### Barton Village, Inc. Regular Trustees Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023 6:00 pm Barton Village Memorial Hall

#### Agenda

- A. Call to Order
- B. Changes to the Agenda/Additions or Deletions
- C. Privilege of the Floor

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- D. Aldrich & Elliott Wastewater Facility Upgrades
  - a. Engineering
  - b. State Revolving Loan Fund Application
- E. Memphremagog Watershed Association Trustee Support of Stormwater watershed project
- F. Minutes from Regular Board of Trustees Meeting May 22, 2023
- G. Minutes from the Special Board of Trustees Meeting June 5, 2023

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- H. Results of Smoke Testing/Wastewater Maintenance Tim Dagesse
- I. Highway Safety Improvement Grant Application
- J. Office Hours
- K. Management/Staff Report (written report only)

#### **OTHER ITEMS:**

L. Other Business

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:**

- M. NONE
- N. Adjourn

Date of Next Regular Board Meeting: June 26, 2023

#### Barton Village, Inc.

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#### Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees

From: Crystal Currier Date: 06/12/2023

Subject: Wastewater Infrastructure – Engineering/State Revolving Loan Fund

Agenda: Agenda Item "D"

The wastewater infrastructure projects are being! Michael Mainer, Project Engineer from Aldrich & Elliott, PC will be present to go over two documents:

- 1. Engineering Services Agreement
- 2. State Revolving Loan Fund Application

Both documents are attached for your review; however, the documents are quite long. For purposes of the Engineering Services Agreement, most of the length is due to language that the State requires to meet a specific format.

Mr. Mainer will be looking to get both documents executed at the meeting (see instructions below) so that work can begin and hopefully Barton will get funding to help with the cost.

<u>Proposed Motion</u>: Motion to accept the Engineering Services Agreement and the State Revolving Loan Fund Applications as presented.

#### Instructions:

- 1. Engineering Services Agreement -Two places for the board's signature. The first is near the upper left on page 22. The second is near the bottom of page 46. Only one person from the board has to sign, and it is usually the chair.
- 2. State Revolving Loan Fund Application All of the board members need to sign on page 13. Tim is listed as the authorized representative, so he will also need to sign at the very bottom.

# AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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## AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND ENGINEER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS IS AN AGREEMENT effective as of	June 12, 2023	("Effective Date") between		
Barton Village, Inc.	·	("Owner") and		
Aldrich + Elliott PC		("Engineer").		
Owner's Project, of which Engineer's services under this Agreement are a part, is generally identified as follows: Barton Wastewater Improvements				
		("Project").		
Other terms used in this Agreement are defined in Article 7.				
Engineer's services under this Agreement are generally identified as follows:				
Preliminary engineering for WWTF Improvements Project				

Owner and Engineer further agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1 - SERVICES OF ENGINEER

- 1.01 Scope
  - A. Engineer shall provide, or cause to be provided, the services set forth herein and in Exhibit A.

#### **ARTICLE 2 - OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- 2.01 General
  - A. Owner shall have the responsibilities set forth herein and in Exhibit B.
  - B. Owner shall pay Engineer as set forth in Article 4 and Exhibit C.
  - C. Owner shall be responsible for all requirements and instructions that it furnishes to Engineer pursuant to this Agreement, and for the accuracy and completeness of all programs, reports, data, and other information furnished by Owner to Engineer pursuant to this Agreement. Engineer may use and rely upon such requirements, programs, instructions, reports, data, and information in performing or furnishing services under this Agreement, subject to any express limitations or reservations applicable to the furnished items.
  - D. Owner shall give prompt written notice to Engineer whenever Owner observes or otherwise becomes aware of:
    - 1. any development that affects the scope or time of performance of Engineer's services;
    - 2. the presence at the Site of any Constituent of Concern; or

3. any relevant, material defect or nonconformance in: (a) Engineer's services, (b) the Work, (c) the performance of any Constructor, or (d) Owner's performance of its responsibilities under this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE 3 - SCHEDULE FOR RENDERING SERVICES

#### 3.01 *Commencement*

A. Engineer is authorized to begin rendering services as of the Effective Date.

#### 3.02 Time for Completion

- A. Engineer shall complete its obligations within a reasonable time. Specific periods of time for rendering services, or specific dates by which services are to be completed, are provided in Exhibit A, and are hereby agreed to be reasonable.
- B. If, through no fault of Engineer, such periods of time or dates are changed, or the orderly and continuous progress of Engineer's services is impaired, or Engineer's services are delayed or suspended, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, shall be adjusted equitably.
- C. If Owner authorizes changes in the scope, extent, or character of the Project or Engineer's services, then the time for completion of Engineer's services, and the rates and amounts of Engineer's compensation, shall be adjusted equitably.
- D. Owner shall make decisions and carry out its other responsibilities in a timely manner so as not to delay the Engineer's performance of its services.
- E. If Engineer fails, through its own fault, to complete the performance required in this Agreement within the time set forth, as duly adjusted, then Owner shall be entitled, as its sole remedy, to the recovery of direct damages, if any, resulting from such failure.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - INVOICES AND PAYMENTS**

#### 4.01 Invoices

A. Preparation and Submittal of Invoices: Engineer shall prepare invoices in accordance with its standard invoicing practices and the terms of Exhibit C. Invoices must include a breakdown of services provided. Engineer shall submit its invoices to Owner on a monthly basis. Invoices are due and payable within 30 days of receipt.

#### 4.02 Payments

- A. Application to Interest and Principal: Payment will be credited first to any interest owed to Engineer and then to principal.
- B. Failure to Pay: If Owner fails to make any payment due Engineer for services and expenses within 30 days after receipt of Engineer's invoice, then:
  - 1. amounts due Engineer will be increased at the rate of 1.0% per month (or the maximum rate of interest permitted by law, if less) from said thirtieth day; and

- Engineer may, after giving seven days written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement until Owner has paid in full all amounts due for services, expenses, and other related charges. Owner waives any and all claims against Engineer for any such suspension.
- C. Disputed Invoices: If Owner disputes an invoice, either as to amount or entitlement, then Owner shall promptly advise Engineer in writing of the specific basis for doing so, may withhold only that portion so disputed, and must pay the undisputed portion subject to the terms of Paragraph 4.01.
- D. Sales or Use Taxes: If after the Effective Date any governmental entity takes a legislative action that imposes additional sales or use taxes on Engineer's services or compensation under this Agreement, then Engineer may invoice such additional sales or use taxes for reimbursement by Owner. Owner shall reimburse Engineer for the cost of such invoiced additional sales or use taxes; such reimbursement shall be in addition to the compensation to which Engineer is entitled under the terms of Exhibit C.

#### ARTICLE 5 - OPINIONS OF COST

#### 5.01 Opinions of Probable Construction Cost

Engineer's opinions (if any) of probable Construction Cost are to be made on the basis of Engineer's experience, qualifications, and general familiarity with the construction industry. However, because Engineer has no control over the cost of labor, materials, equipment, or services furnished by others, or over contractors' methods of determining prices, or over competitive bidding or market conditions, Engineer cannot and does not guarantee that proposals, bids, or actual Construction Cost will not vary from opinions of probable Construction Cost prepared by Engineer. If Owner requires greater assurance as to probable Construction Cost, then Owner agrees to obtain an independent cost estimate. Opinions of Probable Cost and any revisions thereof should reflect compliance with American Iron & Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference.

#### 5.02 Designing to Construction Cost Limit

A. If a Construction Cost limit is established between Owner and Engineer, such Construction Cost limit and a statement of Engineer's rights and responsibilities with respect thereto will be specifically set forth in Exhibit F to this Agreement.

#### 5.03 Opinions of Total Project Costs

- A. The services, if any, of Engineer with respect to Total Project Costs shall be limited to assisting the Owner in tabulating the various categories that comprise Total Project Costs. Engineer assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of any opinions of Total Project Costs.
- B. Opinions of Total Project Costs and any revisions thereof should reflect compliance with American Iron & Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference.

