

**CITY OF COMMERCE  
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT  
IN THE CITY OF COMMERCE, CALIFORNIA**

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018, by and between the CITY OF COMMERCE, a Municipal corporation (the "CITY") and South West Pump & Drilling, Inc. ("CONTRACTOR").

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the CITY duly advertised a Notice Inviting Bids to be submitted on or before April 9, 2018 for COM 7-02 Water Supply Well Construction (the "PROJECT");

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2018, the City Council accepted the bid of CONTRACTOR as the lowest responsible, responsive bid received and directed that a written contract be entered into with CONTRACTOR for the PROJECT.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I. CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS for the PROJECT shall consist of the Notice Inviting Sealed Bids, the Instructions to Bidders, Bidders Proposal, Addendums, General Specifications and all referenced specifications, details, standard drawings, and appendices, together with this Contract and all required bonds, and insurance certificates. All of the "Contract Documents" are intended to complement the other documents so that any work called for in one, and not mentioned in the others, or vice versa, is to be executed the same as if mentioned in all of said documents. The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS are incorporated herein by this reference and made part hereof as though they were fully set forth herein.

**ARTICLE II. THE WORK**

For and in consideration of the payments and agreements to be made and performed by CITY, CONTRACTOR agrees to furnish all materials and perform all work required for the PROJECT and to fulfill all other obligations as set forth in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS.

**ARTICLE III. COMPENSATION**

CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to receive and accept the total amount of \$753,512 which is based on performing all of the work shown on Bidders Proposal as full compensation for furnishing all materials, performing all work, and fulfilling all obligations hereunder. Said compensation shall cover all expenses, losses, damages, and consequences arising out of the nature of the work during its progress or prior to its acceptance including those for well and faithfully completing the work and the whole thereof in the manner and time specified in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, and also including those arising from actions of the elements, unforeseen difficulties or obstructions encountered in the prosecution of the work, suspension or discontinuance of the work, and all other unknowns or risks of any description connected with the work. CITY shall herein retain five percent (5%) of said price until said time as the provisions of Article XII herein have been met.

#### **ARTICLE IV. UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS**

CONTRACTOR hereby promises and agrees to comply with all of the provisions of Federal and/or State law as the same shall apply to this PROJECT pertaining to the employment of unauthorized aliens as defined therein. Should CONTRACTOR so employ unauthorized aliens for the performance of work and/or services covered by this Contract, and should the Federal Government impose sanctions against the CITY for use of unauthorized aliens, CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to, and shall, reimburse CITY for the cost of all such sanctions imposed, together with any and all costs, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the CITY in connection therewith.

#### **ARTICLE V. NOTICE TO PROCEED**

CONTRACTOR shall commence work on the date specified in the Notice to Proceed to be issued to CONTRACTOR by the CITY and shall complete work on the PROJECT within one hundred fifty (150) calendar days from the commencement thereof.

#### **ARTICLE VI. DISCOVERY OF HAZARDOUS OR LATENT CONDITIONS**

- A. CONTRACTOR shall, without disturbing the condition, notify CITY in writing as soon as CONTRACTOR, or any subcontractor, agent or employees have knowledge and reporting is possible, of the discovery of any of the following conditions:
1. The presence of any material that the CONTRACTOR believes is hazardous waste, as defined in Section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code;
  2. Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site differing from those indicated in the specifications; or,
  3. Unknown physical conditions at the site of any unusual nature, different materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in this Contract.
- B. Pending a determination by the CITY of appropriate action to be taken, CONTRACTOR shall provide security measures (e.g., fences) adequate to prevent the hazardous waste or physical conditions from causing bodily injury to any person.
- C. CITY shall promptly investigate the reported conditions. If CITY, through the City Engineer or his/her designee, and in the exercise of its sole discretion, determines that the conditions do materially differ, or do involve hazardous waste, and will cause a decrease or increase in the CONTRACTOR's cost of or time required for performance of any part of the work, then CITY shall issue a change order.
- D. In the event of a dispute between CITY and CONTRACTOR as to whether the conditions materially differ or involve hazardous waste or cause a decrease or increase in the CONTRACTOR's cost of, or time required for performance of any part of the work, CONTRACTOR shall not be excused from any schedule completion date, and shall proceed with all work to be performed under the Contract. CONTRACTOR shall retain any and all rights which pertain to the resolution of disputes and protests between the parties.

