing is communicated to the party making the offer or counteroffer, as the case may be. The parties acknowledge and agree that the initials lines at the bottom of each page of this Contract are merely evidence of their having reviewed the terms of each page, and that the complete execution of such initials lines shall not be a condition of the effectiveness of this Agreement.

(h) **“Due Diligence”**: Buyer’s opportunity during the Due Diligence Period to investigate the Property and the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including but not necessarily limited to the matters described in Paragraph 2 below, to decide whether Buyer, in Buyer’s sole discretion, will proceed with or terminate the transaction.

(i) **“Due Diligence Fee”**: A negotiated amount, if any, paid by Buyer to Seller with this Contract for Buyer’s right to conduct Due Diligence during the Due Diligence Period. It shall be the property of Seller upon the Effective Date and shall be a credit to Buyer at Closing. The Due Diligence Fee shall be non-refundable except in the event of a material breach of this Contract by Seller, or if this Contract is terminated under Paragraph 6(m) or Paragraph 9, or as otherwise provided in any addendum hereto. Buyer and Seller each expressly waive any right that they may have to deny the right to conduct Due Diligence or to assert any defense as to the enforceability of this Contract based on the absence or alleged insufficiency of any Due Diligence Fee, it being the intent of the

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parties to create a legally binding contract for the purchase and sale of the Property without regard to the existence or amount of any Due Diligence Fee.

(j) **“Due Diligence Period”**: The period beginning on the Effective Date and extending through 5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2015 ***TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE*** with regard to said date.

(k) **“Settlement”**: The proper execution and delivery to the closing attorney of all documents necessary to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including the deed, settlement statement, deed of trust and other loan or conveyance documents, and the closing attorney’s receipt of all funds necessary to complete such transaction.

(l) **“Settlement Date”**: The parties agree that Settlement will take place on December 15, 2015 (the “Settlement Date”), unless otherwise agreed in writing, at a time and place designated by Buyer.

(m) **“Closing”**: The completion of the legal process which results in the transfer of title to the Property from Seller to Buyer, which includes the following steps: (1) the Settlement (defined above); (2) the completion of a satisfactory title update to the Property following the Settlement; (3) the closing attorney’s receipt of authorization to disburse all necessary funds; and (4) recordation in the appropriate county registry of the deed(s) and deed(s) of trust, if any, which shall take place as soon as reasonably possible for the closing attorney after Settlement. Upon Closing, the proceeds of sale shall be disbursed by the closing attorney in accordance with the settlement statement and the provisions of Chapter 45A of the North Carolina General Statutes. If the title update should reveal unexpected liens, encumbrances or other title defects, or if the closing attorney is not authorized to disburse all necessary funds, then the Closing shall be suspended and the Settlement deemed delayed under Paragraph 10 (Delay in Settlement/Closing).

WARNING: The North Carolina State Bar has determined that the performance of most acts and services required for a closing constitutes the practice of law and must be performed only by an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina. State law prohibits unlicensed individuals or firms from rendering legal services or advice. Although non-attorney settlement agents may perform limited services in connection with a closing, they may not perform all the acts and services required to complete a closing. A closing involves significant legal issues that should be handled by an attorney. Accordingly it is the position of the North Carolina Bar Association and the North Carolina Association of REALTORS® that all buyers should hire an attorney licensed in North Carolina to perform a closing.

(n) **“Special Assessments”**: A charge against the Property by a governmental authority in addition to ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes, or by an owners’ association in addition to any regular assessment (dues), either of which may be a lien against the Property. A Special Assessment may be either proposed or confirmed.

“Proposed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that is under formal consideration but which has not been approved prior to Settlement.

“Confirmed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that has been approved prior to Settlement whether or not it is fully payable at time of Settlement.

2. **BUYER’S DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS:**

(a) **Loan**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to pursue qualification for and approval of the Loan if any.

(NOTE: Buyer is advised to consult with Buyer’s lender prior to signing this offer to assure that the Due Diligence Period allows sufficient time for the appraisal to be completed and for Buyer’s lender to provide Buyer sufficient information to decide whether to proceed with or terminate the transaction since the Loan is not a condition of the Contract.)

(b) **Property Investigation**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer or Buyer’s agents or representatives, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to conduct all desired tests, surveys, appraisals, investigations, examinations and inspections of the Property as Buyer deems appropriate, including but NOT limited to the following:

- (i) **Soil And Environmental**: Reports to determine whether the soil is suitable for Buyer’s intended use and whether there is any environmental contamination, law, rule or regulation that may prohibit, restrict or limit Buyer’s intended use.
- (ii) **Septic/Sewer System**: Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing sewage system, (2) the costs and expenses to install a sewage system approved by an existing Improvement Permit, (3) the availability and

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- expense to connect to a public or community sewer system, and/or (4) whether an Improvement Permit or written evaluation may be obtained from the County Health Department for a suitable ground absorption sewage system.
- (iii) **Water:** Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing private drinking water well, (2) the costs and expenses to install a private drinking water well approved by an existing Construction Permit, (3) the availability, costs and expenses to connect to a public or community water system, or a shared private well, and/or (4) whether a Construction Permit may be obtained from the County Health Department for a private drinking water well.
 - (iv) **Review of Documents:** Review of the Declaration of Restrictive Covenants, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, Rules and Regulations, and other governing documents of any applicable owners' association and/or subdivision. If the Property is subject to regulation by an owners' association, it is recommended that Buyer review the completed Owners' Association And Addendum (Standard Form 2A12-T) provided by Seller prior to signing this offer. It is also recommended that the Buyer determine if the owners' association charges fees for confirming owners' association information and restrictive covenant compliance.
 - (v) **Appraisals:** An appraisal of the Property
 - (vi) **Survey:** A survey to determine whether the property is suitable for Buyer's intended use and the location of easements, setbacks, property boundaries and other issues which may or may not constitute title defects.
 - (vii) **Zoning and Governmental Regulation:** Investigation of current or proposed zoning or other governmental regulation that may affect Buyer's intended use of the Property, adjacent land uses, planned or proposed road construction, and school attendance zones.
 - (viii) **Flood Hazard:** Investigation of potential flood hazards on the Property, and/or any requirement to purchase flood insurance in order to obtain the Loan.
 - (ix) **Utilities and Access:** Availability, quality, and obligations for maintenance of utilities including electric, gas, communication services, stormwater management, and means of access to the Property and amenities.
 - (x) **Streets/Roads:** Investigation of the status of the street/road upon which the Property fronts as well as any other street/road used to access the Property, including: (1) whether any street(s)/road(s) are public or private, (2) whether any street(s)/road(s) designated as public are accepted for maintenance by the State of NC or any municipality, or (3) if private or not accepted for public maintenance, the consequences and responsibility for maintenance and the existence, terms and funding of any maintenance agreements.

NOTE: NC General Statutes Section 136-102.6(f) (the "Statute") requires that under circumstances described in the Statute, a buyer must be provided a subdivision streets disclosure statement prior to entering into an agreement to buy subdivided property described in the Statute. If Buyer or Seller are uncertain whether the sale of the Property described in this Contract is subject to the Statute, consult a NC real estate attorney.

(c) **Buyer's Obligation to Repair Damage:** Buyer shall, at Buyer's expense, promptly repair any damage to the Property resulting from any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors, but Buyer shall not be responsible for any damage caused by accepted practices applicable to any N.C. licensed professional performing reasonable appraisals, tests, surveys, examinations and inspections of the Property. This repair obligation shall survive any termination of this Contract.

(d) **Indemnity:** Buyer will indemnify and hold Seller harmless from all loss, damage, claims, suits or costs, which shall arise out of any contract, agreement, or injury to any person or property as a result of any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors relating to the Property except for any loss, damage, claim, suit or cost arising out of pre-existing conditions of the Property and/or out of Seller's negligence or willful acts or omissions. This indemnity shall survive this Contract and any termination hereof.

(e) **Buyer's Right to Terminate:** Buyer shall have the right to terminate this Contract for any reason or no reason, by delivering to Seller written notice of termination (the "Termination Notice") during the Due Diligence Period (or any agreed-upon written extension of the Due Diligence Period), **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**. If Buyer timely delivers the Termination Notice, this Contract shall be terminated and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer.

WARNING: If Buyer is not satisfied with the results or progress of Buyer's Due Diligence, Buyer should terminate this Contract, *prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period*, unless Buyer can obtain a written extension from Seller. SELLER IS NOT OBLIGATED TO GRANT AN EXTENSION. Although Buyer may continue to investigate the Property following the expiration of the Due Diligence Period, Buyer's failure to deliver a Termination Notice to Seller prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period shall constitute a waiver by Buyer of any right to terminate this Contract based on any matter relating to Buyer's Due Diligence. Provided however, following the Due Diligence Period, Buyer may still exercise a right to terminate if Seller fails to

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materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under paragraph 6 of this Contract or for any other reason permitted under the terms of this Contract or North Carolina law.

(f) CLOSING SHALL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPERTY IN ITS THEN EXISTING CONDITION UNLESS PROVISION IS OTHERWISE MADE IN WRITING.

3. BUYER REPRESENTATIONS:

(a) **Loan:** Buyer does does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property. If Buyer is obtaining a new loan, Buyer intends to obtain a loan as follows: Conventional Other: _____ loan at a Fixed Rate Adjustable Rate in the principal amount of _____ for a term of _____ year(s), at an initial interest rate not to exceed _____ % per annum (the "Loan").

(NOTE: Buyer's obligations under this Contract are not conditioned upon obtaining or closing any loan. If Buyer represents that Buyer does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property, Seller is advised, prior to signing this offer, to obtain documentation from Buyer which demonstrates that Buyer will be able to close on the Property without the necessity of obtaining a new loan.)

(b) **Other Property:** Buyer does does not have to sell or lease other real property in order to qualify for a new loan or to complete purchase. (NOTE: If Buyer does have to sell, Buyer and Seller should consider including a Contingent Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A2-T) with this offer.)

(c) **Performance of Buyer's Financial Obligations:** To the best of Buyer's knowledge, there are no other circumstances or conditions existing as of the date of this offer that would prohibit Buyer from performing Buyer's financial obligations in accordance with this Contract, except as may be specifically set forth herein.

(d) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Buyer authorizes the Buyer's lender(s), the parties' real estate agent(s) and closing attorney: (1) to provide this Contract to any appraiser employed by Buyer or by Buyer's lender(s); and (2) to release and disclose any buyer's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

4. BUYER OBLIGATIONS:

(a) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Buyer shall be responsible for the payment of any fees charged by an owners' association for information relating to Buyer's Due Diligence other than those fees to be paid by Seller under Paragraph 8(j).

(b) **Responsibility for Proposed Special Assessments:** Buyer shall take title subject to all Proposed Special Assessments.

(c) **Responsibility for Certain Costs:** Buyer shall be responsible for all costs with respect to any loan obtained by Buyer, appraisal, title search, title insurance, recording the deed and for preparation and recording of all instruments required to secure the balance of the Purchase Price unpaid at Settlement.

5. SELLER REPRESENTATIONS:

(a) **Ownership:** Seller represents that Seller:
 has owned the Property for at least one year.
 has owned the Property for less than one year.
 does not yet own the Property.

(b) **Assessments:** To the best of Seller's knowledge there are no Proposed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None.

Seller warrants that there are no Confirmed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None.

(c) **Owners' Association(s) and Dues:** To best of Seller's knowledge, ownership of the Property subjects does not subject Buyer to regulation by one or more owners' association(s) and governing documents, which impose various mandatory covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the Property and Buyer's enjoyment thereof, including but not limited to obligations to pay regular

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assessments (dues) and Special Assessments. If there is an owners' association, then an Owners' Association Disclosure and Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Standard Form 2A12-T) shall be completed by Seller, at Seller's expense, and must be attached as an addendum to this Contract

(d) **Sewage System Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that the sewage system described in the Improvement Permit attached hereto has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the system.

(e) **Private Drinking Water Well Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that a private drinking water well has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the well. (If well installed after July 1, 2008, attach Improvement Permit hereto.

6. **SELLER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Evidence of Title and Payoff Statement(s):** Seller agrees to use best efforts to deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, copies of all title information in possession of or available to Seller, including but not limited to: title insurance policies, attorney's opinions on title, surveys, covenants, deeds, notes and deeds of trust, leases, and easements relating to the Property. Seller shall provide to the closing attorney all information needed to obtain a written payoff statement from any lender(s) regarding any security interest in the Property as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, and Seller designates the closing attorney as Seller's agent with express authority to request and obtain on Seller's behalf payoff statements and/or short-pay statements from any such lender(s).

(b) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Seller authorizes: (1) any attorney presently or previously representing Seller to release and disclose any title insurance policy in such attorney's file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys; (2) the Property's title insurer or its agent to release and disclose all materials in the Property's title insurer's (or title insurer's agent's) file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys, and (3) the closing attorney to release and disclose any seller's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

(c) **Access to Property/Walk-Through Inspection:** Seller shall provide reasonable access to the Property (including working, existing utilities) through the earlier of Closing or possession by Buyer, including, but not limited to, allowing the Buyer an opportunity to conduct a final walk-through inspection of the Property. To the extent applicable, Seller shall also be responsible for timely clearing that portion of the Property required by the County to perform tests, inspections and/or evaluations to determine the suitability of the Property for a sewage system and/or private drinking water well.

(d) **Removal of Seller's Property:** Seller shall remove, by the date possession is made available to Buyer, all personal property which is not a part of the purchase and all garbage and debris from the Property.

(e) **Affidavit And Indemnification Agreement:** Seller shall furnish at Settlement an affidavit(s) and indemnification agreement(s) in form satisfactory to Buyer and Buyer's title insurer, if any, executed by Seller and any person or entity who has performed or furnished labor, services, materials or rental equipment to the Property within 120 days prior to the date of Settlement and who may be entitled to claim a lien against the Property as described in N.C.G.S. §44A-8 verifying that each such person or entity has been paid in full and agreeing to indemnify Buyer, Buyer's lender(s) and Buyer's title insurer against all loss from any cause or claim arising therefrom.

(f) **Designation of Lien Agent, Payment and Satisfaction of Liens:** If required by N.C.G.S. §44A-11.1, Seller shall have designated a Lien Agent, and Seller shall deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible a copy of the appointment of Lien Agent. All deeds of trust, deferred ad valorem taxes, liens and other charges against the Property, not assumed by Buyer, must be paid and satisfied by Seller prior to or at Settlement such that cancellation may be promptly obtained following Closing. Seller shall remain obligated to obtain any such cancellations following Closing.

(g) **Good Title, Legal Access:** Seller shall execute and deliver a GENERAL WARRANTY DEED for the Property in recordable form no later than Settlement, which shall convey fee simple marketable and insurable title, without exception for mechanics' liens, and free of any other liens, encumbrances or defects, including those which would be revealed by a current and accurate survey of the Property, except: ad valorem taxes for the current year (prorated through the date of Settlement); utility easements and unviolated covenants, conditions or restrictions that do not materially affect the value of the Property; and such other liens,

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encumbrances or defects as may be assumed or specifically approved by Buyer in writing. The Property must have legal access to a public right of way.

(NOTE: Buyer's failure to terminate this Contract prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period as a result of any encumbrance or defect that is or would have been revealed by a title examination of the Property or a current and accurate survey shall not relieve Seller of any obligation under this subparagraph)

(NOTE: If any sale of the Property may be a "short sale," consideration should be given to attaching a Short Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A14-T) as an addendum to this Contract.)

(h) **Deed, Taxes, and Fees:** Seller shall pay for preparation of a deed and all other documents necessary to perform Seller's obligations under this Contract, and for state and county excise taxes, and any deferred, discounted or rollback taxes, and local conveyance fees required by law. The deed is to be made to: AMMCO, LLC

(i) **Agreement to Pay Buyer Expenses:** Seller shall pay at Settlement \$ 0 toward any of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property, less any portion disapproved by Buyer's lender.

NOTE: Examples of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property include, but are not limited to, discount points, loan origination fees, appraisal fees, attorney's fees, inspection fees, and "pre-pays" (taxes, insurance, owners' association dues, etc).