#### ARTICLE 6 - GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

#### 6.01 Standards of Performance

- A. Standard of Care: The standard of care for all professional engineering and related services performed or furnished by Engineer under this Agreement will be the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the subject profession practicing under similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality. Engineer makes no warranties, express or implied, under this Agreement or otherwise, in connection with any services performed or furnished by Engineer.
- B. *Technical Accuracy:* Owner shall not be responsible for discovering deficiencies in the technical accuracy of Engineer's services. Engineer shall correct deficiencies in technical accuracy without additional compensation, unless such corrective action is directly attributable to deficiencies in Owner-furnished information.
- C. Consultants: Engineer may retain such Consultants as Engineer deems necessary to assist in the performance or furnishing of the services, subject to reasonable, timely, and substantive objections by Owner.
- D. Reliance on Others: Subject to the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 6.01.A, Engineer and its Consultants may use or rely upon design elements and information ordinarily or customarily furnished by others, including, but not limited to, specialty contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, and the publishers of technical standards.
- E. Compliance with Laws and Regulations, and Policies and Procedures:
  - 1. Engineer and Owner shall comply with applicable Laws and Regulations.
  - 2. Engineer shall comply with any and all policies, procedures, and instructions of Owner that are applicable to Engineer's performance of services under this Agreement and that Owner provides to Engineer in writing, subject to the standard of care set forth in Paragraph 6.01.A, and to the extent compliance is not inconsistent with professional practice requirements.
  - 3. This Agreement is based on Laws and Regulations and Owner-provided written policies and procedures as of the Effective Date. The following may be the basis for modifications to Owner's responsibilities or to Engineer's scope of services, times of performance, or compensation:
    - a. changes after the Effective Date to Laws and Regulations;
    - b. the receipt by Engineer after the Effective Date of Owner-provided written policies and procedures;
    - c. changes after the Effective Date to Owner-provided written policies or procedures.
- F. Engineer shall not be required to sign any document, no matter by whom requested, that would result in the Engineer having to certify, guarantee, or warrant the existence of conditions whose existence the Engineer cannot ascertain. Owner agrees not to make

- resolution of any dispute with the Engineer or payment of any amount due to the Engineer in any way contingent upon the Engineer signing any such document.
- G. The general conditions for any construction contract documents prepared hereunder are to be EJCDC® C-700 "Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract" (2013 Edition), prepared by the Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee, unless expressly indicated otherwise in Exhibit J or elsewhere in this Agreement.
- H. Engineer shall not at any time supervise, direct, control, or have authority over any Constructor's work, nor shall Engineer have authority over or be responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto, for security or safety at the Site, nor for any failure of a Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to that Constructor's furnishing and performing of its work. Engineer shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Constructor.
- I. Engineer neither guarantees the performance of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's, failure to furnish and perform the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.
- J. Engineer shall not be responsible for any decision made regarding the Construction Contract Documents, or any application, interpretation, clarification, or modification of the Construction Contract Documents, other than those made by Engineer or its Consultants.
- K. Engineer is not required to provide and does not have any responsibility for surety bonding or insurance-related advice, recommendations, counseling, or research, or enforcement of construction insurance or surety bonding requirements.
- L. Engineer's services do not include providing legal advice or representation.
- M. Engineer's services do not include (1) serving as a "municipal advisor" for purposes of the registration requirements of Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) or the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission, or (2) advising Owner, or any municipal entity or other person or entity, regarding municipal financial products or the issuance of municipal securities, including advice with respect to the structure, timing, terms, or other similar matters concerning such products or issuances.
- N. While at the Site, Engineer, its Consultants, and their employees and representatives shall comply with the applicable requirements of Contractor's and Owner's safety programs of which Engineer has been informed in writing.

#### 6.02 Design Without Construction Phase Services

A. Engineer shall be responsible only for those Construction Phase services expressly required of Engineer in Exhibit A, Paragraph A1.05. With the exception of such expressly required services, Engineer shall have no design, Shop Drawing review, or other obligations during construction, and Owner assumes all responsibility for the application and interpretation of the Construction Contract Documents, review and response to

Contractor claims, Construction Contract administration, processing of Change Orders and submittals, revisions to the Construction Contract Documents during construction, construction observation and review, review of Contractor's payment applications, and all other necessary Construction Phase administrative, engineering, and professional services. Owner waives all claims against the Engineer that may be connected in any way to Construction Phase administrative, engineering, or professional services except for those services that are expressly required of Engineer in Exhibit A.

#### 6.03 Use of Documents

- A. All Documents are instruments of service, and Engineer shall retain an ownership and property interest therein (including the copyright and the right of reuse at the discretion of the Engineer) whether or not the Project is completed.
- B. If Engineer is required to prepare or furnish Drawings or Specifications under this Agreement, Engineer shall deliver to Owner at least one original printed record version of such Drawings and Specifications, signed and sealed according to applicable Laws and Regulations.
- Owner may make and retain copies of Documents for information and reference in connection with the use of the Documents on the Project. Engineer grants Owner a limited license to use the Documents on the Project, extensions of the Project, and for related uses of the Owner, subject to receipt by Engineer of full payment due and owing for all services relating to preparation of the Documents, and subject to the following limitations: (1) Owner acknowledges that such Documents are not intended or represented to be suitable for use on the Project unless completed by Engineer, or for use or reuse by Owner or others on extensions of the Project, on any other project, or for any other use or purpose, without written verification or adaptation by Engineer; (2) any such use or reuse, or any modification of the Documents, without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer, as appropriate for the specific purpose intended, will be at Owner's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to Engineer or to its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Consultants; (3) Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Consultants from all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising out of or resulting from any use, reuse, or modification of the Documents without written verification, completion, or adaptation by Engineer; and (4) such limited license to Owner shall not create any rights in third parties.
- D. If Engineer at Owner's request verifies the suitability of the Documents, completes them, or adapts them for extensions of the Project or for any other purpose, then Owner shall compensate Engineer at rates or in an amount to be agreed upon by Owner and Engineer.

#### 6.04 Electronic Transmittals

A. Owner and Engineer may transmit, and shall accept, Project-related correspondence, Documents, text, data, drawings, information, and graphics, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website, in accordance with a mutually agreeable protocol.

- B. If this Agreement does not establish protocols for electronic or digital transmittals, then Owner and Engineer **may** 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.

#### 6.05 Insurance

- A. Engineer shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit G. Engineer shall cause Owner to be listed as an additional insured on any applicable general liability insurance policy carried by Engineer.
- B. Owner shall procure and maintain insurance as set forth in Exhibit G. Owner shall cause Engineer and its Consultants to be listed as additional insureds on any general liability policies carried by Owner, which are applicable to the Project.
- C. Owner shall require Contractor to purchase and maintain policies of insurance covering workers' compensation, general liability, motor vehicle damage and injuries, and other insurance necessary to protect Owner's and Engineer's interests in the Project. Owner shall require Contractor to cause Engineer and its Consultants to be listed as additional insureds with respect to such liability insurance purchased and maintained by Contractor for the Project.
- D. Owner and Engineer shall each deliver to the other certificates of insurance evidencing the coverages indicated in Exhibit G. Such certificates shall be furnished prior to commencement of Engineer's services and at renewals thereafter during the life of the Agreement.
- E. All policies of property insurance relating to the Project, including but not limited to any builder's risk policy, shall allow for waiver of subrogation rights and 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 insured thereunder or against Engineer or its Consultants. Owner and Engineer waive all rights against each other, Contractor, the Consultants, 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 any builder's risk policy and any other property insurance relating to the Project. Owner and Engineer shall take appropriate measures in other Project-related contracts to secure waivers of rights consistent with those set forth in this paragraph.
- F. All policies of insurance shall contain a provision or endorsement that the coverage afforded will not be canceled or reduced in limits by endorsement, and that renewal will not be refused, until at least 10 days prior written notice has been given to the primary insured. Upon receipt of such notice, the receiving party shall promptly forward a copy of the notice to the other party to this Agreement.

G. At any time, Owner may request that Engineer or its Consultants, at Owner's sole expense, provide additional insurance coverage, increased limits, or revised deductibles that are more protective than those specified in Exhibit G. If so requested by Owner, and if commercially available, Engineer shall obtain and shall require its Consultants to obtain such additional insurance coverage, different limits, or revised deductibles for such periods of time as requested by Owner, and Exhibit G will be supplemented to incorporate these requirements.

#### 6.06 Suspension and Termination

#### A. Suspension:

- 1. *By Owner*: Owner may suspend the Project for up to 90 days upon seven days written notice to Engineer.
- 2. By Engineer: Engineer may, after giving seven days written notice to Owner, suspend services under this Agreement if Owner has failed to pay Engineer for invoiced services and expenses, as set forth in Paragraph 4.02.B, or in response to the presence of Constituents of Concern at the Site, as set forth in Paragraph 6.10.D.
- B. *Termination*: The obligation to provide further services under this Agreement may be terminated:

#### 1. For cause,

a. by either party upon 30 days written notice in the event of substantial failure by the other party to perform in accordance with the terms hereof through no fault of the terminating party.

#### b. by Engineer:

- upon seven days written notice if Owner demands that Engineer furnish or perform services contrary to Engineer's responsibilities as a licensed professional; or
- 2) upon seven days written notice if the Engineer's services for the Project are delayed or suspended for more than 90 days for reasons beyond Engineer's control, or as the result of the presence at the Site of undisclosed Constituents of Concern, as set forth in Paragraph 6.10.D.
- 3) Engineer shall have no liability to Owner on account of such termination.
- c. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement will not terminate under Paragraph 6.06.B.1.a if the party receiving such notice begins, within seven days of receipt of such notice, to correct its substantial failure to perform and proceeds diligently to cure such failure within no more than 30 days of receipt thereof; provided, however, that if and to the extent such substantial failure cannot be reasonably cured within such 30 day period, and if such party has diligently attempted to cure the same and thereafter continues diligently to cure the same,

then the cure period provided for herein shall extend up to, but in no case more than, 60 days after the date of receipt of the notice.

- 2. For convenience, by Owner effective upon Engineer's receipt of notice from Owner.
- C. Effective Date of Termination: The terminating party under Paragraph 6.06.B may set the effective date of termination at a time up to 30 days later than otherwise provided to allow Engineer to demobilize personnel and equipment from the Site, to complete tasks whose value would otherwise be lost, to prepare notes as to the status of completed and uncompleted tasks, and to assemble Project materials in orderly files.