## **ARTICLE VII. INDEMNIFICATION**

CONTRACTOR shall hold harmless, defend, and indemnify CITY and its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses including attorney fees arising out of the performance of the work described herein, caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the CONTRACTOR, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, except where caused by the active negligence, sole negligence, or willful misconduct of the CITY.

## **ARTICLE VIII. PERFORMANCE BOND AND PAYMENT BOND (LABOR AND MATERIALS)**

CONTRACTOR, before commencing said PROJECT, shall furnish and file with CITY, a performance bond, or bonds in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price thereof conditioned upon the faithful performance of this Contract. CONTRACTOR shall also furnish and file with the CITY, a payment bond (labor and materials), or bonds, in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price thereof conditioned upon the payment of all labor and materials furnished in connection with the Contract.

## **ARTICLE IX. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Prior to commencing work hereunder, CONTRACTOR shall provide the CITY with proof of insurance naming the CITY and each of its directors, officers, agents, and employees as additional-named insureds on a policy or policies of insurance providing and maintaining the coverages set forth in the Insurance Schedule attached hereto as Exhibit A. CITY shall have the right to hold the policies and policy renewals, and CONTRACTOR shall promptly furnish to CITY all renewal notices and all receipts of paid premiums. In CITY may make proof of loss if not made promptly by CONTRACTOR.

## **ARTICLE X. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

The parties agree that it would be impractical and extremely difficult to fix the actual damages to the CITY in the event the PROJECT is not commenced and/or completed on or before the dates specified for commencement and completion of the PROJECT in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The parties have considered the facts of breach of this Contract and have agreed that the liquidated damages sum hereinafter set forth is reasonable as liquidated damages in the event of a breach, and that said sum shall be presumed to be the amount of the damages sustained by the CITY in the event of such a breach. The parties therefore agree that in the event such work is not begun and/or completed and accepted by the times so specified in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, the sum of Six thousand dollars (\$6,000) shall be presumed to be the amount of damages suffered by the CITY for each day's delay in the starting and/or completion and acceptance of said PROJECT after the dates specified in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS for the start and/or completion thereof, and CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to pay said sum of Six thousand dollars (\$6,000) as liquidated damages for each day of delay in the starting and/or completion and acceptance of said PROJECT beyond the date specified in the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. Any and all such liquidated damage assessed shall be done so in accordance with that certain edition of the Specification for Public Works Construction, currently in effect as of the date of this Contract. The payment of such

liquidated damages is not intended as a forfeiture or penalty within the meaning of California Civil Code § 3275 or § 3369.

**ARTICLE XI. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS**

CONTRACTOR hereby promises and agrees to comply with all of the provisions of all applicable state and federal laws in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Contract.

**ARTICLE XII. NOTICE OF COMPLETION**

Upon completion of the PROJECT and acceptance of same by the City Council, the CITY shall have cause to be recorded a Notice of Completion with the office of the Los Angeles County Recorder; and, after thirty-five (35) days from the date said Notice of Completion is recorded, the CITY shall release the funds retained pursuant to Article III hereof; provided there have been no mechanics' liens or stop notices filed against said work which have not been paid, withdrawn or eliminated as liens against said work.

**ARTICLE XIII. NON-ASSIGNABILITY**

This Contract shall not be assignable, either in whole or in part, by the CONTRACTOR.

**ARTICLE XIV. CUMULATIVE REMEDIES**

The provisions of this Contract are cumulative and in addition to and not in limitation of any rights or remedies available to CITY.

**ARTICLE XV. ATTORNEY'S FEES**

If either party to this Contract is required to initiate or defend, or is made a party to, any action or proceeding in any way connected with this agreement, the party prevailing in the final judgment in such action or proceeding, in addition to any other relief which may be granted, shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs. Attorney's fees shall include reasonable costs for investigating such action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have caused this Contract to be executed on the date first above written by their respective officers duly authorized in that behalf.