(j) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Seller shall pay: (i) any fees required for confirming Seller's account payment information on owners' association dues or assessments for payment or proration; (ii) any transfer or similar fee imposed by the owners' association; and (iii) fees incurred by Seller in completing the Residential Property and Owners' Association Disclosure Statement.

(k) **Payment of Confirmed Special Assessments:** Seller shall pay all Confirmed Special Assessments, if any, provided that the amount thereof can be reasonably determined or estimated.

(l) **Late Listing Penalties:** All property tax late listing penalties, if any, shall be paid by Seller.

(m) **Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum** (Standard Form 2A12-T): If applicable, Seller shall provide the completed Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum to Buyer on or before the Effective Date.

(n) **Seller's Failure to Comply or Breach:** If Seller fails to materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under this Paragraph 6 or Seller materially breaches this Contract, and Buyer elects to terminate this Contract as a result of such failure or breach, then the Earnest Money Deposit and the Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer and Seller shall reimburse to Buyer the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence without affecting any other remedies. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer against the Seller to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the Due Diligence Fee and/or the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

7. **PRORATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS:** Unless otherwise provided, the following items shall be prorated through the date of Settlement and either adjusted between the parties or paid at Settlement:

- (a) **Taxes on Real Property:** Ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes on real property shall be prorated on a calendar year basis;
- (b) **Rents:** Rents, if any, for the Property;
- (c) **Dues:** Owners' association regular assessments (dues) and other like charges.

8. **CONDITION OF PROPERTY AT CLOSING:** Buyer's obligation to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract shall be contingent upon the Property being in substantially the same or better condition at Closing as on the date of this offer, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

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9. **RISK OF LOSS:** The risk of loss or damage by fire or other casualty prior to Closing shall be upon Seller. If the improvements on the Property are destroyed or materially damaged prior to Closing, Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice delivered to Seller or Seller's agent and the Earnest Money Deposit and any Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event Buyer does NOT elect to terminate this Contract, Buyer shall be entitled to receive, in addition to the Property, any of Seller's insurance proceeds payable on account of the damage or destruction applicable to the Property being purchased. Seller is advised not to cancel existing insurance on the Property until after confirming recordation of the deed.

10. **DELAY IN SETTLEMENT/CLOSING:** Absent agreement to the contrary in this Contract or any subsequent modification thereto, if a party is unable to complete Settlement by the Settlement Date but intends to complete the transaction and is acting in good faith and with reasonable diligence to proceed to Settlement ("Delaying Party"), and if the other party is ready, willing and able to complete Settlement on the Settlement Date ("Non-Delaying Party") then the Delaying Party shall give as much notice as possible to the Non-Delaying Party and closing attorney and shall be entitled to a delay in Settlement. If the parties fail to complete Settlement and Closing within fourteen (14) days of the Settlement Date (including any amended Settlement Date agreed to in writing by the parties) or to otherwise extend the Settlement Date by written agreement, then the Delaying Party shall be in breach and the Non-Delaying Party may terminate this Contract and shall be entitled to enforce any remedies available to such party under this Contract for the breach.

11. **POSSESSION:** Unless otherwise provided herein, possession shall be delivered at Closing as defined in Paragraph 1(m). No alterations, excavations, tree or vegetation removal or other such activities may be done before possession is delivered

12. **OTHER PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS:** CHECK ALL STANDARD ADDENDA THAT MAY BE A PART OF THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO. ITEMIZE ALL OTHER ADDENDA TO THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO.

(NOTE: UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, REAL ESTATE BROKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DRAFT CONDITIONS OR CONTINGENCIES TO THIS CONTRACT.)

- Additional Provisions Addendum (Form 2A11-T)
- Additional Signatures Addendum (Form 3-T)
- Back-Up Contract Addendum (Form 2A1-T)
- Contingent Sale Addendum (Form 2A2-T)
- Loan Assumption Addendum (Form 2A6-T)
- OTHER: _____

- Owners' Association Disclosure And Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Form 2A12-T)
- Seller Financing Addendum (Form 2A5-T)
- Short Sale Addendum (Form 2A14-T)

13. **ASSIGNMENTS:** This Contract may not be assigned without the written consent of all parties except in connection with a tax-deferred exchange, but if assigned by agreement, then this Contract shall be binding on the assignee and assignee's heirs and successors.

14. **TAX-DEFERRED EXCHANGE:** In the event Buyer or Seller desires to effect a tax-deferred exchange in connection with the conveyance of the Property, Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in effecting such exchange; provided, however, that the exchanging party shall be responsible for all additional costs associated with such exchange, and provided further, that a non-exchanging party shall not assume any additional liability with respect to such tax-deferred exchange. Buyer and Seller shall execute such additional documents, including assignment of this Contract in connection therewith, at no cost to the non-exchanging party, as shall be required to give effect to this provision.

15. **PARTIES:** This Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Buyer and Seller and their respective heirs, successors and assigns. As used herein, words in the singular include the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter genders, as appropriate.

16. **SURVIVAL:** If any provision herein contained which by its nature and effect is required to be observed, kept or performed after the Closing, it shall survive the Closing and remain binding upon and for the benefit of the parties hereto until fully observed, kept or performed.

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17. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no representations, inducements or other provisions other than those expressed herein. All changes, additions or deletions hereto must be in writing and signed by all parties. Nothing contained herein shall alter any agreement between a REALTOR® or broker and Seller or Buyer as contained in any listing agreement, buyer agency agreement, or any other agency agreement between them.

18. **CONDUCT OF TRANSACTION:** The parties agree that any action between them relating to the transaction contemplated by this Contract may be conducted by electronic means, including the signing of this Contract by one or more of them and any notice or communication given in connection with this Contract. Any written notice or communication may be transmitted to any mailing address, e-mail address or fax number set forth in the "Notice Information" section below. Any notice or communication to be given to a party herein, any any fee, deposit of other payment to be delivered to a party herein, may be given to the party or to such party's agent. Seller and Buyer agree that the "Notice Information" and "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Monies" sections below shall not constitute a material part of this Contract, and that the addition or modification of any information therein shall not constitute a rejection of an offer or the creation of a counteroffer.

19. **EXECUTION:** This Contract may be signed in multiple originals or counterparts, all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

20. **COMPUTATION OF DAYS/TIME OF DAY:** Unless otherwise provided, for purposes of this Contract, the term "days" shall mean consecutive calendar days, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, whether federal, state, local or religious. For the purposes of calculating days, the count of "days" shall begin on the day following the day upon which any act or notice as provided in this Contract was required to be performed or made. Any reference to a date or time of day shall refer to the date and/or time of day in the State of North Carolina.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, INC. AND THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION MAKE NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE LEGAL VALIDITY OR ADEQUACY OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS FORM IN ANY SPECIFIC TRANSACTION. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THIS FORM OR FEEL THAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR YOUR LEGAL NEEDS, YOU SHOULD CONSULT A NORTH CAROLINA REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY BEFORE YOU SIGN IT.

This offer shall become a binding contract on the Effective Date. Unless specifically provided otherwise, Buyer's failure to timely deliver any fee, deposit or other payment provided for herein shall not prevent this offer from becoming a binding contract, provided that any such failure shall give Seller certain rights to terminate the contract as described herein or as otherwise permitted by law.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Date: _____

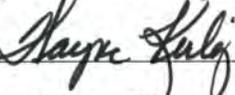
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Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Entity Buyer:
AMMCO, LLC
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

Entity Seller:
City of Hickory
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

By: 

By: _____

Name: Wayne Kirby

Name: Rudy Wright

Title: Member Manager

Title: Mayor

Date: 9/28/15

Date: _____

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Seller Initials _____

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NOTICE INFORMATION

NOTE: INSERT THE ADDRESS AND/OR ELECTRONIC DELIVERY ADDRESS EACH PARTY AND AGENT APPROVES FOR THE RECEIPT OF ANY NOTICE CONTEMPLATED BY THIS CONTRACT. INSERT "N/A" FOR ANY WHICH ARE NOT APPROVED.

BUYER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 2332, Hickory, NC 28603

Buyer Fax#: N/A

Buyer E-mail: wayne@kmtire.net

SELLER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 398, Hickory, NC 28603

Seller Fax#: (828) 323-7476

Seller E-mail: dleonetti@hickorync.gov

SELLING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A

Acting as Buyer's Agent Seller's (sub)Agent Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Selling Agent:

Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Selling Agent Phone#:

Selling Agent Fax#:

Selling Agent E-mail:

LISTING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A

Acting as Seller's Agent Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Listing Agent:

Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Listing Agent Phone#:

Listing Agent Fax#:

Listing Agent E-mail:

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF MONIES

Seller: _____ ("Seller")

Buyer: _____ ("Buyer")

Property Address: _____ ("Property")

LISTING AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Listing Agent hereby acknowledges.

Date _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

SELLER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Seller hereby acknowledges.

Date: _____

Seller: _____
(Signature)

Date: _____

Seller: _____
(Signature)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an Initial Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the Initial Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

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OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT - VACANT LOT/LAND
 [Consult "Guidelines" (form 12G) for guidance in completing this form]

NOTE: This contract is intended for unimproved real property that Buyer will purchase only for personal use and does not have immediate plans to subdivide. It should not be used to sell property that is being subdivided unless the property has been platted, properly approved and recorded with the register of deeds as of the date of the contract. If Seller is Buyer's builder and the sale involves the construction of a new single family dwelling prior to closing, use the standard Offer to Purchase and Contract—New Construction (Form 800-T) or, if the construction is completed, use the Offer to Purchase and Contract (Form 2-T) with the New Construction Addendum (Form 2A3-T).

For valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Buyer offers to purchase and Seller upon acceptance agrees to sell and convey the Property on the terms and conditions of this Offer To Purchase and Contract and any addendum or modification made in accordance with its terms (together the "Contract").

1. **TERMS AND DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the respective meaning given them as set forth adjacent to each term.

(a) **"Seller":** City of Hickory, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(b) **"Buyer":** AMMCO, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company

(c) **"Property":** The Property shall include all that real estate described below together with all appurtenances thereto including the improvements located thereon. **NOTE:** If the Property will include a manufactured (mobile) home(s), Buyer and Seller should consider including the Manufactured (Mobile) Home provision in the Additional Provisions Addendum (Standard Form 2A11-T) with this offer.

Street Address: 872 F Avenue SE
 City: Hickory Zip: 28602
 County: Catawba, North Carolina
 (**NOTE:** Governmental authority over taxes, zoning, school districts, utilities and mail delivery may differ from address shown.)

Legal Description: (Complete ALL applicable)
 Plat Reference: Lot/Unit N/A, Block/Section N/A, Subdivision/Condominium N/A
 _____, as shown on Plat Book/Slide N/A at Page(s) N/A
 The PIN/PID or other identification number of the Property is: 3712-05-09-5056
 Other description: N/A
 Some or all of the Property may be described in Deed Book 2633 at Page 1491

(d) "Purchase Price": \$ <u>3,000</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>150</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>2,850</u>	paid in U.S. Dollars upon the following terms: BY DUE DILIGENCE FEE made payable and delivered to Seller by the Effective Date BY INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by <input type="checkbox"/> cash <input type="checkbox"/> personal check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> official bank check <input type="checkbox"/> wire transfer, EITHER <input type="checkbox"/> with this offer OR <input type="checkbox"/> within five (5) days of the Effective Date of this Contract. BY (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash or immediately available funds such as official bank check or wire transfer no later than _____, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to said date. BY ASSUMPTION of the unpaid principal balance and all obligations of Seller on the existing loan(s) secured by a deed of trust on the Property in accordance with the attached Loan Assumption Addendum (Standard Form 2A6-T). BY SELLER FINANCING in accordance with the attached Seller Financing Addendum (Standard Form 2A5-T). BALANCE of the Purchase Price in cash at Settlement (some or all of which may be paid with the proceeds of a new loan)
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Should Buyer fail to deliver either the Due Diligence Fee or any Initial Earnest Money Deposit by their due dates, or should any check or other funds paid by Buyer be dishonored, for any reason, by the institution upon which the payment is drawn, Buyer shall have one (1) banking day after written notice to deliver cash or immediately available funds to the payee. In the event Buyer does not timely deliver cash or immediately available funds, Seller shall have the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to Buyer.

(e) **“Earnest Money Deposit”**: The Initial Earnest Money Deposit, the Additional Earnest Money Deposit and any other earnest monies paid in connection with this transaction, hereinafter collectively referred to as “Earnest Money Deposit”, shall be deposited and held in escrow by Escrow Agent until Closing, at which time it will be credited to Buyer, or until this Contract is otherwise terminated. In the event: (1) this offer is not accepted; or (2) a condition of any resulting contract is not satisfied, then the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event of breach of this Contract by Seller, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer upon Buyer’s request, but such return shall not affect any other remedies available to Buyer for such breach. In the event of breach of this Contract by Buyer, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be paid to Seller as liquidated damages and as Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for such breach, but without limiting Seller’s rights under Paragraphs 2(c) and 2(d) for damage to the Property or Seller’s right to retain the Due Diligence Fee. It is acknowledged by the parties that payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller in the event of a breach of this Contract by Buyer is compensatory and not punitive, such amount being a reasonable estimation of the actual loss that Seller would incur as a result of such breach. The payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller shall not constitute a penalty or forfeiture but actual compensation for Seller’s anticipated loss, both parties acknowledging the difficulty determining Seller’s actual damages for such breach. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer or Seller against the other to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

(f) **“Escrow Agent”** (insert name): John W. Crone, III

NOTE: In the event of a dispute between Seller and Buyer over the disposition of the Earnest Money Deposit held in escrow, a licensed real estate broker (“Broker”) is required by state law (and Escrow Agent, if not a Broker, hereby agrees) to retain the Earnest Money Deposit in the Escrow Agent’s trust or escrow account until Escrow Agent has obtained a written release from the parties consenting to its disposition or until disbursement is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. Alternatively, if a Broker or an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina (“Attorney”) is holding the Earnest Money Deposit, the Broker or Attorney may deposit the disputed monies with the appropriate clerk of court in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §93A-12.

THE PARTIES AGREE THAT A REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE FIRM ACTING AS ESCROW AGENT MAY PLACE THE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT IN AN INTEREST BEARING TRUST ACCOUNT AND THAT ANY INTEREST EARNED THEREON SHALL BE DISBURSED TO THE ESCROW AGENT MONTHLY IN CONSIDERATION OF THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY MAINTAINING SUCH ACCOUNT AND RECORDS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

(g) **“Effective Date”**: The date that: (1) the last one of Buyer and Seller has signed or initialed this offer or the final counteroffer, if any, and (2) such signing or initialing is communicated to the party making the offer or counteroffer, as the case may be. The parties acknowledge and agree that the initials lines at the bottom of each page of this Contract are merely evidence of their having reviewed the terms of each page, and that the complete execution of such initials lines shall not be a condition of the effectiveness of this Agreement.

(h) **“Due Diligence”**: Buyer’s opportunity during the Due Diligence Period to investigate the Property and the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including but not necessarily limited to the matters described in Paragraph 2 below, to decide whether Buyer, in Buyer’s sole discretion, will proceed with or terminate the transaction.

(i) **“Due Diligence Fee”**: A negotiated amount, if any, paid by Buyer to Seller with this Contract for Buyer’s right to conduct Due Diligence during the Due Diligence Period. It shall be the property of Seller upon the Effective Date and shall be a credit to Buyer at Closing. The Due Diligence Fee shall be non-refundable except in the event of a material breach of this Contract by Seller, or if this Contract is terminated under Paragraph 6(m) or Paragraph 9, or as otherwise provided in any addendum hereto. Buyer and Seller each expressly waive any right that they may have to deny the right to conduct Due Diligence or to assert any defense as to the enforceability of this Contract based on the absence or alleged insufficiency of any Due Diligence Fee, it being the intent of the

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parties to create a legally binding contract for the purchase and sale of the Property without regard to the existence or amount of any Due Diligence Fee.

(j) **“Due Diligence Period”**: The period beginning on the Effective Date and extending through 5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2015 ***TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE*** with regard to said date.