#### D. Payments Upon Termination:

- In the event of any termination under Paragraph 6.06, Engineer will be entitled to invoice Owner and to receive full payment for all services performed or furnished in accordance with this Agreement and all Reimbursable Expenses incurred through the effective date of termination. Upon making such payment, Owner shall have the limited right to the use of Documents, at Owner's sole risk, subject to the provisions of Paragraph 6.03.
- In the event of termination by Owner for convenience or by Engineer for cause, Engineer shall be entitled, in addition to invoicing for those items identified in Paragraph 6.06.D.1, to invoice Owner and receive payment of a reasonable amount for services and expenses directly attributable to termination, both before and after the effective date of termination, such as reassignment of personnel, costs of terminating contracts with Engineer's Consultants, and other related close-out costs, using methods and rates for Additional Services as set forth in Exhibit C.

#### 6.07 *Controlling Law*

A. This Agreement is to be governed by the Laws and Regulations of the state in which the Project is located.

#### 6.08 Successors, Assigns, and Beneficiaries

- A. Owner and Engineer are hereby bound and the successors, executors, administrators, and legal representatives of Owner and Engineer (and to the extent permitted by Paragraph 6.08.B the assigns of Owner and Engineer) are hereby bound to the other party to this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators and legal representatives (and said assigns) of such other party, in respect of all covenants, agreements, and obligations of this Agreement.
- B. Neither Owner nor Engineer may assign, sublet, or transfer any rights under or interest (including, but without limitation, money that is due or may become due) in this Agreement without the written consent of the other party, except to the extent that any assignment, subletting, or transfer is mandated by law. 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 this Agreement.

- C. Unless expressly provided otherwise in this Agreement:
  - Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create, impose, or give rise to any duty owed by Owner or Engineer to any Constructor, other third-party individual or entity, or to any surety for or employee of any of them.
  - 2. All duties and responsibilities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement will be for the sole and exclusive benefit of Owner and Engineer and not for the benefit of any other party.
  - 3. Owner agrees that the substance of the provisions of this Paragraph 6.08.C shall appear in the Construction Contract Documents.

#### 6.09 Dispute Resolution

- A. Owner and Engineer agree to negotiate all disputes between them in good faith for a period of 30 days from the date of notice prior to invoking the other provisions of this Agreement, or exercising their rights at law.
- B. If the parties fail to resolve a dispute through negotiation under Paragraph 6.09.A, then either or both may invoke the procedures of Exhibit H. If Exhibit H is not included, or if no dispute resolution method is specified in Exhibit H, then the parties may exercise their rights at law.

#### 6.10 Environmental Condition of Site

- A. Owner represents to Engineer that as of the Effective Date to the best of Owner's knowledge no Constituents of Concern, other than those disclosed in writing to Engineer, exist at or adjacent to the Site.
- B. If Engineer encounters or learns of an undisclosed Constituent of Concern at the Site, then Engineer shall notify (1) Owner and (2) appropriate governmental officials if Engineer reasonably concludes that doing so is required by applicable Laws or Regulations.
- C. It is acknowledged by both parties that Engineer's scope of services does not include any services related to unknown or undisclosed Constituents of Concern. If Engineer or any other party encounters, uncovers, or reveals an undisclosed Constituent of Concern, then Owner shall promptly determine whether to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such condition or take any necessary corrective action.
- D. If investigative or remedial action, or other professional services, are necessary with respect to undisclosed Constituents of Concern, or if investigative or remedial action beyond that reasonably contemplated is needed to address a disclosed or known Constituent of Concern, then Engineer may, at its option and without liability for consequential or any other damages, suspend performance of services on the portion of the Project affected thereby until such portion of the Project is no longer affected.
- E. If the presence at the Site of undisclosed Constituents of Concern adversely affects the performance of Engineer's services under this Agreement, then the Engineer shall have the option of (1) accepting an equitable adjustment in its compensation or in the time of completion, or both; or (2) terminating this Agreement for cause on seven days notice.

F. Owner acknowledges that Engineer is performing professional services for Owner and that Engineer is not and shall not be required to become an "owner," "arranger," "operator," "generator," or "transporter" of hazardous substances, as defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, which are or may be encountered at or near the Site in connection with Engineer's activities under this Agreement.

#### 6.11 Indemnification and Mutual Waiver

- A. Indemnification by Engineer: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Engineer shall indemnify and hold harmless Owner, and Owner's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, consultants, and employees, from losses, damages, and judgments (including reasonable consultants' and attorneys' fees and expenses) arising from third-party claims or actions relating to the Project, provided that any such claim, action, loss, damages, or judgment 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 Engineer or Engineer's officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, or Consultants.
- B. *Indemnification by Owner:* Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Consultants as required by Laws and Regulations.
- C. Environmental Indemnification: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless Engineer and its officers, directors, members, partners, agents, employees, and Consultants from all claims, costs, losses, damages, actions, and judgments (including reasonable consultants' and attorneys fees and expenses) caused by, arising out of, relating to, or resulting from a Constituent of Concern at, on, or under the Site, provided that (1) any such claim, cost, loss, damages, action, or judgment 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, and (2) nothing in this paragraph shall obligate Owner to indemnify any individual or entity from and against the consequences of that individual's or entity's own negligence or willful misconduct.
- D. *No Defense Obligation:* The indemnification commitments in this Agreement do not include a defense obligation by the indemnitor unless such obligation is expressly stated.
- E. Percentage Share of Negligence: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, a party's total liability to the other party and anyone claiming by, through, or under the other party for any cost, loss, or damages caused in part by the negligence of the party and in part by the negligence of the other party or any other negligent entity or individual, shall not exceed the percentage share that the party's negligence bears to the total negligence of Owner, Engineer, and all other negligent entities and individuals.
- F. Mutual Waiver: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, Owner and Engineer waive against each other, and the other's employees, officers, directors, members, agents, insurers, partners, and consultants, any and all claims for or entitlement

to special, incidental, indirect, or consequential damages arising out of, resulting from, or in any way related to this Agreement or the Project, from any cause or causes.

#### 6.12 Records Retention

A. Engineer shall maintain on file in legible form, for a period of five years following completion or termination of its services, all Documents, records (including cost records), and design calculations related to Engineer's services or pertinent to Engineer's performance under this Agreement. Upon Owner's request, Engineer shall provide a copy of any such item to Owner at cost.

#### 6.13 Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. *Notices:* Any notice required under this Agreement will be in writing, addressed to the appropriate party at its address on the signature page and given personally, by registered or certified mail postage prepaid, or by a commercial courier service. All notices shall be effective upon the date of receipt.
- B. *Survival:* All express representations, waivers, indemnifications, and limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination for any reason.
- C. Severability: Any provision or part of the Agreement held to be void or unenforceable under any Laws or Regulations shall be deemed stricken, and all remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and binding upon Owner and Engineer, which agree that the Agreement 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.
- D. Waiver: 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 Agreement.
- E. Accrual of Claims: To the fullest extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, all causes of action arising under this Agreement shall be deemed to have accrued, and all statutory periods of limitation shall commence, no later than the date of Substantial Completion.

#### ARTICLE 7 - DEFINITIONS

#### 7.01 Defined Terms

- A. Wherever used in this Agreement (including the Exhibits hereto) terms (including the singular and plural forms) printed with initial capital letters have the meanings indicated in the text above, in the exhibits, or in the following definitions:
  - Addenda—Written or graphic instruments issued prior to the opening of bids which clarify, correct, or change the bidding requirements or the proposed Construction Contract Documents.
  - 2. Additional Services—The services to be performed for or furnished to Owner by Engineer in accordance with Part 2 of Exhibit A of this Agreement.

- 3. Agreement—This written contract for professional services between Owner and Engineer, including all exhibits identified in Paragraph 8.01 and any duly executed amendments.
- 4. 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 Construction Contract.
- 5. *Basic Services*—The services to be performed for or furnished to Owner by Engineer in accordance with Part 1 of Exhibit A of this Agreement.
- 6. 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 Construction Contract Price or the Construction Contract Times, or other revision to the Construction Contract, issued on or after the effective date of the Construction Contract.
- 7. Change Proposal—A written request by Contractor, duly submitted in compliance with the procedural requirements set forth in the Construction Contract, seeking an adjustment in Construction Contract Price or Construction Contract Times, or both; contesting an initial decision by Engineer concerning the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents or the acceptability of Work under the Construction Contract Documents; challenging a set-off against payments due; or seeking other relief with respect to the terms of the Construction Contract.
- 8. Constituent of Concern—Asbestos, petroleum, radioactive material, 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. §§5501 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.
- 9. *Construction Contract*—The entire and integrated written contract between the Owner and Contractor concerning the Work.
- 10. *Construction Contract Documents*—Those items designated as "Contract Documents" in the Construction Contract, and which together comprise the Construction Contract.
- 11. Construction Contract Price—The money that Owner has agreed to pay Contractor for completion of the Work in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.
- 12. Construction Contract Times—The number of days or the dates by which Contractor shall: (a) achieve milestones, if any, in the Construction Contract; (b) achieve Substantial Completion; and (c) complete the Work.