CITY OF COMMERCE

CONTRACTOR NAME.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Oralia Y. Rebollo, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Curtis McCalla, President

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lena Shumway  
City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Noel Tapia,  
City Attorney

## **EXHIBIT A INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

On or before beginning any of the work called for by any term of this Contract, CONTRACTOR, at its own cost and expense, shall carry, maintain for the duration of this Contract, and provide proof thereof that is acceptable to CITY of its procurement of the insurance specified below from insurers and under forms of insurance satisfactory in all respects to CITY. Such insurance shall not be in derogation of CONTRACTOR's obligations to provide indemnity under this Contract.

### **1. Comprehensive General Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance Coverage.**

CONTRACTOR shall carry and maintain Comprehensive General Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance which provides the following:

Minimum coverage: Bodily injury limits of \$5,000,000 for each person and \$5,000,000 for each occurrence; property damage limits of \$5,000,000 for each occurrence, \$5,000,000 aggregate.

Products/Completed Operations Hazard Insurance in an amount of not less than FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000);

A combined single limit policy with aggregate limits in an amount of not less than Five MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) shall be considered equivalent to the said required minimum limits set forth herein above.

If a Commercial General Liability Insurance form or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the work to be performed under this Contract or the general aggregate limit shall be at least twice the required occurrence limit. Such coverage shall include but shall not be limited to, protection against claims arising from bodily and personal injury, including death resulting there from, and damage to property resulting from activities contemplated under this Contract, including the use of owned and non-owned real property and automobiles. Insurance coverage shall not be subject to any type of pollution exclusion or owned property exclusions.

### **2. Automobile Liability.**

CONTRACTOR shall carry and maintain Automobile Liability Insurance which provides a minimum coverage of at least \$5,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage.

### **3. Worker's Compensation.**

CONTRACTOR shall carry and maintain worker's compensation in the amount of \$1,000,000 as required by the California Labor Code for all persons employed directly or indirectly in connection with this Contract by CONTRACTOR. To the extent that CONTRACTOR utilizes any subcontractor for the performance of any part of the work under this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall require and assure that such subcontractor also carry and maintain worker's compensation as required by the California Labor Code for all persons directly or indirectly in connection with this Contract.

4. **Additional Insureds.**

The CITY, its officers, agents and employees must be named as additional insureds or as additional loss payees in all insurance policies required by this Contract. An endorsement to this effect shall be delivered to CITY prior to the commencement of any work. Satisfaction of any deductible requirement shall be the responsibility of CONTRACTOR. Such insurance shall be primary and noncontributory with any other insurance maintained by the CITY.

5. **Notice of Cancellation.**

CONTRACTOR agrees to oblige its insurance agent or broker and insures to provide CITY with a thirty (30) day notice of cancellation (except for nonpayment for which a ten (10) day notice is required) or nonrenewal of coverage for each required coverage.

6. **Severability Clause.**

Each of the policies of insurance shall contain a clause substantially as follows:

The insurance afforded by this policy applies separately to each insured against whom a claim or suit is made or suit is brought, except with respect to the limit of the insurer's liability.

7. **Qualifications of Insurer.**

All policies of insurance shall be issued by an insurance company acceptable to CITY and authorized to issue said policy in the State of California.

8. **Approval of Insurer.**

The insurance carrier providing the insurance shall be chosen by CONTRACTOR subject to approval by CITY, provided that such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

9. **Payment of Premiums.**

All premiums on insurance policies shall be paid by CONTRACTOR making payment, when due, directly to the insurance carrier, or in a manner agreed to by CITY.

10. **Evidence of Insurance and Claims.**

CONTRACTOR shall provide certificates of insurance to CITY as evidence of insurance coverage required herein, along with a waiver of subrogation endorsement for workers' compensation. The Agency's Risk Manager must approve insurance certificates and endorsements prior to commencement of performance. Current certification of insurance shall be kept on file with the CITY at all times during the term of this Contract. The CITY reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, at any time.

**END OF SECTION**