(k) **“Settlement”**: The proper execution and delivery to the closing attorney of all documents necessary to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including the deed, settlement statement, deed of trust and other loan or conveyance documents, and the closing attorney’s receipt of all funds necessary to complete such transaction.

(l) **“Settlement Date”**: The parties agree that Settlement will take place on December 15, 2015 (the “Settlement Date”), unless otherwise agreed in writing, at a time and place designated by Buyer.

(m) **“Closing”**: The completion of the legal process which results in the transfer of title to the Property from Seller to Buyer, which includes the following steps: (1) the Settlement (defined above); (2) the completion of a satisfactory title update to the Property following the Settlement; (3) the closing attorney’s receipt of authorization to disburse all necessary funds; and (4) recordation in the appropriate county registry of the deed(s) and deed(s) of trust, if any, which shall take place as soon as reasonably possible for the closing attorney after Settlement. Upon Closing, the proceeds of sale shall be disbursed by the closing attorney in accordance with the settlement statement and the provisions of Chapter 45A of the North Carolina General Statutes. If the title update should reveal unexpected liens, encumbrances or other title defects, or if the closing attorney is not authorized to disburse all necessary funds, then the Closing shall be suspended and the Settlement deemed delayed under Paragraph 10 (Delay in Settlement/Closing).

WARNING: The North Carolina State Bar has determined that the performance of most acts and services required for a closing constitutes the practice of law and must be performed only by an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina. State law prohibits unlicensed individuals or firms from rendering legal services or advice. Although non-attorney settlement agents may perform limited services in connection with a closing, they may not perform all the acts and services required to complete a closing. A closing involves significant legal issues that should be handled by an attorney. Accordingly it is the position of the North Carolina Bar Association and the North Carolina Association of REALTORS® that all buyers should hire an attorney licensed in North Carolina to perform a closing.

(n) **“Special Assessments”**: A charge against the Property by a governmental authority in addition to ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes, or by an owners’ association in addition to any regular assessment (dues), either of which may be a lien against the Property. A Special Assessment may be either proposed or confirmed.

“Proposed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that is under formal consideration but which has not been approved prior to Settlement.

“Confirmed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that has been approved prior to Settlement whether or not it is fully payable at time of Settlement.

2. BUYER’S DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS:

(a) **Loan**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to pursue qualification for and approval of the Loan if any.

(NOTE: Buyer is advised to consult with Buyer’s lender prior to signing this offer to assure that the Due Diligence Period allows sufficient time for the appraisal to be completed and for Buyer’s lender to provide Buyer sufficient information to decide whether to proceed with or terminate the transaction since the Loan is not a condition of the Contract.)

(b) **Property Investigation**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer or Buyer’s agents or representatives, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to conduct all desired tests, surveys, appraisals, investigations, examinations and inspections of the Property as Buyer deems appropriate, including but NOT limited to the following:

- (i) **Soil And Environmental**: Reports to determine whether the soil is suitable for Buyer’s intended use and whether there is any environmental contamination, law, rule or regulation that may prohibit, restrict or limit Buyer’s intended use.
- (ii) **Septic/Sewer System**: Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing sewage system, (2) the costs and expenses to install a sewage system approved by an existing Improvement Permit, (3) the availability and

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expense to connect to a public or community sewer system, and/or (4) whether an Improvement Permit or written evaluation may be obtained from the County Health Department for a suitable ground absorption sewage system.

- (iii) **Water:** Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing private drinking water well, (2) the costs and expenses to install a private drinking water well approved by an existing Construction Permit, (3) the availability, costs and expenses to connect to a public or community water system, or a shared private well, and/or (4) whether a Construction Permit may be obtained from the County Health Department for a private drinking water well.
- (iv) **Review of Documents:** Review of the Declaration of Restrictive Covenants, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, Rules and Regulations, and other governing documents of any applicable owners' association and/or subdivision. If the Property is subject to regulation by an owners' association, it is recommended that Buyer review the completed Owners' Association And Addendum (Standard Form 2A12-T) provided by Seller prior to signing this offer. It is also recommended that the Buyer determine if the owners' association charges fees for confirming owners' association information and restrictive covenant compliance.
- (v) **Appraisals:** An appraisal of the Property
- (vi) **Survey:** A survey to determine whether the property is suitable for Buyer's intended use and the location of easements, setbacks, property boundaries and other issues which may or may not constitute title defects.
- (vii) **Zoning and Governmental Regulation:** Investigation of current or proposed zoning or other governmental regulation that may affect Buyer's intended use of the Property, adjacent land uses, planned or proposed road construction, and school attendance zones.
- (viii) **Flood Hazard:** Investigation of potential flood hazards on the Property, and/or any requirement to purchase flood insurance in order to obtain the Loan.
- (ix) **Utilities and Access:** Availability, quality, and obligations for maintenance of utilities including electric, gas, communication services, stormwater management, and means of access to the Property and amenities.
- (x) **Streets/Roads:** Investigation of the status of the street/road upon which the Property fronts as well as any other street/road used to access the Property, including: (1) whether any street(s)/road(s) are public or private, (2) whether any street(s)/road(s) designated as public are accepted for maintenance by the State of NC or any municipality, or (3) if private or not accepted for public maintenance, the consequences and responsibility for maintenance and the existence, terms and funding of any maintenance agreements.

NOTE: NC General Statutes Section 136-102.6(f) (the "Statute") requires that under circumstances described in the Statute, a buyer must be provided a subdivision streets disclosure statement prior to entering into an agreement to buy subdivided property described in the Statute. If Buyer or Seller are uncertain whether the sale of the Property described in this Contract is subject to the Statute, consult a NC real estate attorney.

(c) **Buyer's Obligation to Repair Damage:** Buyer shall, at Buyer's expense, promptly repair any damage to the Property resulting from any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors, but Buyer shall not be responsible for any damage caused by accepted practices applicable to any N.C. licensed professional performing reasonable appraisals, tests, surveys, examinations and inspections of the Property. This repair obligation shall survive any termination of this Contract.

(d) **Indemnity:** Buyer will indemnify and hold Seller harmless from all loss, damage, claims, suits or costs, which shall arise out of any contract, agreement, or injury to any person or property as a result of any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors relating to the Property except for any loss, damage, claim, suit or cost arising out of pre-existing conditions of the Property and/or out of Seller's negligence or willful acts or omissions. This indemnity shall survive this Contract and any termination hereof.

(e) **Buyer's Right to Terminate:** Buyer shall have the right to terminate this Contract for any reason or no reason, by delivering to Seller written notice of termination (the "Termination Notice") during the Due Diligence Period (or any agreed-upon written extension of the Due Diligence Period), **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**. If Buyer timely delivers the Termination Notice, this Contract shall be terminated and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer.

WARNING: If Buyer is not satisfied with the results or progress of Buyer's Due Diligence, Buyer should terminate this Contract, *prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period*, unless Buyer can obtain a written extension from Seller. SELLER IS NOT OBLIGATED TO GRANT AN EXTENSION. Although Buyer may continue to investigate the Property following the expiration of the Due Diligence Period, Buyer's failure to deliver a Termination Notice to Seller prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period shall constitute a waiver by Buyer of any right to terminate this Contract based on any matter relating to Buyer's Due Diligence. Provided however, following the Due Diligence Period, Buyer may still exercise a right to terminate if Seller fails to

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materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under paragraph 6 of this Contract or for any other reason permitted under the terms of this Contract or North Carolina law.

(f) CLOSING SHALL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPERTY IN ITS THEN EXISTING CONDITION UNLESS PROVISION IS OTHERWISE MADE IN WRITING.

3. BUYER REPRESENTATIONS:

(a) **Loan:** Buyer does does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property. If Buyer is obtaining a new loan, Buyer intends to obtain a loan as follows: Conventional Other: _____ loan at a Fixed Rate Adjustable Rate in the principal amount of _____ for a term of _____ year(s), at an initial interest rate not to exceed _____ % per annum (the "Loan").

(NOTE: Buyer's obligations under this Contract are not conditioned upon obtaining or closing any loan. If Buyer represents that Buyer does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property, Seller is advised, prior to signing this offer, to obtain documentation from Buyer which demonstrates that Buyer will be able to close on the Property without the necessity of obtaining a new loan.)

(b) **Other Property:** Buyer does does not have to sell or lease other real property in order to qualify for a new loan or to complete purchase. (NOTE: If Buyer does have to sell, Buyer and Seller should consider including a Contingent Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A2-T) with this offer.)

(c) **Performance of Buyer's Financial Obligations:** To the best of Buyer's knowledge, there are no other circumstances or conditions existing as of the date of this offer that would prohibit Buyer from performing Buyer's financial obligations in accordance with this Contract, except as may be specifically set forth herein.

(d) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Buyer authorizes the Buyer's lender(s), the parties' real estate agent(s) and closing attorney: (1) to provide this Contract to any appraiser employed by Buyer or by Buyer's lender(s); and (2) to release and disclose any buyer's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

4. BUYER OBLIGATIONS:

(a) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Buyer shall be responsible for the payment of any fees charged by an owners' association for information relating to Buyer's Due Diligence other than those fees to be paid by Seller under Paragraph 8(j).

(b) **Responsibility for Proposed Special Assessments:** Buyer shall take title subject to all Proposed Special Assessments.

(c) **Responsibility for Certain Costs:** Buyer shall be responsible for all costs with respect to any loan obtained by Buyer, appraisal, title search, title insurance, recording the deed and for preparation and recording of all instruments required to secure the balance of the Purchase Price unpaid at Settlement.

5. SELLER REPRESENTATIONS:

(a) **Ownership:** Seller represents that Seller:
 has owned the Property for at least one year.
 has owned the Property for less than one year.
 does not yet own the Property.

(b) **Assessments:** To the best of Seller's knowledge there are no Proposed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None

Seller warrants that there are no Confirmed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None

(c) **Owners' Association(s) and Dues:** To best of Seller's knowledge, ownership of the Property subjects does not subject Buyer to regulation by one or more owners' association(s) and governing documents, which impose various mandatory covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the Property and Buyer's enjoyment thereof, including but not limited to obligations to pay regular

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assessments (dues) and Special Assessments. If there is an owners' association, then an Owners' Association Disclosure and Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Standard Form 2A12-T) shall be completed by Seller, at Seller's expense, and must be attached as an addendum to this Contract

(d) **Sewage System Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that the sewage system described in the Improvement Permit attached hereto has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the system.

(e) **Private Drinking Water Well Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that a private drinking water well has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the well. (If well installed after July 1, 2008, attach Improvement Permit hereto.

6. **SELLER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Evidence of Title and Payoff Statement(s):** Seller agrees to use best efforts to deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, copies of all title information in possession of or available to Seller, including but not limited to: title insurance policies, attorney's opinions on title, surveys, covenants, deeds, notes and deeds of trust, leases, and easements relating to the Property. Seller shall provide to the closing attorney all information needed to obtain a written payoff statement from any lender(s) regarding any security interest in the Property as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, and Seller designates the closing attorney as Seller's agent with express authority to request and obtain on Seller's behalf payoff statements and/or short-pay statements from any such lender(s).

(b) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Seller authorizes: (1) any attorney presently or previously representing Seller to release and disclose any title insurance policy in such attorney's file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys; (2) the Property's title insurer or its agent to release and disclose all materials in the Property's title insurer's (or title insurer's agent's) file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys, and (3) the closing attorney to release and disclose any seller's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

(c) **Access to Property/Walk-Through Inspection:** Seller shall provide reasonable access to the Property (including working, existing utilities) through the earlier of Closing or possession by Buyer, including, but not limited to, allowing the Buyer an opportunity to conduct a final walk-through inspection of the Property. To the extent applicable, Seller shall also be responsible for timely clearing that portion of the Property required by the County to perform tests, inspections and/or evaluations to determine the suitability of the Property for a sewage system and/or private drinking water well.

(d) **Removal of Seller's Property:** Seller shall remove, by the date possession is made available to Buyer, all personal property which is not a part of the purchase and all garbage and debris from the Property.

(e) **Affidavit And Indemnification Agreement:** Seller shall furnish at Settlement an affidavit(s) and indemnification agreement(s) in form satisfactory to Buyer and Buyer's title insurer, if any, executed by Seller and any person or entity who has performed or furnished labor, services, materials or rental equipment to the Property within 120 days prior to the date of Settlement and who may be entitled to claim a lien against the Property as described in N.C.G.S. §44A-8 verifying that each such person or entity has been paid in full and agreeing to indemnify Buyer, Buyer's lender(s) and Buyer's title insurer against all loss from any cause or claim arising therefrom.

(f) **Designation of Lien Agent, Payment and Satisfaction of Liens:** If required by N.C.G.S. §44A-11.1, Seller shall have designated a Lien Agent, and Seller shall deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible a copy of the appointment of Lien Agent. All deeds of trust, deferred ad valorem taxes, liens and other charges against the Property, not assumed by Buyer, must be paid and satisfied by Seller prior to or at Settlement such that cancellation may be promptly obtained following Closing. Seller shall remain obligated to obtain any such cancellations following Closing.

(g) **Good Title, Legal Access:** Seller shall execute and deliver a GENERAL WARRANTY DEED for the Property in recordable form no later than Settlement, which shall convey fee simple marketable and insurable title, without exception for mechanics' liens, and free of any other liens, encumbrances or defects, including those which would be revealed by a current and accurate survey of the Property, except: ad valorem taxes for the current year (prorated through the date of Settlement); utility easements and unviolated covenants, conditions or restrictions that do not materially affect the value of the Property; and such other liens,

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encumbrances or defects as may be assumed or specifically approved by Buyer in writing. The Property must have legal access to a public right of way.

(NOTE: Buyer's failure to terminate this Contract prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period as a result of any encumbrance or defect that is or would have been revealed by a title examination of the Property or a current and accurate survey shall not relieve Seller of any obligation under this subparagraph)

(NOTE: If any sale of the Property may be a "short sale," consideration should be given to attaching a Short Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A14-T) as an addendum to this Contract.)

(h) **Deed, Taxes, and Fees:** Seller shall pay for preparation of a deed and all other documents necessary to perform Seller's obligations under this Contract, and for state and county excise taxes, and any deferred, discounted or rollback taxes, and local conveyance fees required by law. The deed is to be made to: AMMCO, LLC

(i) **Agreement to Pay Buyer Expenses:** Seller shall pay at Settlement \$ 0 toward any of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property, less any portion disapproved by Buyer's lender.

NOTE: Examples of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property include, but are not limited to, discount points, loan origination fees, appraisal fees, attorney's fees, inspection fees, and "pre-pays" (taxes, insurance, owners' association dues, etc).

(j) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Seller shall pay: (i) any fees required for confirming Seller's account payment information on owners' association dues or assessments for payment or proration; (ii) any transfer or similar fee imposed by the owners' association; and (iii) fees incurred by Seller in completing the Residential Property and Owners' Association Disclosure Statement.

(k) **Payment of Confirmed Special Assessments:** Seller shall pay all Confirmed Special Assessments, if any, provided that the amount thereof can be reasonably determined or estimated.

(l) **Late Listing Penalties:** All property tax late listing penalties, if any, shall be paid by Seller.

(m) **Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum** (Standard Form 2A12-T): If applicable, Seller shall provide the completed Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum to Buyer on or before the Effective Date.

(n) **Seller's Failure to Comply or Breach:** If Seller fails to materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under this Paragraph 6 or Seller materially breaches this Contract, and Buyer elects to terminate this Contract as a result of such failure or breach, then the Earnest Money Deposit and the Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer and Seller shall reimburse to Buyer the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence without affecting any other remedies. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer against the Seller to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the Due Diligence Fee and/or the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

7. **PRORATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS:** Unless otherwise provided, the following items shall be prorated through the date of Settlement and either adjusted between the parties or paid at Settlement:

- (a) **Taxes on Real Property:** Ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes on real property shall be prorated on a calendar year basis;
- (b) **Rents:** Rents, if any, for the Property;
- (c) **Dues:** Owners' association regular assessments (dues) and other like charges.