- 13. Construction Cost—The cost to Owner of the construction of those portions of the entire Project designed or specified by or for Engineer under this Agreement, including construction labor, services, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonding costs, and allowances for contingencies. Construction Cost does not include costs of services of Engineer or other design professionals and consultants; cost of land or rights-of-way, or compensation for damages to property; Owner's costs for legal, accounting, insurance counseling, or auditing services; interest or financing charges incurred in connection with the Project; or the cost of other services to be provided by others to Owner. Construction Cost is one of the items comprising Total Project Costs.
- 14. Constructor—Any person or entity (not including the Engineer, its employees, agents, representatives, and Consultants), performing or supporting construction activities relating to the Project, including but not limited to Contractors, Subcontractors, Suppliers, Owner's work forces, utility companies, other contractors, construction managers, testing firms, shippers, and truckers, and the employees, agents, and representatives of any or all of them.
- 15. Consultants—Individuals or entities having a contract with Engineer to furnish services with respect to this Project as Engineer's independent professional associates and consultants; subcontractors; or vendors.
- 16. *Contractor*—The entity or individual with which Owner enters into a Construction Contract.
- 17. Documents—Data, reports, Drawings, Specifications, Record Drawings, building information models, civil integrated management models, and other deliverables, whether in printed or electronic format, provided or furnished in appropriate phases by Engineer to Owner pursuant to this Agreement.
- 18. *Drawings*—That part of the Construction Contract Documents that graphically shows the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed by Contractor.
- 19. Effective Date—The date indicated in this Agreement on which it becomes effective, but if no such date is indicated, the date on which this Agreement is signed and delivered by the last of the parties to sign and deliver.
- 20. Engineer—The individual or entity named as such in this Agreement.
- 21. Field Order—A written order issued by Engineer which requires minor changes in the Work but does not change the Construction Contract Price or the Construction Contract Times.
- 22. 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.
- 23. Owner—The individual or entity named as such in this Agreement and for which Engineer's services are to be performed. Unless indicated otherwise, this is the same individual or entity that will enter into any Construction Contracts concerning the Project.

- 24. *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 services to be performed or furnished by Engineer under this Agreement are a part.
- 25. Record Drawings—Drawings depicting the completed Project, or a specific portion of the completed Project, prepared by Engineer and based on Contractor's record copy of all Drawings, Specifications, Addenda, Change Orders, Work Change Directives, Field Orders, and written interpretations and clarifications, as delivered to Engineer and annotated by Contractor to show changes made during construction.
- 26. *Reimbursable Expenses*—The expenses incurred directly by Engineer in connection with the performing or furnishing of Basic Services and Additional Services for the Project.
- 27. Resident Project Representative—The authorized representative of Engineer assigned to assist Engineer at the Site during the Construction Phase. As used herein, the term Resident Project Representative or "RPR" includes any assistants or field staff of Resident Project Representative. The duties and responsibilities of the Resident Project Representative, if any, are as set forth in Exhibit D.
- 28. 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.
- 29. 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 Construction Contract Documents.
- 30. Site—Lands or areas to be indicated in the Construction 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.
- 31. *Specifications*—The part of the Construction Contract Documents 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.
- 32. *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.
- 33. 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 Construction 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.

- 34. 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.
- 35. Total Project Costs—The total cost of planning, studying, designing, constructing, testing, commissioning, and start-up of the Project, including Construction Cost and all other Project labor, services, materials, equipment, insurance, and bonding costs, allowances for contingencies, and the total costs of services of Engineer or other design professionals and consultants, together with such other Project-related costs that Owner furnishes for inclusion, including but not limited to cost of land, rights-of-way, compensation for damages to properties, Owner's costs for legal, accounting, insurance counseling, and auditing services, interest and financing charges incurred in connection with the Project, and the cost of other services to be provided by others to Owner.
- 36. Work—The entire construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be provided under the Construction 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 Construction Contract Documents.
- 37. Work Change Directive—A written directive to Contractor issued on or after the effective date of the Construction Contract, signed by Owner and recommended by Engineer, ordering an addition, deletion, or revision in the Work.
- 38. *Agency*—The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources-Department of Environmental Conservation (ANR-DEC), Rural Utilities Service or any designated representative of Rural Utilities Service, Including USDA, Rural Development, ANR, and/or DEC.
- 39. Day A calendar day of 24 hours measured from midnight to the next midnight.

#### ARTICLE 8 - EXHIBITS AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- 8.01 Exhibits Included:
  - A. Exhibit A, Engineer's Services.
  - B. Exhibit B, Owner's Responsibilities.
  - C. Exhibit C, Payments to Engineer for Services and Reimbursable Expenses.
  - D. Exhibit D, Duties, Responsibilities and Limitations of Authority of Resident Project Representative.
  - E. Exhibit E, Notice of Acceptability of Work.
  - F. Exhibit F, Construction Cost Limit. [Not Used]
  - G. Exhibit G, Insurance.

- H. Exhibit H, Dispute Resolution. [Not Used]
- I. Exhibit I, Limitations of Liability. [Not Used]
- J. Exhibit J, Special Provisions.
- K. Exhibit K, Amendment to Owner-Engineer Agreement.

#### 8.02 Total Agreement

A. This Agreement, (together with the exhibits included above) constitutes the entire agreement between Owner and Engineer and supersedes all prior written or oral understandings. This Agreement may only be amended, supplemented, modified, or canceled by a written instrument duly executed by both parties. Amendments should be based whenever possible on the format of Exhibit K to this Agreement.

#### 8.03 Designated Representatives

A. With the execution of this Agreement, Engineer and Owner shall designate specific individuals to act as Engineer's and Owner's representatives with respect to the services to be performed or furnished by Engineer and responsibilities of Owner under this Agreement. Such an individual shall have authority to transmit instructions, receive information, and render decisions relative to this Agreement on behalf of the respective party whom the individual represents.

#### 8.04 Engineer's Certifications

- A. Engineer certifies that it has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Agreement. For the purposes of this Paragraph 8.04:
  - 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 selection process or in the Agreement execution;
  - 2. "fraudulent practice" means an intentional misrepresentation of facts made (a) to influence the selection process or the execution of the Agreement to the detriment of Owner, or (b) to deprive Owner of the benefits of free and open competition;
- "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons
  or their property to influence their participation in the selection process or affect the
  execution of the Agreement.

#### 8.05 Federal Requirements

A. Agency Concurrence. Signature of a duly authorized representative of the Agency in the space provided on the signature page of EJCDC form E-500 hereof does not constitute a commitment to provide financial assistance or payments hereunder but does signify that this Agreement conforms to Agency's applicable requirements. This Agreement shall not be effective unless the Funding Agency's designated representative concurs. No

- amendment to this Agreement shall be effective unless the Funding Agency's designated representative.
- B. Audit and Access to Records. Owner, Agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Engineer which are pertinent to the Agreement, for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Engineer shall maintain all required records for three years after final payment is made and all other pending matters are closed.
- C. Restrictions on Lobbying. Engineer and each Consultant shall comply with "Byrd antilobbying amendment (31 U.S.C 1352)" if they are recipients of engineering services contracts and subcontracts that exceed \$100,000 at any tier. If applicable, Engineer must complete a certification form on lobbying activities related to a specific Federal loan or grant that is a funding source for this Agreement. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other applicable award. Each tier shall disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Certifications and disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the Owner. Necessary certification and disclosure forms shall be provided by Owner.
- D. Suspension and Debarment. Engineer certifies, by signing this Agreement, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. Engineer will not contract with any Consultant for this project if it or its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. Necessary certification forms shall be provided by the Owner. The Engineer will complete and submit a form AD-1048, "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion lower tier transactions," to the Owner who will forward it to the USDA, Rural Development processing office.

indicated on page 1. Owner: Barton Village, Inc. Engineer: Aldrich +Elliott, PC By: By: Print name: Regina Lyon Print name: Wayne Elliott, PE Title: Board Chair Title: President Date Signed: Date Signed: Address for Owner's receipt of notices: Address for Engineer's receipt of notices: Barton Village, Inc. Aldrich + Elliott, PC 112 Municipal Lane 6 Market Place, Suite 2 Barton, VT 05822 Essex Junction, VT 05452 Designated Representative (Paragraph 8.03.A): Designated Representative (Paragraph 8.03.A): Tim Dagesse Wayne Elliott, PE Title: Wastewater Manager Title: President Phone Number: 802-323-7742 Phone Number: (802) 879-7733 X103 E-Mail Address: wwmanager@bartonvt.com E-Mail Address: welliott@aeengineers.com

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement, the Effective Date of which is

This is **EXHIBIT A**, consisting of 18 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023 .

#### **Engineer's Services**

Article 1 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties.

Engineer shall provide Basic and Additional Services as set forth below.

#### **PART 1 – BASIC SERVICES**

#### A1.01 Study and Report Phase

#### A. Engineer shall:

- 1. Consult with Owner to define and clarify Owner's requirements for the Project, including design objectives and constraints, space, capacity and performance requirements, flexibility, and expandability, and any budgetary limitations, and identify available data, information, reports, facilities plans, and site evaluations.
  - a. Engineer must identify study, and evaluate multiple potential alternative solutions potentially available to Owner, unless Owner and Engineer mutually agree with Agency concurrence that only one feasible solution exists. The number of alternative solutions should be appropriate to the specific project as concurred in by the Agency.
- 2. Identify potential solution(s) to meet Owner's Project requirements, as needed.
- 3. Study and evaluate the potential solution(s) to meet Owner's Project requirements.
- 4. Visit the Site, or potential Project sites, to review existing conditions and facilities, unless such visits are not necessary or applicable to meeting the objectives of the Study and Report Phase.
- 5. Advise Owner of any need for Owner to obtain, furnish, or otherwise make available to Engineer additional Project-related data and information, for Engineer's use in the study and evaluation of potential solution(s) to Owner's Project requirements, and preparation of a related report.
- After consultation with Owner, recommend to Owner the solution(s) which in Engineer's judgment meet Owner's requirements for the Project.
- 7. Identify, consult with, and analyze requirements of governmental authorities having jurisdiction to approve the portions of the Project to be designed or specified by Engineer, including but not limited to mitigating measures identified in an environmental assessment for the Project.

- 8. Prepare a report (the "Report") which will, as appropriate, contain schematic layouts, sketches, and conceptual design criteria with appropriate exhibits to indicate the agreed-to requirements, considerations involved, and Engineer's recommended solution(s). For each recommended solution Engineer will provide the following, which will be separately itemized: opinion of probable Construction Cost; proposed allowances for contingencies; the estimated total costs of design, professional, and related services to be provided by Engineer and its Consultants; and, on the basis of information furnished by Owner, a tabulation of other items and services included within the definition of Total Project Costs. The report mentioned in paragraph 1.01.A.8 of Exhibit A to the Agreement is the Preliminary Engineering Report as defined in RUS Bulletin 1780-2 or the State of Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. This document must meet customary professional standards as required by 7 CFR 1780.55 and/or those standards set forth by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. The Report must be concurred by the appropriate funding Agency.
- 9. Advise Owner of any need for Owner to provide data or services of the types described in Exhibit B, for use in Project design, or in preparation for Contractor selection and construction.
- 10. When mutually agreed and approved by the Agency, assist Owner in evaluating the possible use of building information modeling; civil integrated management; geotechnical baselining of subsurface site conditions; innovative design, contracting, or procurement strategies; or other strategies, technologies, or techniques for assisting in the design, construction, and operation of Owner's facilities. The subject matter of this paragraph shall be referred to in Exhibit A and B as "Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques."
- 11. If requested to do so by Owner, assist Owner in identifying opportunities for enhancing the sustainability of the Project, and pursuant to Owner's instructions plan for the inclusion of sustainable features in the design.
- 12. Use ASCE 38, "Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Existing Subsurface Utility Data" as a means to advise the Owner on a recommended scope of work and procedure for the identification and mapping of existing utilities.
- 13. Develop a scope of work and survey limits for any topographic and other surveys necessary for design.
- 14. Perform or provide the following other Study and Report Phase tasks or deliverables: Provide an Environmental Report as defined at 7 CFR 1790, Vermont DEC Environmental Information Document (EID) format, or other Agency approved format. The Environmental Report must be concurred in by the Agency.
- 15. Furnish 2 review copies of the Report and any other Study and Report Phase deliverables to Owner within 180 days of the Effective Date and review it with Owner. Within 30 days of receipt, Owner shall submit to Engineer any comments regarding the furnished items.
- 16. Revise the Report and any other Study and Report Phase deliverables in response to Owner's and Agency's comments, as appropriate, and furnish three (3) written copies

and one (1) electronic copy of the revised Report and any other Study and Report Phase deliverables to the Owner within 30 days of receipt of Owner's and Agency's comments.

17. Engineer's services under the Study and Report Phase will be considered complete on the date when Engineer has delivered to Owner the revised Report and any other Study and Report Phase deliverables.

#### A1.02 Preliminary Design Phase [to be added by amendment]

- A. After acceptance by Owner and concurrence by Agency of the Report and any other Study and Report Phase deliverables; selection by Owner of a recommended solution; issuance by Owner of any instructions of for use of Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques, or for inclusion of sustainable features in the design; and indication by Owner of any specific modifications or changes in the scope, extent, character, or design requirements of the Project desired by Owner, (1) Engineer and Owner shall discuss and resolve any necessary revisions to Engineer's compensation (through application of the provisions regarding Additional Services, or otherwise), or the time for completion of Engineer's services, resulting from the selected solution, related Project Strategies, Technologies, or Techniques, sustainable design instructions, or specific modifications to the Project, and (2) upon written authorization from Owner, Engineer shall:
  - 1. Prepare Preliminary Design Phase documents consisting of final design criteria, preliminary drawings, outline specifications, and written descriptions of the Project.
  - In preparing the Preliminary Design Phase documents, use any specific applicable Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques authorized by Owner and Agency during or following the Study and Report Phase, and include sustainable features, as appropriate, pursuant to Owner's instructions.
  - 3. Provide necessary field surveys and topographic and utility mapping for Engineer's design purposes. Comply with the scope of work and procedure for the identification and mapping of existing utilities selected and authorized by Owner pursuant to advice from Engineer based on ASCE 38, "Standard Guideline for the Collection and Depiction of Existing Subsurface Utility Data," as set forth in Paragraph A1.01.A.12 above. If no such scope of work and procedure for utility mapping has been selected and authorized, then at a minimum the utility mapping will include Engineer contacting utility owners and obtaining available information.
  - 4. Visit the Site as needed to prepare the Preliminary Design Phase documents.
  - Advise Owner if additional reports, data, information, or services of the types described in Exhibit B are necessary and assist Owner in obtaining such reports, data, information, or services.
  - 6. Continue to assist Owner with Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques that Owner has chosen to implement.

- 7. Based on the information contained in the Preliminary Design Phase documents, prepare a revised opinion of probable Construction Cost, and assist Owner in tabulating the various cost categories which comprise Total Project Costs.
- 8. Obtain and review Owner's instructions regarding Owner's procurement of construction services (including instructions regarding advertisements for bids, instructions to bidders, and requests for proposals, as applicable), Owner's construction contract practices and requirements, insurance and bonding requirements, electronic transmittals during construction, and other information necessary for the finalization of Owner's bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and Construction Contract Documents. Also obtain and review copies of Owner's design and construction standards, Owner's standard forms, general conditions (if other than EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract, 2013 Edition), supplementary conditions, text, and related documents or content for Engineer to include in the draft bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and in the draft Construction Contract Documents, when applicable. Engineer must also incorporate all Agency regulations, forms, and design and construction standards applicable to the project in development of the documents indicated in this Article.
- 9. Perform or provide the following other Preliminary Design Phase tasks or deliverables: The Engineer shall identify the building codes and accessibility standards used in the design and indicate them on the drawings and specifications and certify that the final drawings and specifications comply with those standards.
- 10. Furnish [ ] review copies of the Preliminary Design Phase documents, opinion of probable Construction Cost, and any other Preliminary Design Phase deliverables to Owner within [ ] days of authorization to proceed with this phase, and review them with Owner. Within [ ] days of receipt, Owner shall submit to Engineer any comments regarding the furnished items.
- 11. Revise the Preliminary Design Phase documents, opinion of probable Construction Cost, and any other Preliminary Design Phase deliverables in response to Owner's comments, as appropriate, and furnish to Owner opinion of the revised Preliminary Design Phase documents, revised opinion of probable Construction Cost, and any other deliverables within days after receipt of Owner's comments.
- B. Engineer's services under the Preliminary Design Phase will be considered complete on the date when Engineer has delivered to Owner the revised Preliminary Design Phase documents, revised opinion of probable Construction Cost, and any other Preliminary Design Phase deliverables.

#### A1.03 Final Design Phase [to be added by amendment]

A. After acceptance by Owner of the Preliminary Design Phase documents, revised opinion of probable Construction Cost as determined in the Preliminary Design Phase, and any other Preliminary Design Phase deliverables, subject to any Owner-directed modifications or changes in the scope, extent, character, or design requirements of or for the Project, and upon written authorization from Owner, Engineer shall:

- 1. Prepare final Drawings and Specifications indicating the scope, extent, and character of the Work to be performed and furnished by Contractor.
- 2. Visit the Site as needed to assist in preparing the final Drawings and Specifications.
- 3. Provide technical criteria, written descriptions, and design data for Owner's use in filing applications for permits from or approvals of governmental authorities having jurisdiction to review or approve the final design; assist Owner in consultations with such authorities; and revise the Drawings and Specifications in response to directives from such authorities, as appropriate.
- Advise Owner of any recommended adjustments to the opinion of probable Construction Cost.
- 5. After consultation with Owner, include in the Construction Contract Documents any specific protocols for the transmittal of Project-related correspondence, documents, text, data, drawings, information, and graphics, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website. Any such protocols shall be applicable to transmittals between and among Owner, Engineer, and Contractor during the Construction Phase and Post-Construction Phase, and unless agreed otherwise shall supersede any conflicting protocols previously established for transmittals between Owner and Engineer.
- Assist Owner in assembling known reports and drawings of Site conditions, and in identifying the technical data contained in such reports and drawings upon which bidders or other prospective contractors may rely.
- In addition to preparing the final Drawings and Specifications, assemble drafts of other Construction Contract Documents based on specific instructions and contract forms, text, or content received from Owner.
- 8. Prepare or assemble draft bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), based on the specific bidding or procurement-related instructions and forms, text, or content received from Owner.
- Perform or provide the following other Final Design Phase tasks or deliverables:
   [List any such tasks or deliverables here.]