8. **CONDITION OF PROPERTY AT CLOSING:** Buyer's obligation to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract shall be contingent upon the Property being in substantially the same or better condition at Closing as on the date of this offer, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

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9. **RISK OF LOSS:** The risk of loss or damage by fire or other casualty prior to Closing shall be upon Seller. If the improvements on the Property are destroyed or materially damaged prior to Closing, Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice delivered to Seller or Seller's agent and the Earnest Money Deposit and any Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event Buyer does NOT elect to terminate this Contract, Buyer shall be entitled to receive, in addition to the Property, any of Seller's insurance proceeds payable on account of the damage or destruction applicable to the Property being purchased. Seller is advised not to cancel existing insurance on the Property until after confirming recordation of the deed.

10. **DELAY IN SETTLEMENT/CLOSING:** Absent agreement to the contrary in this Contract or any subsequent modification thereto, if a party is unable to complete Settlement by the Settlement Date but intends to complete the transaction and is acting in good faith and with reasonable diligence to proceed to Settlement ("Delaying Party"), and if the other party is ready, willing and able to complete Settlement on the Settlement Date ("Non-Delaying Party") then the Delaying Party shall give as much notice as possible to the Non-Delaying Party and closing attorney and shall be entitled to a delay in Settlement. If the parties fail to complete Settlement and Closing within fourteen (14) days of the Settlement Date (including any amended Settlement Date agreed to in writing by the parties) or to otherwise extend the Settlement Date by written agreement, then the Delaying Party shall be in breach and the Non-Delaying Party may terminate this Contract and shall be entitled to enforce any remedies available to such party under this Contract for the breach.

11. **POSSESSION:** Unless otherwise provided herein, possession shall be delivered at Closing as defined in Paragraph 1(m). No alterations, excavations, tree or vegetation removal or other such activities may be done before possession is delivered

12. **OTHER PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS:** CHECK ALL STANDARD ADDENDA THAT MAY BE A PART OF THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO. ITEMIZE ALL OTHER ADDENDA TO THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO.

(NOTE: UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, REAL ESTATE BROKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DRAFT CONDITIONS OR CONTINGENCIES TO THIS CONTRACT.)

- Additional Provisions Addendum (Form 2A11-T)
- Additional Signatures Addendum (Form 3-T)
- Back-Up Contract Addendum (Form 2A1-T)
- Contingent Sale Addendum (Form 2A2-T)
- Loan Assumption Addendum (Form 2A6-T)
- OTHER: _____

- Owners' Association Disclosure And Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Form 2A12-T)
- Seller Financing Addendum (Form 2A5-T)
- Short Sale Addendum (Form 2A14-T)

13. **ASSIGNMENTS:** This Contract may not be assigned without the written consent of all parties except in connection with a tax-deferred exchange, but if assigned by agreement, then this Contract shall be binding on the assignee and assignee's heirs and successors.

14. **TAX-DEFERRED EXCHANGE:** In the event Buyer or Seller desires to effect a tax-deferred exchange in connection with the conveyance of the Property, Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in effecting such exchange; provided, however, that the exchanging party shall be responsible for all additional costs associated with such exchange, and provided further, that a non-exchanging party shall not assume any additional liability with respect to such tax-deferred exchange. Buyer and Seller shall execute such additional documents, including assignment of this Contract in connection therewith, at no cost to the non-exchanging party, as shall be required to give effect to this provision.

15. **PARTIES:** This Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Buyer and Seller and their respective heirs, successors and assigns. As used herein, words in the singular include the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter genders, as appropriate.

16. **SURVIVAL:** If any provision herein contained which by its nature and effect is required to be observed, kept or performed after the Closing, it shall survive the Closing and remain binding upon and for the benefit of the parties hereto until fully observed, kept or performed.

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17. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no representations, inducements or other provisions other than those expressed herein. All changes, additions or deletions hereto must be in writing and signed by all parties. Nothing contained herein shall alter any agreement between a REALTOR® or broker and Seller or Buyer as contained in any listing agreement, buyer agency agreement, or any other agency agreement between them.

18. **CONDUCT OF TRANSACTION:** The parties agree that any action between them relating to the transaction contemplated by this Contract may be conducted by electronic means, including the signing of this Contract by one or more of them and any notice or communication given in connection with this Contract. Any written notice or communication may be transmitted to any mailing address, e-mail address or fax number set forth in the "Notice Information" section below. Any notice or communication to be given to a party herein, any any fee, deposit of other payment to be delivered to a party herein, may be given to the party or to such party's agent. Seller and Buyer agree that the "Notice Information" and "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Monies" sections below shall not constitute a material part of this Contract, and that the addition or modification of any information therein shall not constitute a rejection of an offer or the creation of a counteroffer.

19. **EXECUTION:** This Contract may be signed in multiple originals or counterparts, all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

20. **COMPUTATION OF DAYS/TIME OF DAY:** Unless otherwise provided, for purposes of this Contract, the term "days" shall mean consecutive calendar days, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, whether federal, state, local or religious. For the purposes of calculating days, the count of "days" shall begin on the day following the day upon which any act or notice as provided in this Contract was required to be performed or made. Any reference to a date or time of day shall refer to the date and/or time of day in the State of North Carolina.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, INC. AND THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION MAKE NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE LEGAL VALIDITY OR ADEQUACY OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS FORM IN ANY SPECIFIC TRANSACTION. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THIS FORM OR FEEL THAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR YOUR LEGAL NEEDS, YOU SHOULD CONSULT A NORTH CAROLINA REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY BEFORE YOU SIGN IT.

This offer shall become a binding contract on the Effective Date. Unless specifically provided otherwise, Buyer's failure to timely deliver any fee, deposit or other payment provided for herein shall not prevent this offer from becoming a binding contract, provided that any such failure shall give Seller certain rights to terminate the contract as described herein or as otherwise permitted by law.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Entity Buyer:
AMMCO, LLC
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

Entity Seller:
City of Hickory
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

By: Wayne Kirby

By: _____

Name: Wayne Kirby

Name: Rudy Wright

Title: Member Manager

Title: Mayor

Date: 9/28/15

Date: _____

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NOTICE INFORMATION

NOTE: INSERT THE ADDRESS AND/OR ELECTRONIC DELIVERY ADDRESS EACH PARTY AND AGENT APPROVES FOR THE RECEIPT OF ANY NOTICE CONTEMPLATED BY THIS CONTRACT. INSERT "N/A" FOR ANY WHICH ARE NOT APPROVED.

BUYER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 2332, Hickory, NC 28603

Buyer Fax#: N/A

Buyer E-mail: wayne@kmtire.net

SELLER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 398, Hickory, NC 28603

Seller Fax#: (828) 323-7476

Seller E-mail: dleonetti@hickorync.gov

SELLING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A
Acting as [] Buyer's Agent [] Seller's (sub)Agent [] Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Selling Agent:
[] Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Selling Agent Phone#:

Selling Agent Fax#:

Selling Agent E-mail:

LISTING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A
Acting as [] Seller's Agent [] Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Listing Agent:
[] Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Listing Agent Phone#:

Listing Agent Fax#:

Listing Agent E-mail:

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF MONIES

Seller: _____ ("Seller")

Buyer: _____ ("Buyer")

Property Address: _____ ("Property")

LISTING AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Listing Agent hereby acknowledges.

Date _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

SELLER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Seller hereby acknowledges.

Date: _____

Seller: _____
(Signature)

Date: _____

Seller: _____
(Signature)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an Initial Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the Initial Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

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OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT - VACANT LOT/LAND
 [Consult "Guidelines" (form 12G) for guidance in completing this form]

NOTE: This contract is intended for unimproved real property that Buyer will purchase only for personal use and does not have immediate plans to subdivide. It should not be used to sell property that is being subdivided unless the property has been platted, properly approved and recorded with the register of deeds as of the date of the contract. If Seller is Buyer's builder and the sale involves the construction of a new single family dwelling prior to closing, use the standard Offer to Purchase and Contract—New Construction (Form 800-T) or, if the construction is completed, use the Offer to Purchase and Contract (Form 2-T) with the New Construction Addendum (Form 2A3-T).

For valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Buyer offers to purchase and Seller upon acceptance agrees to sell and convey the Property on the terms and conditions of this Offer To Purchase and Contract and any addendum or modification made in accordance with its terms (together the "Contract").

1. **TERMS AND DEFINITIONS:** The terms listed below shall have the respective meaning given them as set forth adjacent to each term.

(a) **"Seller":** City of Hickory, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(b) **"Buyer":** AMMCO, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company

(c) **"Property":** The Property shall include all that real estate described below together with all appurtenances thereto including the improvements located thereon. **NOTE:** If the Property will include a manufactured (mobile) home(s), Buyer and Seller should consider including the Manufactured (Mobile) Home provision in the Additional Provisions Addendum (Standard Form 2A11-T) with this offer.

Street Address: 880 F Avenue SE
 City: Hickory Zip: 28602
 County: Catawba, North Carolina
 (**NOTE:** Governmental authority over taxes, zoning, school districts, utilities and mail delivery may differ from address shown.)

Legal Description: (Complete ALL applicable)
 Plat Reference: Lot/Unit N/A, Block/Section N/A, Subdivision/Condominium N/A
 as shown on Plat Book/Slide N/A at Page(s) N/A
 The PIN/PID or other identification number of the Property is: 3712-05-09-6016
 Other description: N/A
 Some or all of the Property may be described in Deed Book 2622 at Page 1872

(d) "Purchase Price": \$ <u>3,000</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>150</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>0</u> \$ <u>2,850</u>	paid in U.S. Dollars upon the following terms: BY DUE DILIGENCE FEE made payable and delivered to Seller by the Effective Date BY INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by <input type="checkbox"/> cash <input type="checkbox"/> personal check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> official bank check <input type="checkbox"/> wire transfer, EITHER <input type="checkbox"/> with this offer OR <input type="checkbox"/> within five (5) days of the Effective Date of this Contract. BY (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash or immediately available funds such as official bank check or wire transfer no later than _____, TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to said date. BY ASSUMPTION of the unpaid principal balance and all obligations of Seller on the existing loan(s) secured by a deed of trust on the Property in accordance with the attached Loan Assumption Addendum (Standard Form 2A6-T). BY SELLER FINANCING in accordance with the attached Seller Financing Addendum (Standard Form 2A5-T). BALANCE of the Purchase Price in cash at Settlement (some or all of which may be paid with the proceeds of a new loan)
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Should Buyer fail to deliver either the Due Diligence Fee or any Initial Earnest Money Deposit by their due dates, or should any check or other funds paid by Buyer be dishonored, for any reason, by the institution upon which the payment is drawn, Buyer shall have one (1) banking day after written notice to deliver cash or immediately available funds to the payee. In the event Buyer does not timely deliver cash or immediately available funds, Seller shall have the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to Buyer.

(e) **“Earnest Money Deposit”**: The Initial Earnest Money Deposit, the Additional Earnest Money Deposit and any other earnest monies paid in connection with this transaction, hereinafter collectively referred to as “Earnest Money Deposit”, shall be deposited and held in escrow by Escrow Agent until Closing, at which time it will be credited to Buyer, or until this Contract is otherwise terminated. In the event: (1) this offer is not accepted; or (2) a condition of any resulting contract is not satisfied, then the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event of breach of this Contract by Seller, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer upon Buyer’s request, but such return shall not affect any other remedies available to Buyer for such breach. In the event of breach of this Contract by Buyer, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be paid to Seller as liquidated damages and as Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for such breach, but without limiting Seller’s rights under Paragraphs 2(c) and 2(d) for damage to the Property or Seller’s right to retain the Due Diligence Fee. It is acknowledged by the parties that payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller in the event of a breach of this Contract by Buyer is compensatory and not punitive, such amount being a reasonable estimation of the actual loss that Seller would incur as a result of such breach. The payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller shall not constitute a penalty or forfeiture but actual compensation for Seller’s anticipated loss, both parties acknowledging the difficulty determining Seller’s actual damages for such breach. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer or Seller against the other to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

(f) **“Escrow Agent”** (insert name): John W. Crone, III

NOTE: In the event of a dispute between Seller and Buyer over the disposition of the Earnest Money Deposit held in escrow, a licensed real estate broker (“Broker”) is required by state law (and Escrow Agent, if not a Broker, hereby agrees) to retain the Earnest Money Deposit in the Escrow Agent’s trust or escrow account until Escrow Agent has obtained a written release from the parties consenting to its disposition or until disbursement is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. Alternatively, if a Broker or an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina (“Attorney”) is holding the Earnest Money Deposit, the Broker or Attorney may deposit the disputed monies with the appropriate clerk of court in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §93A-12.

THE PARTIES AGREE THAT A REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE FIRM ACTING AS ESCROW AGENT MAY PLACE THE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT IN AN INTEREST BEARING TRUST ACCOUNT AND THAT ANY INTEREST EARNED THEREON SHALL BE DISBURSED TO THE ESCROW AGENT MONTHLY IN CONSIDERATION OF THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY MAINTAINING SUCH ACCOUNT AND RECORDS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

(g) **“Effective Date”**: The date that: (1) the last one of Buyer and Seller has signed or initialed this offer or the final counteroffer, if any, and (2) such signing or initialing is communicated to the party making the offer or counteroffer, as the case may be. The parties acknowledge and agree that the initials lines at the bottom of each page of this Contract are merely evidence of their having reviewed the terms of each page, and that the complete execution of such initials lines shall not be a condition of the effectiveness of this Agreement.

(h) **“Due Diligence”**: Buyer’s opportunity during the Due Diligence Period to investigate the Property and the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including but not necessarily limited to the matters described in Paragraph 2 below, to decide whether Buyer, in Buyer’s sole discretion, will proceed with or terminate the transaction.

(i) **“Due Diligence Fee”**: A negotiated amount, if any, paid by Buyer to Seller with this Contract for Buyer’s right to conduct Due Diligence during the Due Diligence Period. It shall be the property of Seller upon the Effective Date and shall be a credit to Buyer at Closing. The Due Diligence Fee shall be non-refundable except in the event of a material breach of this Contract by Seller, or if this Contract is terminated under Paragraph 6(m) or Paragraph 9, or as otherwise provided in any addendum hereto. Buyer and Seller each expressly waive any right that they may have to deny the right to conduct Due Diligence or to assert any defense as to the enforceability of this Contract based on the absence or alleged insufficiency of any Due Diligence Fee, it being the intent of the

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parties to create a legally binding contract for the purchase and sale of the Property without regard to the existence or amount of any Due Diligence Fee.

(j) **“Due Diligence Period”**: The period beginning on the Effective Date and extending through 5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2015 ***TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE*** with regard to said date.

(k) **“Settlement”**: The proper execution and delivery to the closing attorney of all documents necessary to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including the deed, settlement statement, deed of trust and other loan or conveyance documents, and the closing attorney’s receipt of all funds necessary to complete such transaction.

(l) **“Settlement Date”**: The parties agree that Settlement will take place on December 15, 2015 (the “Settlement Date”), unless otherwise agreed in writing, at a time and place designated by Buyer.

(m) **“Closing”**: The completion of the legal process which results in the transfer of title to the Property from Seller to Buyer, which includes the following steps: (1) the Settlement (defined above); (2) the completion of a satisfactory title update to the Property following the Settlement; (3) the closing attorney’s receipt of authorization to disburse all necessary funds; and (4) recordation in the appropriate county registry of the deed(s) and deed(s) of trust, if any, which shall take place as soon as reasonably possible for the closing attorney after Settlement. Upon Closing, the proceeds of sale shall be disbursed by the closing attorney in accordance with the settlement statement and the provisions of Chapter 45A of the North Carolina General Statutes. If the title update should reveal unexpected liens, encumbrances or other title defects, or if the closing attorney is not authorized to disburse all necessary funds, then the Closing shall be suspended and the Settlement deemed delayed under Paragraph 10 (Delay in Settlement/Closing).

WARNING: The North Carolina State Bar has determined that the performance of most acts and services required for a closing constitutes the practice of law and must be performed only by an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina. State law prohibits unlicensed individuals or firms from rendering legal services or advice. Although non-attorney settlement agents may perform limited services in connection with a closing, they may not perform all the acts and services required to complete a closing. A closing involves significant legal issues that should be handled by an attorney. Accordingly it is the position of the North Carolina Bar Association and the North Carolina Association of REALTORS® that all buyers should hire an attorney licensed in North Carolina to perform a closing.

(n) **“Special Assessments”**: A charge against the Property by a governmental authority in addition to ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes, or by an owners’ association in addition to any regular assessment (dues), either of which may be a lien against the Property. A Special Assessment may be either proposed or confirmed.

“Proposed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that is under formal consideration but which has not been approved prior to Settlement.

“Confirmed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that has been approved prior to Settlement whether or not it is fully payable at time of Settlement.

2. BUYER’S DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS:

(a) **Loan**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to pursue qualification for and approval of the Loan if any.

(NOTE: Buyer is advised to consult with Buyer’s lender prior to signing this offer to assure that the Due Diligence Period allows sufficient time for the appraisal to be completed and for Buyer’s lender to provide Buyer sufficient information to decide whether to proceed with or terminate the transaction since the Loan is not a condition of the Contract.)

(b) **Property Investigation**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer or Buyer’s agents or representatives, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to conduct all desired tests, surveys, appraisals, investigations, examinations and inspections of the Property as Buyer deems appropriate, including but NOT limited to the following:

- (i) **Soil And Environmental**: Reports to determine whether the soil is suitable for Buyer’s intended use and whether there is any environmental contamination, law, rule or regulation that may prohibit, restrict or limit Buyer’s intended use.
- (ii) **Septic/Sewer System**: Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing sewage system, (2) the costs and expenses to install a sewage system approved by an existing Improvement Permit, (3) the availability and

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expense to connect to a public or community sewer system, and/or (4) whether an Improvement Permit or written evaluation may be obtained from the County Health Department for a suitable ground absorption sewage system.

- (iii) **Water:** Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing private drinking water well, (2) the costs and expenses to install a private drinking water well approved by an existing Construction Permit, (3) the availability, costs and expenses to connect to a public or community water system, or a shared private well, and/or (4) whether a Construction Permit may be obtained from the County Health Department for a private drinking water well.
- (iv) **Review of Documents:** Review of the Declaration of Restrictive Covenants, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, Rules and Regulations, and other governing documents of any applicable owners' association and/or subdivision. If the Property is subject to regulation by an owners' association, it is recommended that Buyer review the completed Owners' Association And Addendum (Standard Form 2A12-T) provided by Seller prior to signing this offer. It is also recommended that the Buyer determine if the owners' association charges fees for confirming owners' association information and restrictive covenant compliance.
- (v) **Appraisals:** An appraisal of the Property
- (vi) **Survey:** A survey to determine whether the property is suitable for Buyer's intended use and the location of easements, setbacks, property boundaries and other issues which may or may not constitute title defects.
- (vii) **Zoning and Governmental Regulation:** Investigation of current or proposed zoning or other governmental regulation that may affect Buyer's intended use of the Property, adjacent land uses, planned or proposed road construction, and school attendance zones.
- (viii) **Flood Hazard:** Investigation of potential flood hazards on the Property, and/or any requirement to purchase flood insurance in order to obtain the Loan.
- (ix) **Utilities and Access:** Availability, quality, and obligations for maintenance of utilities including electric, gas, communication services, stormwater management, and means of access to the Property and amenities.
- (x) **Streets/Roads:** Investigation of the status of the street/road upon which the Property fronts as well as any other street/road used to access the Property, including: (1) whether any street(s)/road(s) are public or private, (2) whether any street(s)/road(s) designated as public are accepted for maintenance by the State of NC or any municipality, or (3) if private or not accepted for public maintenance, the consequences and responsibility for maintenance and the existence, terms and funding of any maintenance agreements.

NOTE: NC General Statutes Section 136-102.6(f) (the "Statute") requires that under circumstances described in the Statute, a buyer must be provided a subdivision streets disclosure statement prior to entering into an agreement to buy subdivided property described in the Statute. If Buyer or Seller are uncertain whether the sale of the Property described in this Contract is subject to the Statute, consult a NC real estate attorney.

(c) **Buyer's Obligation to Repair Damage:** Buyer shall, at Buyer's expense, promptly repair any damage to the Property resulting from any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors, but Buyer shall not be responsible for any damage caused by accepted practices applicable to any N.C. licensed professional performing reasonable appraisals, tests, surveys, examinations and inspections of the Property. This repair obligation shall survive any termination of this Contract.

(d) **Indemnity:** Buyer will indemnify and hold Seller harmless from all loss, damage, claims, suits or costs, which shall arise out of any contract, agreement, or injury to any person or property as a result of any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors relating to the Property except for any loss, damage, claim, suit or cost arising out of pre-existing conditions of the Property and/or out of Seller's negligence or willful acts or omissions. This indemnity shall survive this Contract and any termination hereof.

(e) **Buyer's Right to Terminate:** Buyer shall have the right to terminate this Contract for any reason or no reason, by delivering to Seller written notice of termination (the "Termination Notice") during the Due Diligence Period (or any agreed-upon written extension of the Due Diligence Period), **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**. If Buyer timely delivers the Termination Notice, this Contract shall be terminated and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer.

WARNING: If Buyer is not satisfied with the results or progress of Buyer's Due Diligence, Buyer should terminate this Contract, *prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period*, unless Buyer can obtain a written extension from Seller. SELLER IS NOT OBLIGATED TO GRANT AN EXTENSION. Although Buyer may continue to investigate the Property following the expiration of the Due Diligence Period, Buyer's failure to deliver a Termination Notice to Seller prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period shall constitute a waiver by Buyer of any right to terminate this Contract based on any matter relating to Buyer's Due Diligence. Provided however, following the Due Diligence Period, Buyer may still exercise a right to terminate if Seller fails to

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materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under paragraph 6 of this Contract or for any other reason permitted under the terms of this Contract or North Carolina law.

(f) CLOSING SHALL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPERTY IN ITS THEN EXISTING CONDITION UNLESS PROVISION IS OTHERWISE MADE IN WRITING.

3. BUYER REPRESENTATIONS:

(a) **Loan:** Buyer does does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property. If Buyer is obtaining a new loan, Buyer intends to obtain a loan as follows: Conventional Other: _____ loan at a Fixed Rate Adjustable Rate in the principal amount of _____ for a term of _____ year(s), at an initial interest rate not to exceed _____ % per annum (the "Loan").

(NOTE: Buyer's obligations under this Contract are not conditioned upon obtaining or closing any loan. If Buyer represents that Buyer does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property, Seller is advised, prior to signing this offer, to obtain documentation from Buyer which demonstrates that Buyer will be able to close on the Property without the necessity of obtaining a new loan.)

(b) **Other Property:** Buyer does does not have to sell or lease other real property in order to qualify for a new loan or to complete purchase. (NOTE: If Buyer does have to sell, Buyer and Seller should consider including a Contingent Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A2-T) with this offer.)

(c) **Performance of Buyer's Financial Obligations:** To the best of Buyer's knowledge, there are no other circumstances or conditions existing as of the date of this offer that would prohibit Buyer from performing Buyer's financial obligations in accordance with this Contract, except as may be specifically set forth herein.

(d) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Buyer authorizes the Buyer's lender(s), the parties' real estate agent(s) and closing attorney: (1) to provide this Contract to any appraiser employed by Buyer or by Buyer's lender(s); and (2) to release and disclose any buyer's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

4. BUYER OBLIGATIONS:

(a) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Buyer shall be responsible for the payment of any fees charged by an owners' association for information relating to Buyer's Due Diligence other than those fees to be paid by Seller under Paragraph 8(j).

(b) **Responsibility for Proposed Special Assessments:** Buyer shall take title subject to all Proposed Special Assessments.

(c) **Responsibility for Certain Costs:** Buyer shall be responsible for all costs with respect to any loan obtained by Buyer, appraisal, title search, title insurance, recording the deed and for preparation and recording of all instruments required to secure the balance of the Purchase Price unpaid at Settlement.

5. SELLER REPRESENTATIONS:

(a) **Ownership:** Seller represents that Seller:
 has owned the Property for at least one year.
 has owned the Property for less than one year.
 does not yet own the Property.

(b) **Assessments:** To the best of Seller's knowledge there are no Proposed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None.

Seller warrants that there are no Confirmed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None.

(c) **Owners' Association(s) and Dues:** To best of Seller's knowledge, ownership of the Property subjects does not subject Buyer to regulation by one or more owners' association(s) and governing documents, which impose various mandatory covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the Property and Buyer's enjoyment thereof, including but not limited to obligations to pay regular

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assessments (dues) and Special Assessments. If there is an owners' association, then an Owners' Association Disclosure and Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Standard Form 2A12-T) shall be completed by Seller, at Seller's expense, and must be attached as an addendum to this Contract

(d) **Sewage System Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that the sewage system described in the Improvement Permit attached hereto has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the system.

(e) **Private Drinking Water Well Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that a private drinking water well has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the well. (If well installed after July 1, 2008, attach Improvement Permit hereto.)

6. **SELLER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Evidence of Title and Payoff Statement(s):** Seller agrees to use best efforts to deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, copies of all title information in possession of or available to Seller, including but not limited to: title insurance policies, attorney's opinions on title, surveys, covenants, deeds, notes and deeds of trust, leases, and easements relating to the Property. Seller shall provide to the closing attorney all information needed to obtain a written payoff statement from any lender(s) regarding any security interest in the Property as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, and Seller designates the closing attorney as Seller's agent with express authority to request and obtain on Seller's behalf payoff statements and/or short-pay statements from any such lender(s).

(b) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Seller authorizes: (1) any attorney presently or previously representing Seller to release and disclose any title insurance policy in such attorney's file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys; (2) the Property's title insurer or its agent to release and disclose all materials in the Property's title insurer's (or title insurer's agent's) file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys, and (3) the closing attorney to release and disclose any seller's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

(c) **Access to Property/Walk-Through Inspection:** Seller shall provide reasonable access to the Property (including working, existing utilities) through the earlier of Closing or possession by Buyer, including, but not limited to, allowing the Buyer an opportunity to conduct a final walk-through inspection of the Property. To the extent applicable, Seller shall also be responsible for timely clearing that portion of the Property required by the County to perform tests, inspections and/or evaluations to determine the suitability of the Property for a sewage system and/or private drinking water well.

(d) **Removal of Seller's Property:** Seller shall remove, by the date possession is made available to Buyer, all personal property which is not a part of the purchase and all garbage and debris from the Property.

(e) **Affidavit And Indemnification Agreement:** Seller shall furnish at Settlement an affidavit(s) and indemnification agreement(s) in form satisfactory to Buyer and Buyer's title insurer, if any, executed by Seller and any person or entity who has performed or furnished labor, services, materials or rental equipment to the Property within 120 days prior to the date of Settlement and who may be entitled to claim a lien against the Property as described in N.C.G.S. §44A-8 verifying that each such person or entity has been paid in full and agreeing to indemnify Buyer, Buyer's lender(s) and Buyer's title insurer against all loss from any cause or claim arising therefrom.

(f) **Designation of Lien Agent, Payment and Satisfaction of Liens:** If required by N.C.G.S. §44A-11.1, Seller shall have designated a Lien Agent, and Seller shall deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible a copy of the appointment of Lien Agent. All deeds of trust, deferred ad valorem taxes, liens and other charges against the Property, not assumed by Buyer, must be paid and satisfied by Seller prior to or at Settlement such that cancellation may be promptly obtained following Closing. Seller shall remain obligated to obtain any such cancellations following Closing.

(g) **Good Title, Legal Access:** Seller shall execute and deliver a GENERAL WARRANTY DEED for the Property in recordable form no later than Settlement, which shall convey fee simple marketable and insurable title, without exception for mechanics' liens, and free of any other liens, encumbrances or defects, including those which would be revealed by a current and accurate survey of the Property, except: ad valorem taxes for the current year (prorated through the date of Settlement); utility easements and unviolated covenants, conditions or restrictions that do not materially affect the value of the Property; and such other liens,

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encumbrances or defects as may be assumed or specifically approved by Buyer in writing. The Property must have legal access to a public right of way.

(NOTE: Buyer's failure to terminate this Contract prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period as a result of any encumbrance or defect that is or would have been revealed by a title examination of the Property or a current and accurate survey shall not relieve Seller of any obligation under this subparagraph)

(NOTE: If any sale of the Property may be a "short sale," consideration should be given to attaching a Short Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A14-T) as an addendum to this Contract.)

(h) **Deed, Taxes, and Fees:** Seller shall pay for preparation of a deed and all other documents necessary to perform Seller's obligations under this Contract, and for state and county excise taxes, and any deferred, discounted or rollback taxes, and local conveyance fees required by law. The deed is to be made to: AMMCO, LLC

(i) **Agreement to Pay Buyer Expenses:** Seller shall pay at Settlement \$ 0 toward any of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property, less any portion disapproved by Buyer's lender.

NOTE: Examples of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property include, but are not limited to, discount points, loan origination fees, appraisal fees, attorney's fees, inspection fees, and "pre-pays" (taxes, insurance, owners' association dues, etc).

(j) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Seller shall pay: (i) any fees required for confirming Seller's account payment information on owners' association dues or assessments for payment or proration; (ii) any transfer or similar fee imposed by the owners' association; and (iii) fees incurred by Seller in completing the Residential Property and Owners' Association Disclosure Statement.

(k) **Payment of Confirmed Special Assessments:** Seller shall pay all Confirmed Special Assessments, if any, provided that the amount thereof can be reasonably determined or estimated.

(l) **Late Listing Penalties:** All property tax late listing penalties, if any, shall be paid by Seller.

(m) **Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum** (Standard Form 2A12-T): If applicable, Seller shall provide the completed Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum to Buyer on or before the Effective Date.

(n) **Seller's Failure to Comply or Breach:** If Seller fails to materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under this Paragraph 6 or Seller materially breaches this Contract, and Buyer elects to terminate this Contract as a result of such failure or breach, then the Earnest Money Deposit and the Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer and Seller shall reimburse to Buyer the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence without affecting any other remedies. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer against the Seller to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the Due Diligence Fee and/or the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

7. **PRORATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS:** Unless otherwise provided, the following items shall be prorated through the date of Settlement and either adjusted between the parties or paid at Settlement:

- (a) **Taxes on Real Property:** Ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes on real property shall be prorated on a calendar year basis;
- (b) **Rents:** Rents, if any, for the Property;
- (c) **Dues:** Owners' association regular assessments (dues) and other like charges.

8. **CONDITION OF PROPERTY AT CLOSING:** Buyer's obligation to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract shall be contingent upon the Property being in substantially the same or better condition at Closing as on the date of this offer, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

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9. **RISK OF LOSS:** The risk of loss or damage by fire or other casualty prior to Closing shall be upon Seller. If the improvements on the Property are destroyed or materially damaged prior to Closing, Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice delivered to Seller or Seller's agent and the Earnest Money Deposit and any Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event Buyer does NOT elect to terminate this Contract, Buyer shall be entitled to receive, in addition to the Property, any of Seller's insurance proceeds payable on account of the damage or destruction applicable to the Property being purchased. Seller is advised not to cancel existing insurance on the Property until after confirming recordation of the deed.

10. **DELAY IN SETTLEMENT/CLOSING:** Absent agreement to the contrary in this Contract or any subsequent modification thereto, if a party is unable to complete Settlement by the Settlement Date but intends to complete the transaction and is acting in good faith and with reasonable diligence to proceed to Settlement ("Delaying Party"), and if the other party is ready, willing and able to complete Settlement on the Settlement Date ("Non-Delaying Party") then the Delaying Party shall give as much notice as possible to the Non-Delaying Party and closing attorney and shall be entitled to a delay in Settlement. If the parties fail to complete Settlement and Closing within fourteen (14) days of the Settlement Date (including any amended Settlement Date agreed to in writing by the parties) or to otherwise extend the Settlement Date by written agreement, then the Delaying Party shall be in breach and the Non-Delaying Party may terminate this Contract and shall be entitled to enforce any remedies available to such party under this Contract for the breach.