   Furnish for review by Owner, its legal counsel and Agency, and other advisors, copies of the final Drawings and Specifications, assembled drafts of other Construction Contract Documents, the draft hidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or proposals
  - copies of the final Drawings and Specifications, assembled drafts of other Construction Contract Documents, the draft bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and any other Final Design Phase deliverables, within days of authorization to proceed with the Final Design Phase, and review them with Owner. Within days of receipt, Owner shall submit to Engineer any comments regarding the furnished items, and any instructions for revisions.

- 11. Revise the final Drawings and Specifications, assembled drafts of other Construction Contract Documents, the draft bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and any other Final Design Phase deliverables in accordance with comments and instructions from the Owner, as appropriate, and submit [ ] final copies of such documents to Owner within [ ] days after receipt of Owner's comments and instructions.
- 12. Provide the Owner and Agency with a written certification that the final Drawings and Specifications, other assembled Construction Contract Documents, bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and any other Final Design Phase deliverables comply with all requirements of Agency. Use the Engineer's Certification of Final Plans and Specifications (Attachment GC-B) for this purpose.
- 13. Services required to determine compliance with Build America, Buy America (BABA) provisions of P.L. 117-58, and all subsequent revisions and/or amendments, or American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) [For RD FUNDED PROJECTS] or American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision of P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and all subsequent revision and/or amendments [For SRF Funded Projects].
- B. Engineer's services under the Final Design Phase will be considered complete on the date when Engineer has delivered to Owner the final Drawings and Specifications, other assembled Construction Contract Documents, bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and any other Final Design Phase deliverables and all final design phase deliverables have been accepted by Owner.
- C. In the event that the Work designed or specified by Engineer is to be performed or furnished under more than one prime contract, or if Engineer's services are to be separately sequenced with the work of one or more prime Contractors (such as in the case of fast-tracking), Owner and Engineer shall, prior to commencement of the Final Design Phase, develop a schedule for performance of Engineer's services during the Final Design, Bidding or Negotiating, Construction, and Post-Construction Phases in order to sequence and coordinate properly such services as are applicable to the work under such separate prime contracts. This schedule is to be prepared and included in or become an amendment to Exhibit A whether or not the work under such contracts is to proceed concurrently.
- D. The number of prime contracts for Work designed or specified by Engineer upon which the Engineer's compensation has been established under this Agreement is [\_\_\_]. If more prime contracts are awarded, Engineer shall be entitled to an equitable increase in its compensation under this Agreement.
- A1.04 Bidding or Negotiating Phase [to be added by amendment]
  - A. After acceptance by Owner of the final Drawings and Specifications, other Construction Contract Documents, bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and the most recent opinion of probable

Construction Cost as determined in the Final Design Phase, and upon written authorization by Owner to proceed, Engineer shall:

- Assist Owner in advertising for and obtaining bids or proposals for the Work, assist
  Owner in issuing assembled design, contract, and bidding-related documents (or
  requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents) to prospective
  contractors, and, where applicable, maintain a record of prospective contractors to
  which documents have been issued, attend pre-bid conferences, if any, and receive and
  process contractor deposits or charges for the issued documents.
- 2. Prepare and issue Addenda as appropriate to clarify, correct, or change the issued documents. Obtain Agency concurrence on any addenda that modify the bidding documents. Obtain prior concurrence where possible.
- 3. Provide information or assistance needed by Owner in the course of any review of proposals or negotiations with prospective contractors.
- 4. Consult with Owner as to the qualifications of prospective contractors.
- 5. Consult with Owner as to the qualifications of subcontractors, suppliers, and other individuals and entities proposed by prospective contractors, for those portions of the Work as to which review of qualifications is required by the issued documents.
- 6. The Engineer shall evaluate and determine the acceptability of "or equals" and substitute materials and equipment proposed by prospective contractors prior to award of contracts for the Work. Engineer shall issue a bid addendum for any and all approved "or equals" and substitutes. Review of substitutes and "or equals" shall be in accordance with the General Conditions of the Construction Contract and applicable Agency regulations. Services under this paragraph are subject to the provisions of Paragraph A2.02.A2 of this Exhibit A.
- 7. Attend the bid opening, prepare bid tabulation sheets to meet Owner's schedule, and assist Owner in evaluating bids or proposals, assembling final contracts for the Work for execution by Owner and Contractor, and in issuing notices of award of such contracts.
- 8. If Owner engages in negotiations with bidders or proposers, assist Owner with respect to technical and engineering issues that arise during the negotiations.
- Perform or provide the following other Bidding or Negotiating Phase tasks or deliverables:
  - a. Contact the list of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) provided by the Agency, to determine their interest in participating in the Bid. Provide the list of interested DBE firms to the Bidders by addendum. Conform to the schedule and procedures as defined by the Agency for notices.
  - b. Upon award of the Construction Contract, the Engineer shall furnish to Owner five executed copies of the Contract Documents and one electronic copy of the signed documents, including Drawings and Specifications.

- 10. Provide copies of Manufacturers' Certification letters to the Bidders on any brand name iron and steel products along with the Plans, Specifications and Bidding Documents. Manufacturers' Certification Letters are to be included in the Bidding Documents and must be kept in the engineer's project file and on site during construction.
- 11. Provide copies of Manufacturers' Certification letters to the Contractor on any brand name iron and steel products along with the Plans, Specifications, Bidding Documents including any Bid Addenda and Change Orders. Manufacturers' Certification Letters must be kept in the engineer's project file and on site during construction.
- B. The Bidding or Negotiating Phase will be considered complete upon commencement of the Construction Phase or upon cessation of negotiations with prospective contractors (except as may be required if Exhibit F is a part of this Agreement).

#### A1.05 Construction Phase [to be added by amendment]

- A. Upon successful completion of the Bidding and Negotiating Phase, and upon written authorization from Owner, Engineer shall:
  - 1. General Administration of Construction Contract: Consult with Owner and act as Owner's representative as provided in the Construction Contract. The extent and limitations of the duties, responsibilities, and authority of Engineer shall be as assigned in EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract (2013 Edition), prepared by the Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee, or other construction general conditions specified in this Agreement. If Owner, or Owner and Contractor, modify the duties, responsibilities, and authority of Engineer in the Construction Contract, or modify other terms of the Construction Contract having a direct bearing on Engineer, then Owner shall compensate Engineer for any related increases in the cost to provide Construction Phase services. Engineer shall not be required to furnish or perform services contrary to Engineer's responsibilities as a licensed professional. All of Owner's instructions to Contractor will be issued through Engineer, which shall have authority to act on behalf of Owner in dealings with Contractor to the extent provided in this Agreement and the Construction Contract except as otherwise provided in writing.
  - 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. Duties,
    responsibilities, and authority of the RPR are as set forth in Exhibit D. The furnishing of
    such RPR's services will not limit, extend, or modify Engineer's responsibilities or
    authority except as expressly set forth in Exhibit D.
  - 3. Selection of Independent Testing Laboratory: Assist Owner in the selection of an independent testing laboratory to perform the services identified in Exhibit B, Paragraph B2.01.
  - 4. *Pre-Construction Conference:* Participate in and chair a pre-construction conference prior to commencement of Work at the Site.
  - 5. *Electronic Transmittal Protocols:* If the Construction Contract Documents do not specify protocols for the transmittal of Project-related correspondence, documents, text, data,

drawings, information, and graphics, in electronic media or digital format, either directly, or through access to a secure Project website, then together with Owner and Contractor jointly develop such protocols for transmittals between and among Owner, Contractor, and Engineer during the Construction Phase and Post-Construction Phase.