11. **POSSESSION:** Unless otherwise provided herein, possession shall be delivered at Closing as defined in Paragraph 1(m). No alterations, excavations, tree or vegetation removal or other such activities may be done before possession is delivered

12. **OTHER PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS:** CHECK ALL STANDARD ADDENDA THAT MAY BE A PART OF THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO. ITEMIZE ALL OTHER ADDENDA TO THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO.

(NOTE: UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, REAL ESTATE BROKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DRAFT CONDITIONS OR CONTINGENCIES TO THIS CONTRACT.)

- Additional Provisions Addendum (Form 2A11-T)
 - Additional Signatures Addendum (Form 3-T)
 - Back-Up Contract Addendum (Form 2A1-T)
 - Contingent Sale Addendum (Form 2A2-T)
 - Loan Assumption Addendum (Form 2A6-T)
 - OTHER: _____
- Owners' Association Disclosure And Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Form 2A12-T)
 - Seller Financing Addendum (Form 2A5-T)
 - Short Sale Addendum (Form 2A14-T)

13. **ASSIGNMENTS:** This Contract may not be assigned without the written consent of all parties except in connection with a tax-deferred exchange, but if assigned by agreement, then this Contract shall be binding on the assignee and assignee's heirs and successors.

14. **TAX-DEFERRED EXCHANGE:** In the event Buyer or Seller desires to effect a tax-deferred exchange in connection with the conveyance of the Property, Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in effecting such exchange; provided, however, that the exchanging party shall be responsible for all additional costs associated with such exchange, and provided further, that a non-exchanging party shall not assume any additional liability with respect to such tax-deferred exchange. Buyer and Seller shall execute such additional documents, including assignment of this Contract in connection therewith, at no cost to the non-exchanging party, as shall be required to give effect to this provision.

15. **PARTIES:** This Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Buyer and Seller and their respective heirs, successors and assigns. As used herein, words in the singular include the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter genders, as appropriate.

16. **SURVIVAL:** If any provision herein contained which by its nature and effect is required to be observed, kept or performed after the Closing, it shall survive the Closing and remain binding upon and for the benefit of the parties hereto until fully observed, kept or performed.

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17. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no representations, inducements or other provisions other than those expressed herein. All changes, additions or deletions hereto must be in writing and signed by all parties. Nothing contained herein shall alter any agreement between a REALTOR® or broker and Seller or Buyer as contained in any listing agreement, buyer agency agreement, or any other agency agreement between them.

18. **CONDUCT OF TRANSACTION:** The parties agree that any action between them relating to the transaction contemplated by this Contract may be conducted by electronic means, including the signing of this Contract by one or more of them and any notice or communication given in connection with this Contract. Any written notice or communication may be transmitted to any mailing address, e-mail address or fax number set forth in the "Notice Information" section below. Any notice or communication to be given to a party herein, any any fee, deposit of other payment to be delivered to a party herein, may be given to the party or to such party's agent. Seller and Buyer agree that the "Notice Information" and "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Monies" sections below shall not constitute a material part of this Contract, and that the addition or modification of any information therein shall not constitute a rejection of an offer or the creation of a counteroffer.

19. **EXECUTION:** This Contract may be signed in multiple originals or counterparts, all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

20. **COMPUTATION OF DAYS/TIME OF DAY:** Unless otherwise provided, for purposes of this Contract, the term "days" shall mean consecutive calendar days, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, whether federal, state, local or religious. For the purposes of calculating days, the count of "days" shall begin on the day following the day upon which any act or notice as provided in this Contract was required to be performed or made. Any reference to a date or time of day shall refer to the date and/or time of day in the State of North Carolina.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, INC. AND THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION MAKE NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE LEGAL VALIDITY OR ADEQUACY OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS FORM IN ANY SPECIFIC TRANSACTION. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THIS FORM OR FEEL THAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR YOUR LEGAL NEEDS, YOU SHOULD CONSULT A NORTH CAROLINA REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY BEFORE YOU SIGN IT.

This offer shall become a binding contract on the Effective Date. Unless specifically provided otherwise, Buyer's failure to timely deliver any fee, deposit or other payment provided for herein shall not prevent this offer from becoming a binding contract, provided that any such failure shall give Seller certain rights to terminate the contract as described herein or as otherwise permitted by law.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Entity Buyer:
AMMCO, LLC
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

Entity Seller:
City of Hickory
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

By: Wayne Kirby

By: _____

Name: Wayne Kirby

Name: Rudy Wright

Title: Member Manager

Title: Mayor

Date: 9/28/15

Date: _____

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NOTICE INFORMATION

NOTE: INSERT THE ADDRESS AND/OR ELECTRONIC DELIVERY ADDRESS EACH PARTY AND AGENT APPROVES FOR THE RECEIPT OF ANY NOTICE CONTEMPLATED BY THIS CONTRACT. INSERT "N/A" FOR ANY WHICH ARE NOT APPROVED.

BUYER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 2332, Hickory, NC 28603

Buyer Fax#: N/A

Buyer E-mail: wayne@kmtire.net

SELLER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 398, Hickory, NC 28603

Seller Fax#: (828) 323-7476

Seller E-mail: dleonetti@hickorync.gov

SELLING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A

Acting as Buyer's Agent Seller's (sub)Agent Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Selling Agent:

Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Selling Agent Phone#:

Selling Agent Fax#:

Selling Agent E-mail:

LISTING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A

Acting as Seller's Agent Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Listing Agent:

Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Listing Agent Phone#:

Listing Agent Fax#:

Listing Agent E-mail:

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF MONIES

Seller: _____ ("Seller")

Buyer: _____ ("Buyer")

Property Address: _____ ("Property")

LISTING AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Listing Agent hereby acknowledges.

Date _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

SELLER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Seller hereby acknowledges.

Date: _____

Seller: _____
(Signature)

Date: _____

Seller: _____
(Signature)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an Initial Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the Initial Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____

Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

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OFFER TO PURCHASE AND CONTRACT - VACANT LOT/LAND

[Consult "Guidelines" (form 12G) for guidance in completing this form]

NOTE: This contract is intended for unimproved real property that Buyer will purchase only for personal use and does not have immediate plans to subdivide. It should not be used to sell property that is being subdivided unless the property has been platted, properly approved and recorded with the register of deeds as of the date of the contract. If Seller is Buyer's builder and the sale involves the construction of a new single family dwelling prior to closing, use the standard Offer to Purchase and Contract—New Construction (Form 800-T) or, if the construction is completed, use the Offer to Purchase and Contract (Form 2-T) with the New Construction Addendum (Form 2A3-T).

For valuable consideration, the receipt and legal sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Buyer offers to purchase and Seller upon acceptance agrees to sell and convey the Property on the terms and conditions of this Offer To Purchase and Contract and any addendum or modification made in accordance with its terms (together the "Contract").

1. TERMS AND DEFINITIONS: The terms listed below shall have the respective meaning given them as set forth adjacent to each term.

(a) **"Seller":** City of Hickory, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(b) **"Buyer":** AMMCO, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company

(c) **"Property":** The Property shall include all that real estate described below together with all appurtenances thereto including the improvements located thereon. **NOTE:** If the Property will include a manufactured (mobile) home(s), Buyer and Seller should consider including the Manufactured (Mobile) Home provision in the Additional Provisions Addendum (Standard Form 2A11-T) with this offer.

Street Address: 889 F Avenue SE

City: Hickory Zip: 28602

County: Catawba, North Carolina

(NOTE: Governmental authority over taxes, zoning, school districts, utilities and mail delivery may differ from address shown.)

Legal Description: (Complete ALL applicable)

Plat Reference: Lot/Unit 10, Block/Section N/A, Subdivision/Condominium J D Riddle Subdivision, as shown on Plat Book/Slide 1 at Page(s) 8

The PIN/PID or other identification number of the Property is: 3712-05-09-6253

Other description: N/A

Some or all of the Property may be described in Deed Book 2622 at Page 1874

(d) **"Purchase Price":**

\$ 4,000

\$ 0

\$ 200

\$ 0

\$ 0

\$ 0

\$ 3,800

paid in U.S. Dollars upon the following terms:

BY DUE DILIGENCE FEE made payable and delivered to Seller by the Effective Date

BY INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash personal check official bank check wire transfer, EITHER with this offer OR within five (5) days of the Effective Date of this Contract.

BY (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT made payable and delivered to Escrow Agent named in Paragraph 1(f) by cash or immediately available funds such as official bank check or wire transfer no later than _____, **TIME**

BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to said date.

BY ASSUMPTION of the unpaid principal balance and all obligations of Seller on the existing loan(s) secured by a deed of trust on the Property in accordance with the attached Loan Assumption Addendum (Standard Form 2A6-T).

BY SELLER FINANCING in accordance with the attached Seller Financing Addendum (Standard Form 2A5-T).

BALANCE of the Purchase Price in cash at Settlement (some or all of which may be paid with the proceeds of a new loan)

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Should Buyer fail to deliver either the Due Diligence Fee or any Initial Earnest Money Deposit by their due dates, or should any check or other funds paid by Buyer be dishonored, for any reason, by the institution upon which the payment is drawn, Buyer shall have one (1) banking day after written notice to deliver cash or immediately available funds to the payee. In the event Buyer does not timely deliver cash or immediately available funds, Seller shall have the right to terminate this Contract upon written notice to Buyer.

(e) **“Earnest Money Deposit”**: The Initial Earnest Money Deposit, the Additional Earnest Money Deposit and any other earnest monies paid in connection with this transaction, hereinafter collectively referred to as “Earnest Money Deposit”, shall be deposited and held in escrow by Escrow Agent until Closing, at which time it will be credited to Buyer, or until this Contract is otherwise terminated. In the event: (1) this offer is not accepted; or (2) a condition of any resulting contract is not satisfied, then the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event of breach of this Contract by Seller, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer upon Buyer’s request, but such return shall not affect any other remedies available to Buyer for such breach. In the event of breach of this Contract by Buyer, the Earnest Money Deposit shall be paid to Seller as liquidated damages and as Seller’s sole and exclusive remedy for such breach, but without limiting Seller’s rights under Paragraphs 2(c) and 2(d) for damage to the Property or Seller’s right to retain the Due Diligence Fee. It is acknowledged by the parties that payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller in the event of a breach of this Contract by Buyer is compensatory and not punitive, such amount being a reasonable estimation of the actual loss that Seller would incur as a result of such breach. The payment of the Earnest Money Deposit to Seller shall not constitute a penalty or forfeiture but actual compensation for Seller’s anticipated loss, both parties acknowledging the difficulty determining Seller’s actual damages for such breach. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer or Seller against the other to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

(f) **“Escrow Agent”** (insert name): John W. Crone, III

NOTE: In the event of a dispute between Seller and Buyer over the disposition of the Earnest Money Deposit held in escrow, a licensed real estate broker (“Broker”) is required by state law (and Escrow Agent, if not a Broker, hereby agrees) to retain the Earnest Money Deposit in the Escrow Agent’s trust or escrow account until Escrow Agent has obtained a written release from the parties consenting to its disposition or until disbursement is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction. Alternatively, if a Broker or an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina (“Attorney”) is holding the Earnest Money Deposit, the Broker or Attorney may deposit the disputed monies with the appropriate clerk of court in accordance with the provisions of N.C.G.S. §93A-12.

THE PARTIES AGREE THAT A REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE FIRM ACTING AS ESCROW AGENT MAY PLACE THE EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT IN AN INTEREST BEARING TRUST ACCOUNT AND THAT ANY INTEREST EARNED THEREON SHALL BE DISBURSED TO THE ESCROW AGENT MONTHLY IN CONSIDERATION OF THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY MAINTAINING SUCH ACCOUNT AND RECORDS ASSOCIATED THEREWITH.

(g) **“Effective Date”**: The date that: (1) the last one of Buyer and Seller has signed or initialed this offer or the final counteroffer, if any, and (2) such signing or initialing is communicated to the party making the offer or counteroffer, as the case may be. The parties acknowledge and agree that the initials lines at the bottom of each page of this Contract are merely evidence of their having reviewed the terms of each page, and that the complete execution of such initials lines shall not be a condition of the effectiveness of this Agreement.

(h) **“Due Diligence”**: Buyer’s opportunity during the Due Diligence Period to investigate the Property and the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including but not necessarily limited to the matters described in Paragraph 2 below, to decide whether Buyer, in Buyer’s sole discretion, will proceed with or terminate the transaction.

(i) **“Due Diligence Fee”**: A negotiated amount, if any, paid by Buyer to Seller with this Contract for Buyer’s right to conduct Due Diligence during the Due Diligence Period. It shall be the property of Seller upon the Effective Date and shall be a credit to Buyer at Closing. The Due Diligence Fee shall be non-refundable except in the event of a material breach of this Contract by Seller, or if this Contract is terminated under Paragraph 6(m) or Paragraph 9, or as otherwise provided in any addendum hereto. Buyer and Seller each expressly waive any right that they may have to deny the right to conduct Due Diligence or to assert any defense as to the enforceability of this Contract based on the absence or alleged insufficiency of any Due Diligence Fee, it being the intent of the

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parties to create a legally binding contract for the purchase and sale of the Property without regard to the existence or amount of any Due Diligence Fee.

(j) **“Due Diligence Period”**: The period beginning on the Effective Date and extending through 5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2015
TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE with regard to said date.

(k) **“Settlement”**: The proper execution and delivery to the closing attorney of all documents necessary to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract, including the deed, settlement statement, deed of trust and other loan or conveyance documents, and the closing attorney’s receipt of all funds necessary to complete such transaction.

(l) **“Settlement Date”**: The parties agree that Settlement will take place on December 15, 2015
(the “Settlement Date”), unless otherwise agreed in writing, at a time and place designated by Buyer.

(m) **“Closing”**: The completion of the legal process which results in the transfer of title to the Property from Seller to Buyer, which includes the following steps: (1) the Settlement (defined above); (2) the completion of a satisfactory title update to the Property following the Settlement; (3) the closing attorney’s receipt of authorization to disburse all necessary funds; and (4) recordation in the appropriate county registry of the deed(s) and deed(s) of trust, if any, which shall take place as soon as reasonably possible for the closing attorney after Settlement. Upon Closing, the proceeds of sale shall be disbursed by the closing attorney in accordance with the settlement statement and the provisions of Chapter 45A of the North Carolina General Statutes. If the title update should reveal unexpected liens, encumbrances or other title defects, or if the closing attorney is not authorized to disburse all necessary funds, then the Closing shall be suspended and the Settlement deemed delayed under Paragraph 10 (Delay in Settlement/Closing).

WARNING: The North Carolina State Bar has determined that the performance of most acts and services required for a closing constitutes the practice of law and must be performed only by an attorney licensed to practice law in North Carolina. State law prohibits unlicensed individuals or firms from rendering legal services or advice. Although non-attorney settlement agents may perform limited services in connection with a closing, they may not perform all the acts and services required to complete a closing. A closing involves significant legal issues that should be handled by an attorney. Accordingly it is the position of the North Carolina Bar Association and the North Carolina Association of REALTORS® that all buyers should hire an attorney licensed in North Carolina to perform a closing.

(n) **“Special Assessments”**: A charge against the Property by a governmental authority in addition to ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes, or by an owners’ association in addition to any regular assessment (dues), either of which may be a lien against the Property. A Special Assessment may be either proposed or confirmed.

“Proposed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that is under formal consideration but which has not been approved prior to Settlement.

“Confirmed Special Assessment”: A Special Assessment that has been approved prior to Settlement whether or not it is fully payable at time of Settlement.

2. BUYER’S DUE DILIGENCE PROCESS:

(a) **Loan**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to pursue qualification for and approval of the Loan if any.

(NOTE: Buyer is advised to consult with Buyer’s lender prior to signing this offer to assure that the Due Diligence Period allows sufficient time for the appraisal to be completed and for Buyer’s lender to provide Buyer sufficient information to decide whether to proceed with or terminate the transaction since the Loan is not a condition of the Contract.)

(b) **Property Investigation**: During the Due Diligence Period, Buyer or Buyer’s agents or representatives, at Buyer’s expense, shall be entitled to conduct all desired tests, surveys, appraisals, investigations, examinations and inspections of the Property as Buyer deems appropriate, including but NOT limited to the following:

- (i) **Soil And Environmental**: Reports to determine whether the soil is suitable for Buyer’s intended use and whether there is any environmental contamination, law, rule or regulation that may prohibit, restrict or limit Buyer’s intended use.
- (ii) **Septic/Sewer System**: Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing sewage system, (2) the costs and expenses to install a sewage system approved by an existing Improvement Permit, (3) the availability and

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expense to connect to a public or community sewer system, and/or (4) whether an Improvement Permit or written evaluation may be obtained from the County Health Department for a suitable ground absorption sewage system.

- (iii) **Water:** Any applicable investigation(s) to determine: (1) the condition of an existing private drinking water well, (2) the costs and expenses to install a private drinking water well approved by an existing Construction Permit, (3) the availability, costs and expenses to connect to a public or community water system, or a shared private well, and/or (4) whether a Construction Permit may be obtained from the County Health Department for a private drinking water well.
- (iv) **Review of Documents:** Review of the Declaration of Restrictive Covenants, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, Rules and Regulations, and other governing documents of any applicable owners' association and/or subdivision. If the Property is subject to regulation by an owners' association, it is recommended that Buyer review the completed Owners' Association And Addendum (Standard Form 2A12-T) provided by Seller prior to signing this offer. It is also recommended that the Buyer determine if the owners' association charges fees for confirming owners' association information and restrictive covenant compliance.
- (v) **Appraisals:** An appraisal of the Property
- (vi) **Survey:** A survey to determine whether the property is suitable for Buyer's intended use and the location of easements, setbacks, property boundaries and other issues which may or may not constitute title defects.
- (vii) **Zoning and Governmental Regulation:** Investigation of current or proposed zoning or other governmental regulation that may affect Buyer's intended use of the Property, adjacent land uses, planned or proposed road construction, and school attendance zones.
- (viii) **Flood Hazard:** Investigation of potential flood hazards on the Property, and/or any requirement to purchase flood insurance in order to obtain the Loan.
- (ix) **Utilities and Access:** Availability, quality, and obligations for maintenance of utilities including electric, gas, communication services, stormwater management, and means of access to the Property and amenities.
- (x) **Streets/Roads:** Investigation of the status of the street/road upon which the Property fronts as well as any other street/road used to access the Property, including: (1) whether any street(s)/road(s) are public or private, (2) whether any street(s)/road(s) designated as public are accepted for maintenance by the State of NC or any municipality, or (3) if private or not accepted for public maintenance, the consequences and responsibility for maintenance and the existence, terms and funding of any maintenance agreements.

NOTE: NC General Statutes Section 136-102.6(f) (the "Statute") requires that under circumstances described in the Statute, a buyer must be provided a subdivision streets disclosure statement prior to entering into an agreement to buy subdivided property described in the Statute. If Buyer or Seller are uncertain whether the sale of the Property described in this Contract is subject to the Statute, consult a NC real estate attorney.

(c) **Buyer's Obligation to Repair Damage:** Buyer shall, at Buyer's expense, promptly repair any damage to the Property resulting from any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors, but Buyer shall not be responsible for any damage caused by accepted practices applicable to any N.C. licensed professional performing reasonable appraisals, tests, surveys, examinations and inspections of the Property. This repair obligation shall survive any termination of this Contract.

(d) **Indemnity:** Buyer will indemnify and hold Seller harmless from all loss, damage, claims, suits or costs, which shall arise out of any contract, agreement, or injury to any person or property as a result of any activities of Buyer and Buyer's agents and contractors relating to the Property except for any loss, damage, claim, suit or cost arising out of pre-existing conditions of the Property and/or out of Seller's negligence or willful acts or omissions. This indemnity shall survive this Contract and any termination hereof.

(e) **Buyer's Right to Terminate:** Buyer shall have the right to terminate this Contract for any reason or no reason, by delivering to Seller written notice of termination (the "Termination Notice") during the Due Diligence Period (or any agreed-upon written extension of the Due Diligence Period), **TIME BEING OF THE ESSENCE**. If Buyer timely delivers the Termination Notice, this Contract shall be terminated and the Earnest Money Deposit shall be refunded to Buyer.

WARNING: If Buyer is not satisfied with the results or progress of Buyer's Due Diligence, Buyer should terminate this Contract, *prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period*, unless Buyer can obtain a written extension from Seller. SELLER IS NOT OBLIGATED TO GRANT AN EXTENSION. Although Buyer may continue to investigate the Property following the expiration of the Due Diligence Period, Buyer's failure to deliver a Termination Notice to Seller prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period shall constitute a waiver by Buyer of any right to terminate this Contract based on any matter relating to Buyer's Due Diligence. Provided however, following the Due Diligence Period, Buyer may still exercise a right to terminate if Seller fails to

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materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under paragraph 6 of this Contract or for any other reason permitted under the terms of this Contract or North Carolina law.

(f) **CLOSING SHALL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROPERTY IN ITS THEN EXISTING CONDITION UNLESS PROVISION IS OTHERWISE MADE IN WRITING.**

3. **BUYER REPRESENTATIONS:**

(a) **Loan:** Buyer does does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property. If Buyer is obtaining a new loan, Buyer intends to obtain a loan as follows: Conventional Other: _____ loan at a Fixed Rate Adjustable Rate in the principal amount of _____ for a term of _____ year(s), at an initial interest rate not to exceed _____ % per annum (the "Loan").

(NOTE: Buyer's obligations under this Contract are not conditioned upon obtaining or closing any loan. If Buyer represents that Buyer does not have to obtain a new loan in order to purchase the Property, Seller is advised, prior to signing this offer, to obtain documentation from Buyer which demonstrates that Buyer will be able to close on the Property without the necessity of obtaining a new loan.)

(b) **Other Property:** Buyer does does not have to sell or lease other real property in order to qualify for a new loan or to complete purchase. (NOTE: If Buyer does have to sell, Buyer and Seller should consider including a Contingent Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A2-T) with this offer.)

(c) **Performance of Buyer's Financial Obligations:** To the best of Buyer's knowledge, there are no other circumstances or conditions existing as of the date of this offer that would prohibit Buyer from performing Buyer's financial obligations in accordance with this Contract, except as may be specifically set forth herein.

(d) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Buyer authorizes the Buyer's lender(s), the parties' real estate agent(s) and closing attorney: (1) to provide this Contract to any appraiser employed by Buyer or by Buyer's lender(s); and (2) to release and disclose any buyer's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

4. **BUYER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Buyer shall be responsible for the payment of any fees charged by an owners' association for information relating to Buyer's Due Diligence other than those fees to be paid by Seller under Paragraph 8(j).

(b) **Responsibility for Proposed Special Assessments:** Buyer shall take title subject to all Proposed Special Assessments.

(c) **Responsibility for Certain Costs:** Buyer shall be responsible for all costs with respect to any loan obtained by Buyer, appraisal, title search, title insurance, recording the deed and for preparation and recording of all instruments required to secure the balance of the Purchase Price unpaid at Settlement.

5. **SELLER REPRESENTATIONS:**

(a) **Ownership:** Seller represents that Seller:
 has owned the Property for at least one year.
 has owned the Property for less than one year.
 does not yet own the Property.

(b) **Assessments:** To the best of Seller's knowledge there are no Proposed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None.

Seller warrants that there are no Confirmed Special Assessments except as follows (Insert "None" or the identification of such assessments, if any): None.

(c) **Owners' Association(s) and Dues:** To best of Seller's knowledge, ownership of the Property subjects does not subject Buyer to regulation by one or more owners' association(s) and governing documents, which impose various mandatory covenants, conditions and restrictions upon the Property and Buyer's enjoyment thereof, including but not limited to obligations to pay regular

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assessments (dues) and Special Assessments. If there is an owners' association, then an Owners' Association Disclosure and Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Standard Form 2A12-T) shall be completed by Seller, at Seller's expense, and must be attached as an addendum to this Contract

(d) **Sewage System Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that the sewage system described in the Improvement Permit attached hereto has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the system.

(e) **Private Drinking Water Well Permit:** (Applicable Not Applicable) Seller warrants that a private drinking water well has been installed, which representation survives Closing, but makes no further representations as to the well. (If well installed after July 1, 2008, attach Improvement Permit hereto.

6. **SELLER OBLIGATIONS:**

(a) **Evidence of Title and Payoff Statement(s):** Seller agrees to use best efforts to deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, copies of all title information in possession of or available to Seller, including but not limited to: title insurance policies, attorney's opinions on title, surveys, covenants, deeds, notes and deeds of trust, leases, and easements relating to the Property. Seller shall provide to the closing attorney all information needed to obtain a written payoff statement from any lender(s) regarding any security interest in the Property as soon as reasonably possible after the Effective Date, and Seller designates the closing attorney as Seller's agent with express authority to request and obtain on Seller's behalf payoff statements and/or short-pay statements from any such lender(s).

(b) **Authorization to Disclose Information:** Seller authorizes: (1) any attorney presently or previously representing Seller to release and disclose any title insurance policy in such attorney's file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys; (2) the Property's title insurer or its agent to release and disclose all materials in the Property's title insurer's (or title insurer's agent's) file to Buyer and both Buyer's and Seller's agents and attorneys, and (3) the closing attorney to release and disclose any seller's closing disclosure, settlement statement and/or disbursement summary, or any information therein, to the parties to this transaction, their real estate agent(s) and Buyer's lender(s).

(c) **Access to Property/Walk-Through Inspection:** Seller shall provide reasonable access to the Property (including working, existing utilities) through the earlier of Closing or possession by Buyer, including, but not limited to, allowing the Buyer an opportunity to conduct a final walk-through inspection of the Property. To the extent applicable, Seller shall also be responsible for timely clearing that portion of the Property required by the County to perform tests, inspections and/or evaluations to determine the suitability of the Property for a sewage system and/or private drinking water well.

(d) **Removal of Seller's Property:** Seller shall remove, by the date possession is made available to Buyer, all personal property which is not a part of the purchase and all garbage and debris from the Property.

(e) **Affidavit And Indemnification Agreement:** Seller shall furnish at Settlement an affidavit(s) and indemnification agreement(s) in form satisfactory to Buyer and Buyer's title insurer, if any, executed by Seller and any person or entity who has performed or furnished labor, services, materials or rental equipment to the Property within 120 days prior to the date of Settlement and who may be entitled to claim a lien against the Property as described in N.C.G.S. §44A-8 verifying that each such person or entity has been paid in full and agreeing to indemnify Buyer, Buyer's lender(s) and Buyer's title insurer against all loss from any cause or claim arising therefrom.

(f) **Designation of Lien Agent, Payment and Satisfaction of Liens:** If required by N.C.G.S. §44A-11.1, Seller shall have designated a Lien Agent, and Seller shall deliver to Buyer as soon as reasonably possible a copy of the appointment of Lien Agent. All deeds of trust, deferred ad valorem taxes, liens and other charges against the Property, not assumed by Buyer, must be paid and satisfied by Seller prior to or at Settlement such that cancellation may be promptly obtained following Closing. Seller shall remain obligated to obtain any such cancellations following Closing.

(g) **Good Title, Legal Access:** Seller shall execute and deliver a GENERAL WARRANTY DEED for the Property in recordable form no later than Settlement, which shall convey fee simple marketable and insurable title, without exception for mechanics' liens, and free of any other liens, encumbrances or defects, including those which would be revealed by a current and accurate survey of the Property, except: ad valorem taxes for the current year (prorated through the date of Settlement); utility easements and unviolated covenants, conditions or restrictions that do not materially affect the value of the Property; and such other liens,

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encumbrances or defects as may be assumed or specifically approved by Buyer in writing. The Property must have legal access to a public right of way.

(NOTE: Buyer's failure to terminate this Contract prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period as a result of any encumbrance or defect that is or would have been revealed by a title examination of the Property or a current and accurate survey shall not relieve Seller of any obligation under this subparagraph)

(NOTE: If any sale of the Property may be a "short sale," consideration should be given to attaching a Short Sale Addendum (Standard Form 2A14-T) as an addendum to this Contract.)

(h) **Deed, Taxes, and Fees:** Seller shall pay for preparation of a deed and all other documents necessary to perform Seller's obligations under this Contract, and for state and county excise taxes, and any deferred, discounted or rollback taxes, and local conveyance fees required by law. The deed is to be made to: AMMCO, LLC

(i) **Agreement to Pay Buyer Expenses:** Seller shall pay at Settlement \$ 0 toward any of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property, less any portion disapproved by Buyer's lender.

NOTE: Examples of Buyer's expenses associated with the purchase of the Property include, but are not limited to, discount points, loan origination fees, appraisal fees, attorney's fees, inspection fees, and "pre-pays" (taxes, insurance, owners' association dues, etc).

(j) **Owners' Association Fees/Charges:** Seller shall pay: (i) any fees required for confirming Seller's account payment information on owners' association dues or assessments for payment or proration; (ii) any transfer or similar fee imposed by the owners' association; and (iii) fees incurred by Seller in completing the Residential Property and Owners' Association Disclosure Statement.

(k) **Payment of Confirmed Special Assessments:** Seller shall pay all Confirmed Special Assessments, if any, provided that the amount thereof can be reasonably determined or estimated.

(l) **Late Listing Penalties:** All property tax late listing penalties, if any, shall be paid by Seller.

(m) **Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum** (Standard Form 2A12-T): If applicable, Seller shall provide the completed Owners' Association Disclosure and Condominium Resale Statement Addendum to Buyer on or before the Effective Date.

(n) **Seller's Failure to Comply or Breach:** If Seller fails to materially comply with any of Seller's obligations under this Paragraph 6 or Seller materially breaches this Contract, and Buyer elects to terminate this Contract as a result of such failure or breach, then the Earnest Money Deposit and the Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer and Seller shall reimburse to Buyer the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence without affecting any other remedies. If legal proceedings are brought by Buyer against the Seller to recover the Earnest Money Deposit, the Due Diligence Fee and/or the reasonable costs actually incurred by Buyer in connection with Buyer's Due Diligence, the prevailing party in the proceeding shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party reasonable attorney fees and court costs incurred in connection with the proceeding.

7. **PRORATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS:** Unless otherwise provided, the following items shall be prorated through the date of Settlement and either adjusted between the parties or paid at Settlement:

- (a) **Taxes on Real Property:** Ad valorem taxes and recurring governmental service fees levied with such taxes on real property shall be prorated on a calendar year basis;
- (b) **Rents:** Rents, if any, for the Property;
- (c) **Dues:** Owners' association regular assessments (dues) and other like charges.

8. **CONDITION OF PROPERTY AT CLOSING:** Buyer's obligation to complete the transaction contemplated by this Contract shall be contingent upon the Property being in substantially the same or better condition at Closing as on the date of this offer, reasonable wear and tear excepted.

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9. **RISK OF LOSS:** The risk of loss or damage by fire or other casualty prior to Closing shall be upon Seller. If the improvements on the Property are destroyed or materially damaged prior to Closing, Buyer may terminate this Contract by written notice delivered to Seller or Seller's agent and the Earnest Money Deposit and any Due Diligence Fee shall be refunded to Buyer. In the event Buyer does NOT elect to terminate this Contract, Buyer shall be entitled to receive, in addition to the Property, any of Seller's insurance proceeds payable on account of the damage or destruction applicable to the Property being purchased. Seller is advised not to cancel existing insurance on the Property until after confirming recordation of the deed.

10. **DELAY IN SETTLEMENT/CLOSING:** Absent agreement to the contrary in this Contract or any subsequent modification thereto, if a party is unable to complete Settlement by the Settlement Date but intends to complete the transaction and is acting in good faith and with reasonable diligence to proceed to Settlement ("Delaying Party"), and if the other party is ready, willing and able to complete Settlement on the Settlement Date ("Non-Delaying Party") then the Delaying Party shall give as much notice as possible to the Non-Delaying Party and closing attorney and shall be entitled to a delay in Settlement. If the parties fail to complete Settlement and Closing within fourteen (14) days of the Settlement Date (including any amended Settlement Date agreed to in writing by the parties) or to otherwise extend the Settlement Date by written agreement, then the Delaying Party shall be in breach and the Non-Delaying Party may terminate this Contract and shall be entitled to enforce any remedies available to such party under this Contract for the breach.