- 6. Original Documents: Maintain and safeguard during the Construction Phase at least one original printed record version of the Construction Contract Documents, including Drawings and Specifications signed and sealed by Engineer and other design professionals in accordance with applicable Laws and Regulations. Throughout the Construction Phase, make such original printed record version of the Construction Contract Documents available to Contractor and Owner for review.
- 7. Schedules: Receive, review, and determine the acceptability of any and all schedules that Contractor is required to submit to Engineer, including the Progress Schedule, Schedule of Submittals, and Schedule of Values.
- 8. Baselines and Benchmarks: As appropriate, establish baselines and benchmarks for locating the Work which in Engineer's judgment are necessary to enable Contractor to proceed.
- 9. *Visits to Site and Observation of Construction:* In connection with observations of Contractor's Work while it is in progress:
  - a. Make visits to the Site at intervals appropriate to the various stages of construction, as Engineer deems necessary, to observe as an experienced and qualified design professional the progress of Contractor's executed Work. Such visits and observations by Engineer, and the Resident Project Representative, if any, are not intended to be exhaustive or to extend to every aspect of the Work or to involve detailed inspections of the Work beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer in this Agreement and the Construction Contract Documents, but rather are to be limited to spot checking, selective sampling, and similar methods of general observation of the Work based on Engineer's exercise of professional judgment, as assisted by the Resident Project Representative, if any. Based on information obtained during such visits and observations, Engineer will determine in general if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents, and Engineer shall keep Owner informed of the progress of the Work.
  - b. The purpose of Engineer's visits to the Site, and representation by the Resident Project Representative, if any, at the Site, will be to enable Engineer to better carry out the duties and responsibilities assigned to and undertaken by Engineer during the Construction Phase, and, in addition, by the exercise of Engineer's efforts as an experienced and qualified design professional, to provide for Owner a greater degree of confidence that the completed Work will conform in general to the Construction Contract Documents and that Contractor has implemented and maintained the integrity of the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated in the Construction Contract Documents. Engineer shall not, during such visits or as a result of such observations of the Work, supervise, direct, or have control over the Work, nor shall Engineer have authority over or responsibility for the means, methods,

techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, for security or safety at the Site, for safety precautions and programs incident to any Constructor's work in progress, for the coordination of the Constructors' work or schedules, nor for any failure of any Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to furnishing and performing of its work. Accordingly, Engineer neither guarantees the performance of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's failure to furnish or perform the Work, or any portion of the Work, in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents.

- c. The visits described in Article A1.05.A.9.a shall be at least monthly and the Engineer shall document all visits to the project with copies furnished to the Owner and Agency.
- 10. Defective Work: Reject Work if, on the basis of Engineer's observations, Engineer believes that such Work is defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract Documents. Provide recommendations to Owner regarding whether Contractor should correct such Work or remove and replace such Work, or whether Owner should consider accepting such Work as provided in the Construction Contract Documents.
- 11. Compatibility with Design Concept: If Engineer has express knowledge that a specific part of the Work that is not defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract Documents is nonetheless not compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole, then inform Owner of such incompatibility, and provide recommendations for addressing such Work.
- 12. Clarifications and Interpretations: Accept from Contractor and Owner submittal of all matters in question concerning the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents (sometimes referred to as requests for information or interpretation—RFIs), or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Construction Contract Documents. With reasonable promptness, render a written clarification, interpretation, or decision on the issue submitted, or initiate an amendment or supplement to the Construction Contract Documents.
- 13. Non-reviewable Matters: If a submitted matter in question concerns the Engineer's performance of its duties and obligations, or terms and conditions of the Construction Contract Documents that do not involve (1) the performance or acceptability of the Work under the Construction 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 will not provide a decision or interpretation.
- 14. *Field Orders:* Subject to any limitations in the Construction Contract Documents, Engineer may prepare and issue Field Orders requiring minor changes in the Work.
- 15. 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.

- 16. Differing Site Conditions: Respond to any notice from Contractor of differing site conditions, including conditions relating to underground facilities such as utilities, and hazardous environmental conditions. Promptly conduct reviews and prepare findings, conclusions, and recommendations for Owner's use.
- 17. Shop Drawings, Samples, and Other Submittals: Review and approve or take other appropriate action with respect to Shop Drawings, Samples, and other required Contractor submittals to ensure compliance with the Build America, Buy America (BABA) provision P.L. 117-58, and all subsequent revision and/or amendments, or American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) [For RD FUNDED PROJECTS] or American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision of P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and all subsequent revision and/or amendments [For SRF Funded Projects] and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference. Any iron and steel products included in any submittal by the General Contractor, must include a Manufacturers' Certification letter to verify the products were produced in the United States. Copies of Manufacturers' Certification letters must be kept in the engineer's project file and on site during construction. Review and approve or take other appropriate action with respect to Shop Drawings, Samples, and other required Contractor submittals, but only for conformance with the information given in the Construction Contract Documents and compatibility with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole as indicated by the Construction 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. Engineer shall meet any Contractor's submittal schedule that Engineer has accepted.
- 18. Substitutes and "Or-equal": Evaluate and determine the acceptability of substitute or "or-equal" materials and equipment proposed by Contractor, but subject to the provisions of Paragraph A2.02.A.2 of this Exhibit A. Review of substitutes and "or equals" shall be in accordance with the General Conditions of the Construction Contract and applicable Agency regulations. Prior to approval of any substitute "or equal" obtain a Manufacturers' Certification letter to verify the products were produced in the United States. Manufacturers' Certification letters must be kept in the engineer's project file and on site during construction to ensure compliance with Build America, Buy America (BABA) provision P.L. 117-58, and all subsequent revision and/or amendments, or American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) [For RD FUNDED PROJECTS] or American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision of P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and all subsequent revision and/or amendments [For SRF Funded Projects] and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference, if applicable.

#### 19. *Inspections and Tests:*

a. Receive and review all certificates of inspections, tests, and approvals required by Laws and Regulations or the Construction Contract Documents. Engineer's

review of such certificates will be for the purpose of determining that the results certified indicate compliance with the Construction Contract Documents and will not constitute an independent evaluation that the content or procedures of such inspections, tests, or approvals comply with the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents. Engineer shall be entitled to rely on the results of such inspections and tests.

- b. As deemed reasonably necessary, request that Contractor uncover Work that is to be inspected, tested, or approved.
- c. Pursuant to the terms of the Construction Contract, require special inspections or testing of the Work, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed, or completed.
- d. Receive and review all Manufacturers' Certification Letters for materials required to comply with Build America, Buy America (BABA) provision P.L. 117-58, and all subsequent revision and/or amendments, or American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) [For RD FUNDED PROJECTS] or American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision of P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and all subsequent revision and/or amendments [For SRF Funded Projects] and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference to verify the products were produced in the United States. Manufacturers' Certification letters must be kept in the engineer's project file and on site during construction.
- 20. Change Proposals and Claims: (a) Review and respond to Change Proposals. Review each duly submitted Change Proposal from Contractor 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 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 will not resolve the Change Proposal. (b) Provide information or data to Owner regarding engineering or technical matters pertaining to Claims. (c) Review Change Proposals to ensure compliance with Build America, Buy America (BABA) provision P.L. 117-58, and all subsequent revision and/or amendments, or American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) [For RD FUNDED PROJECTS] or American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision of P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and all subsequent revision and/or amendments [For SRF Funded Projects] and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference.
- 21. Applications for Payment: Based on Engineer's observations as an experienced and qualified design professional and on review of Applications for Payment and accompanying supporting documentation:

- a. Determine the amounts that Engineer recommends Contractor be paid. Recommend reductions in payment (set-offs) based on the provisions for set-offs stated in the Construction Contract. 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 Work is generally in accordance with the Construction 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 Construction 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 the Work. In the case of unit price Work, Engineer's recommendations of payment will include final determinations of quantities and classifications of the Work (subject to any subsequent adjustments allowed by the Construction Contract Documents).
- b. By recommending 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. 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 the Work, 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 money paid to Contractor by Owner; to determine that title to any portion of the Work, including 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.
- 22. Contractor's Completion Documents: Receive from Contractor, review, and transmit to Owner maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance required by the Construction Contract Documents, certificates of inspection, tests and approvals, and Shop Drawings, Samples, and other data approved as provided under Paragraph A1.05.A.17. Receive from Contractor and review the annotated record documents which are to be assembled by Contractor in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents to obtain final payment. The Engineer shall prepare Record Drawings, and furnish such Record Drawings to Owner.
- 23. Substantial Completion: Promptly after notice from Contractor that Contractor considers the entire Work ready for its intended use, in company with Owner and Contractor, visit the Site to review the Work and determine the status of completion.

Follow the procedures in the Construction Contract regarding the preliminary certificate of Substantial Completion, punch list of items to be completed, Owner's objections, notice to Contractor, and issuance of a final certificate of Substantial Completion. Assist Owner regarding any remaining engineering or technical matters affecting Owner's use or occupancy of the Work following Substantial Completion.