11. **POSSESSION:** Unless otherwise provided herein, possession shall be delivered at Closing as defined in Paragraph 1(m). No alterations, excavations, tree or vegetation removal or other such activities may be done before possession is delivered

12. **OTHER PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS:** CHECK ALL STANDARD ADDENDA THAT MAY BE A PART OF THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO. ITEMIZE ALL OTHER ADDENDA TO THIS CONTRACT, IF ANY, AND ATTACH HERETO.

(NOTE: UNDER NORTH CAROLINA LAW, REAL ESTATE BROKERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DRAFT CONDITIONS OR CONTINGENCIES TO THIS CONTRACT.)

- Additional Provisions Addendum (Form 2A11-T)
- Additional Signatures Addendum (Form 3-T)
- Back-Up Contract Addendum (Form 2A1-T)
- Contingent Sale Addendum (Form 2A2-T)
- Loan Assumption Addendum (Form 2A6-T)
- OTHER: _____

- Owners' Association Disclosure And Addendum For Properties Exempt from Residential Property Disclosure Statement (Form 2A12-T)
- Seller Financing Addendum (Form 2A5-T)
- Short Sale Addendum (Form 2A14-T)

13. **ASSIGNMENTS:** This Contract may not be assigned without the written consent of all parties except in connection with a tax-deferred exchange, but if assigned by agreement, then this Contract shall be binding on the assignee and assignee's heirs and successors.

14. **TAX-DEFERRED EXCHANGE:** In the event Buyer or Seller desires to effect a tax-deferred exchange in connection with the conveyance of the Property, Buyer and Seller agree to cooperate in effecting such exchange; provided, however, that the exchanging party shall be responsible for all additional costs associated with such exchange, and provided further, that a non-exchanging party shall not assume any additional liability with respect to such tax-deferred exchange. Buyer and Seller shall execute such additional documents, including assignment of this Contract in connection therewith, at no cost to the non-exchanging party, as shall be required to give effect to this provision.

15. **PARTIES:** This Contract shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of Buyer and Seller and their respective heirs, successors and assigns. As used herein, words in the singular include the plural and the masculine includes the feminine and neuter genders, as appropriate.

16. **SURVIVAL:** If any provision herein contained which by its nature and effect is required to be observed, kept or performed after the Closing, it shall survive the Closing and remain binding upon and for the benefit of the parties hereto until fully observed, kept or performed.

Buyer Initials ARK Seller Initials _____

17. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This Contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no representations, inducements or other provisions other than those expressed herein. All changes, additions or deletions hereto must be in writing and signed by all parties. Nothing contained herein shall alter any agreement between a REALTOR® or broker and Seller or Buyer as contained in any listing agreement, buyer agency agreement, or any other agency agreement between them.

18. **CONDUCT OF TRANSACTION:** The parties agree that any action between them relating to the transaction contemplated by this Contract may be conducted by electronic means, including the signing of this Contract by one or more of them and any notice or communication given in connection with this Contract. Any written notice or communication may be transmitted to any mailing address, e-mail address or fax number set forth in the "Notice Information" section below. Any notice or communication to be given to a party herein, any any fee, deposit of other payment to be delivered to a party herein, may be given to the party or to such party's agent. Seller and Buyer agree that the "Notice Information" and "Acknowledgment of Receipt of Monies" sections below shall not constitute a material part of this Contract, and that the addition or modification of any information therein shall not constitute a rejection of an offer or the creation of a counteroffer.

19. **EXECUTION:** This Contract may be signed in multiple originals or counterparts, all of which together constitute one and the same instrument.

20. **COMPUTATION OF DAYS/TIME OF DAY:** Unless otherwise provided, for purposes of this Contract, the term "days" shall mean consecutive calendar days, including Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, whether federal, state, local or religious. For the purposes of calculating days, the count of "days" shall begin on the day following the day upon which any act or notice as provided in this Contract was required to be performed or made. Any reference to a date or time of day shall refer to the date and/or time of day in the State of North Carolina.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, INC. AND THE NORTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION MAKE NO REPRESENTATION AS TO THE LEGAL VALIDITY OR ADEQUACY OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS FORM IN ANY SPECIFIC TRANSACTION. IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND THIS FORM OR FEEL THAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR YOUR LEGAL NEEDS, YOU SHOULD CONSULT A NORTH CAROLINA REAL ESTATE ATTORNEY BEFORE YOU SIGN IT.

This offer shall become a binding contract on the Effective Date. Unless specifically provided otherwise, Buyer's failure to timely deliver any fee, deposit or other payment provided for herein shall not prevent this offer from becoming a binding contract, provided that any such failure shall give Seller certain rights to terminate the contract as described herein or as otherwise permitted by law.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Buyer: _____

Seller: _____

Entity Buyer:
AMMCO, LLC
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

Entity Seller:
City of Hickory
(Name of LLC/Corporation/Partnership/Trust/etc.)

By: Wayne Kirby

By: _____

Name: Wayne Kirby

Name: Rudy Wright

Title: Member Manager

Title: Mayor

Date: 9/28/15

Date: _____

Buyer Initials WK

Seller Initials _____

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Buyer Initials JK Seller Initials _____

NOTICE INFORMATION

NOTE: INSERT THE ADDRESS AND/OR ELECTRONIC DELIVERY ADDRESS EACH PARTY AND AGENT APPROVES FOR THE RECEIPT OF ANY NOTICE CONTEMPLATED BY THIS CONTRACT. INSERT "N/A" FOR ANY WHICH ARE NOT APPROVED.

BUYER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 2332, Hickory, NC 28603

Buyer Fax#: N/A

Buyer E-mail: wayne@kmtire.net

SELLER NOTICE ADDRESS:

Mailing Address: PO Box 398, Hickory, NC 28603

Seller Fax#: (828) 323-7476

Seller E-mail: dleonetti@hickorync.gov

SELLING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A
Acting as [] Buyer's Agent [] Seller's (sub)Agent [] Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Selling Agent:
[] Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Selling Agent Phone#:

Selling Agent Fax#:

Selling Agent E-mail:

LISTING AGENT NOTICE ADDRESS:

Firm Name: N/A
Acting as [] Seller's Agent [] Dual Agent

Mailing Address:

Individual Listing Agent:
[] Acting as a Designated Dual Agent (check only if applicable)

License #:

Listing Agent Phone#:

Listing Agent Fax#:

Listing Agent E-mail:

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Buyer Initials [Signature] Seller Initials

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF MONIES

Seller: _____ ("Seller")

Buyer: _____ ("Buyer")

Property Address: _____ ("Property")

LISTING AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Listing Agent hereby acknowledges.

Date _____ Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

SELLER ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF DUE DILIGENCE FEE

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Seller of a Due Diligence Fee in the amount of \$ _____, receipt of which Seller hereby acknowledges.

Date: _____ Seller: _____
(Signature)

Date: _____ Seller: _____
(Signature)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF INITIAL EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an Initial Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the Initial Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____ Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

ESCROW AGENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF (ADDITIONAL) EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT

Paragraph 1(d) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract between Buyer and Seller for the sale of the Property provides for the payment to Escrow Agent of an (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit in the amount of \$ _____. Escrow Agent as identified in Paragraph 1(f) of the Offer to Purchase and Contract hereby acknowledges receipt of the (Additional) Earnest Money Deposit and agrees to hold and disburse the same in accordance with the terms of the Offer to Purchase and Contract.

Date: _____ Firm: _____

By: _____
(Signature)

(Print name)

Buyer Initials ARK Seller Initials _____

COUNCIL AGENDA MEMOS**To: City Manager's Office****From: Parks and Recreation****Contact Person: Mack McLeod, Parks and Recreation Director****Date: September 22, 2015****Re: Consideration of Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for the Construction of a Splash Pad at Kiwanis Park
REQUEST**

Consideration and approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Hickory, the Hickory Kiwanis Club and the Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County for the construction of a splash pad at Kiwanis Park

BACKGROUND

The City of Hickory and both the Hickory Kiwanis Club and the Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County engaged in a joint effort to construct the Zahra Baker All Children's Playground at Kiwanis Park, which opened in May of 2012. Both Kiwanis clubs now desire to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Kiwanis International through a local service project. Both Kiwanis clubs have agreed to partner with the City of Hickory to jointly fund the construction of a splash pad at Kiwanis Park that would be maintained by the City of Hickory as part of its operation.

ANALYSIS

The Memorandum of Understanding details the terms and conditions under which the splash pad will be constructed: 1) A splash pad management team, composed of representatives of both Kiwanis clubs and the City of Hickory, will be formed to oversee the project design and funding. 2) It is agreed upon by all parties that the splash pad will be constructed at Kiwanis Park, located at 805 6th Street SE. 3) The City of Hickory shall determine the overall budget for the splash pad. 4) The Kiwanis clubs shall contribute a minimum of \$100,000.00 towards the splash pad's construction. Contributions may include any direct monetary payments from club funds, donations received by the Kiwanis clubs, and any grant funds that may be received by the Kiwanis clubs. Any contributions made by the Kiwanis clubs beyond the minimum contribution will be applied to the City of Hickory's funding obligation of the splash pad. 5) The City of Hickory will deposit and give a receipt for all contributions to the splash pad project by any individual, company or organization. The Kiwanis clubs will receive a credit of their pledged amount of \$100,000.00 for any and all contributions to the splash pad project by any individual, company or organization, including the Kiwanis clubs. The City of Hickory will hold all contributions in a donations account. 6) The City of Hickory will be responsible for the construction of the splash pad and all expenses pertaining to its design and construction will be processed through the City of Hickory. 7) Should the Kiwanis clubs meet the \$100,000.00 minimum contribution level, the Kiwanis clubs shall receive naming rights to the splash pad. 8) The Kiwanis clubs will not maintain any rights regarding future decisions on the operation, use, maintenance, improvement, alteration or decommissioning of the splash pad.

The Memorandum of Understanding has been sent to the Hickory Kiwanis Club and the Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County for their respective approval and signature.

The Parks and Recreation Commission considered and approved the Memorandum of Understanding at their August 11, 2015 meeting and recommends its approval by City Council.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Hickory, the Hickory Kiwanis Club and the Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County for the construction of a splash pad at Kiwanis Park.

BUDGET ANALYSIS:

Budgetary Action

Is a Budget Amendment required?

Yes

No

LIST THE EXPENDITURE CODE:

Reviewed by:

[Signature]
Initiating Department Head

10.8.15
Date

[Signature]
Deputy City Attorney, A. Dula

10-16-15
Date

[Signature]
Asst. City Manager Rodney Miller

10-14-15
Date

[Signature]
Asst. City Manager, A. Surratt

10-15-15
Date

[Signature]
Finance Officer, Melissa Miller

10-13-15
Date

[Signature]
Purchasing Manager, Bo Weichel

10-12-15
Date

Date

Recommended for approval and placement on _____ Council agenda (as Consent, Public Hearing, Informational, Department Report, etc).

[Signature]
City Manager, M. Berry

Date

Memorandum of Understanding for the construction of Splash Pad at Kiwanis Park

This agreement made this ____ day of _____ 2015 by and between The City of Hickory, a North Carolina municipal corporation having a mailing address of P.O. Box 398, Hickory, North Carolina 28603, hereinafter referred to as "Hickory," or "City," and the Hickory Kiwanis Club, a not-for-profit organization, having a mailing address of P.O. Box 501, Hickory, North Carolina 28603, and Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County, a not-for-profit organization, having a mailing address of P.O. Box 3313, Hickory, North Carolina, 28603, hereinafter referred to collectively as "Kiwanis Clubs."

Witnesseth:

Whereas, the Kiwanis Clubs and the City engaged in a joint effort to construct the Zahra Baker All Children's Playground at Kiwanis Park; and

Whereas, The Kiwanis Clubs desire to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Kiwanis International through a local service project; and

Whereas, the Kiwanis Clubs and the City mutually desire and agree to a proposal to create a Splash Pad at the Zahra Baker All Children's Playground at Kiwanis Park; and

Whereas, the Splash Pad project will be jointly funded by the City and the Kiwanis Clubs and will be maintained by the City as part of its operations; and

Whereas, all parties have determined to have the terms and conditions under which the Splash Pad will be created detailed in this Memorandum of Understanding.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions, both general and special, as set forth herein, the parties, for themselves, their successors and assigns, agree as follows:

- 1) A Splash Pad management team, composed of representatives from the Kiwanis Clubs and the City, shall be formed to oversee the Splash Pad project design and shall be kept apprised of all aspects of the Splash Pad project, including planning, implementation, and completion. The team shall also help identify fundraising opportunities for the Kiwanis Clubs. The representatives of the City shall include both City Staff and Parks and Recreation Commission members.
- 2) The Splash Pad shall be constructed at Kiwanis Park, located at 805 6th Street SE, Hickory, North Carolina 28602.
- 3) City shall determine the overall budget for the Splash Pad.
- 4) Kiwanis Clubs shall contribute a minimum of \$100,000 (one-hundred thousand) towards construction of Splash Pad. Contributions may include direct monetary payments from Kiwanis Clubs Funds, donations received by Kiwanis Clubs, and grant funds obtained by Kiwanis Clubs. Any contributions made by Kiwanis Clubs beyond the minimum contribution shall be applied to the City's portion of the funding for the Splash Pad project.
- 5) City shall deposit and give a receipt for all contributions to the Splash Pad project by any individual, company or organization. The Kiwanis Clubs shall receive a credit on their pledged amount of \$100,000.00 for any and all contributions for the Splash Pad project by any individual, company or organization, including the Kiwanis Clubs. The City shall hold such contributions in a donations account.

- 6) City shall be responsible for the construction of Splash Pad at Kiwanis Park. All expenses pertaining to the design and construction of Splash Pad shall be processed through the City.
- 7) Contingent upon the Kiwanis Clubs meeting the \$100,000 (one-hundred thousand) minimum contribution level, Kiwanis Clubs shall receive naming rights to Splash Pad.
- 8) Kiwanis Clubs shall not maintain any rights or opportunities not contained within this Memorandum of Understanding regarding future decisions on the operation, use, maintenance, improvement, alteration, or decommissioning of Splash Pad.

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned have caused this Memorandum of Understanding to be duly executed this _____ day of _____, 2015

Signatures on Following Page

OWNER:

ATTEST:

CITY OF HICKORY,

A North Carolina Municipal Corporation

(SEAL)

Rudy Wright, Mayor

Debbie D. Miller, City Clerk

Approved as to form and legality on the 16th day of October, 2015.

Amata M. Dura
Attorney for the City of Hickory

User:

**HICKORY KIWANIS CLUB,
A North Carolina Not-for-Profit
Organization**

By: _____
Frank Ryan, President

**KIWANIS CLUB OF WESTERN
CATAWBA COUNTY,
A North Carolina Not-for-Profit**

Organization

By: _____
David Parsons, President

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CATAWBA

I, _____ a Notary Public of said county and state, certify that Debbie D. Miller personally came before me this day and acknowledged that she is City Clerk of the City of Hickory, a North Carolina Municipal Corporation, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the City Council of the City of Hickory, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name and by its Mayor, sealed with its corporate seal and attested by her as its City Clerk.

Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires: _____

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CATAWBA

I, _____, a Notary Public of said county and state, certify that Frank Ryan personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he/she is President of Hickory Kiwanis Club, a North Carolina not-for-profit organization, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its President, sealed with its corporate seal.

Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires: _____

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CATAWBA

I, _____, a Notary Public of said county and state, certify that David Parsons personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he is President of Kiwanis Club of Western Catawba County, a North Carolina not-for-profit organization, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its President, sealed with its corporate seal.

Witness my hand and seal this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Notary Public

(SEAL)

My Commission Expires: _____