- 24. *Other Tasks:* Perform or provide the following other Construction Phase tasks or deliverables:
  - a. Monitor the Contractor's compliance with Federal Wage Requirements as determined under the Davis-Bacon Act.
  - b. Upon Substantial Completion, the Engineer shall provide a copy of the Certificate of Substantial Completion to the Agency.
- 25. Final Notice of Acceptability of the Work: Conduct a final visit to the Project to determine if the Work is complete and acceptable so that Engineer may recommend, in writing, final payment to Contractor. Accompanying the recommendation for final payment, Engineer shall also provide a notice to Owner and Contractor in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E ("Notice of Acceptability of Work") that the Work is acceptable (subject to the provisions of the Notice and Paragraph A1.05.A.21.b) to the best of Engineer's knowledge, information, and belief, and based on the extent of the services provided by Engineer under this Agreement.
  - a. Obtain the Contractor's Certification letter and copies of Manufacturers' Certification letters for all American Iron and Steel products used in the project. Upon Substantial Completion, provide copies of Engineers', Contractors', and Manufacturers' Certification letters to the Owner and a copy of Contractor's Certification letter to the Agency. Provide a list of manufacturers of American Iron and Steel products used in the project and include manufacturer's name and location, and product(s) to the Agency.
- 26. Standards for Certain Construction-Phase Decisions: Engineer will render decisions regarding the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents, and judge the acceptability of the Work, pursuant to the specific procedures set forth in the Construction Contract 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.
- B. Duration of Construction Phase: The Construction Phase will commence with the execution of the first Construction Contract for the Project or any part thereof and will terminate upon written recommendation by Engineer for final payment to Contractors. If the Project involves more than one prime contract as indicated in Paragraph A1.03.D, then Construction Phase services may be rendered at different times in respect to the separate contracts. Subject to the provisions of Article 3, Engineer shall be entitled to an equitable increase in compensation if Construction Phase services (including Resident Project Representative services, if any) are required after the original date for completion and readiness for final payment of Contractor as set forth in the Construction Contract.

- A. Upon written authorization from Owner during the Post-Construction Phase, Engineer shall:
  - Together with Owner, visit the Project to observe any apparent defects in the Work, make recommendations as to replacement or correction of defective Work, if any, or the need to repair of any damage to the Site or adjacent areas, and assist Owner in consultations and discussions with Contractor concerning correction of any such defective Work and any needed repairs.
  - 2. Together with Owner, visit the Project within one month before the end of the Construction Contract's correction period to ascertain whether any portion of the Work or the repair of any damage to the Site or adjacent areas is defective and therefore subject to correction by Contractor.
  - 3. Perform or provide the following other Post-Construction Phase tasks or deliverables:

    [ [List any such tasks or deliverables here.]
- B. The Post-Construction Phase services may commence during the Construction Phase and, if not otherwise modified in this Exhibit A, will terminate twelve months after the commencement of the Construction Contract's correction period.

#### **PART 2 – ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

- A2.01 Additional Services Requiring Owner's Written Authorization
  - A. If authorized in writing by Owner, Engineer shall provide Additional Services of the types listed below. These services are not included as part of Basic Services and will be paid for by Owner as indicated in Exhibit C.
    - 1. Preparation of applications and supporting documents (in addition to those furnished under Basic Services) for private or governmental grants, loans, or advances in connection with the Project; preparation or review of environmental assessments and impact statements not including preparation of the Environmental Report defined under Basic Services; review and evaluation of the effects on the design requirements for the Project of any such statements and documents prepared by others; and assistance in obtaining approvals of authorities having jurisdiction over the anticipated environmental impact of the Project.
    - Services to make measured drawings of existing conditions or facilities, to conduct tests
      or investigations of existing conditions or facilities, or to verify the accuracy of drawings
      or other information furnished by Owner or others.
    - 3. Services resulting from significant changes in the scope, extent, or character of the portions of the Project designed or specified by Engineer, or the Project's design requirements, including, but not limited to, changes in size, complexity, Owner's schedule, character of construction, or method of financing; and revising previously accepted studies, reports, Drawings, Specifications, or Construction Contract Documents when such revisions are required by changes in Laws and Regulations enacted

- subsequent to the Effective Date or are due to any other causes beyond Engineer's control.
- 4. Services resulting from Owner's request to evaluate additional Study and Report Phase alternative solutions beyond those agreed to in Paragraph A1.01.A.1 and 2, but only if the Owner's request is made after completion of the Study and Report Phase.
- 5. Services required as a result of Owner's providing incomplete or incorrect Project information to Engineer.
- 6. Providing renderings or models for Owner's use, including services in support of building information modeling or civil integrated management.
- 7. Undertaking investigations and studies including, but not limited to:
  - a. detailed consideration of operations, maintenance, and overhead expenses;
  - b. the preparation of feasibility studies (such as those that include projections of output capacity, utility project rates, project market demand, or project revenues) and cash flow analyses, provided that such services are based on the engineering and technical aspects of the Project, and do not include rendering advice regarding municipal financial products or the issuance of municipal securities;
  - c. preparation of appraisals;
  - d. evaluating processes available for licensing, and assisting Owner in obtaining process licensing;
  - e. detailed quantity surveys of materials, equipment, and labor; and
  - f. audits or inventories required in connection with construction performed or furnished by Owner.
- 8. Furnishing services of Consultants for other than Basic Services.
- 9. Providing data or services of the types described in Exhibit B, when Owner retains Engineer to provide such data or services instead of Owner furnishing the same.
- 10. Providing the following services:
  - a. Services attributable to more prime construction contracts than specified in Paragraph A1.03.D.
  - Services to arrange for performance of construction services for Owner by contractors other than the principal prime Contractor, and administering Owner's contract for such services.
- 11. Services during out-of-town travel required of Engineer, other than for visits to the Site or Owner's office as required in Basic Services (Part 1 of Exhibit A).

- 12. Preparing for, coordinating with, participating in and responding to structured independent review processes, including, but not limited to, construction management, cost estimating, project peer review, value engineering, and constructibility review requested by Owner; and performing or furnishing services required to revise studies, reports, Drawings, Specifications, or other documents as a result of such review processes.
- 13. Preparing additional bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents) or Construction Contract Documents for alternate bids or cost estimates requested by Owner for the Work or a portion thereof.
- 14. Assistance in connection with bid protests, rebidding, or renegotiating contracts for construction, materials, equipment, or services, except when such assistance is required to complete services required by Paragraph 5.02.A and Exhibit F.
- 15. Preparing conformed Construction Contract Documents that incorporate and integrate the content of all Addenda and any amendments negotiated by Owner and Contractor.
- 16. Providing Construction Phase services beyond the original date for completion and readiness for final payment of Contractor, but only if such services increase the total quantity of services to be performed in the Construction Phase, rather than merely shifting performance of such services to a later date.
- 17. Conducting surveys, investigations, and field measurements to verify the accuracy of Record Drawing content obtained from Contractor, Owner, utility companies, and other sources; revise and supplement Record Drawings as needed.
- 18. Preparation of operation, maintenance, and staffing manuals.
- 19. Protracted or extensive assistance in refining and adjusting of Project equipment and systems (such as initial startup, testing, and balancing).
- 20. Assistance to Owner in training Owner's staff to operate and maintain Project equipment and systems.
- 21. Assistance to Owner in developing systems and procedures for (a) control of the operation and maintenance of Project equipment and systems, and (b) related recordkeeping.
- 22. Preparing to serve or serving as a consultant or witness for Owner in any litigation, arbitration, lien or bond claim, or other legal or administrative proceeding involving the Project.
- 23. Overtime work requiring higher than regular rates.
- 24. Providing construction surveys and staking to enable Contractor to perform its work other than as required under Paragraph A1.05.A.8; any type of property surveys or related engineering services needed for the transfer of interests in real property; and providing other special field surveys.

- 25. Providing more extensive services required to enable Engineer to issue notices or certifications requested by Owner.
- 26. Extensive services required during any correction period, or with respect to monitoring Contractor's compliance with warranties and guarantees called for in the Construction Contract (except as agreed to under Basic Services).
- 27. Other additional services performed or furnished by Engineer not otherwise provided for in this Agreement.

#### A2.02 Additional Services Not Requiring Owner's Written Authorization

- A. Engineer shall advise Owner that Engineer is commencing to perform or furnish the Additional Services of the types listed below. For such Additional Services, Engineer need not request or obtain specific advance written authorization from Owner. Engineer shall cease performing or furnishing such Additional Services upon receipt of written notice to cease from Owner.
  - 1. Services in connection with Work Change Directives and Change Orders to reflect changes requested by Owner.
  - Services in making revisions to Drawings and Specifications occasioned by the
    acceptance of substitute materials or equipment other than "or equal" items; evaluation
    and determination of an excessive number of proposed "or equals" or substitutions,
    whether proposed before or after award of the Construction Contract.
  - 3. Services resulting from significant delays, changes, or price increases occurring as a direct or indirect result of materials, equipment, or energy shortages.
  - 4. Additional or extended services arising from (a) the presence at the Site of any Constituent of Concern or items of historical or cultural significance, (b) emergencies or acts of God endangering the Work, (c) damage to the Work by fire or other causes during construction, (d) a significant amount of defective, neglected, or delayed Work, (e) acceleration of the progress schedule involving services beyond normal working hours, or (f) default by Contractor.
  - 5. Services (other than Basic Services during the Post-Construction Phase) in connection with any partial utilization of the Work by Owner prior to Substantial Completion.
  - 6. Evaluating unreasonable or frivolous requests for interpretation or information (RFIs), Change Proposals, or other demands from Contractor or others in connection with the Work, or an excessive number of RFIs, Change Proposals, or demands.
  - Reviewing a Shop Drawing or other Contractor submittal more than three times, as a result of repeated inadequate submissions by Contractor.
  - 8. While at the Site, compliance by Engineer and its staff with those terms of Owner's or Contractor's safety program provided to Engineer subsequent to the Effective Date that exceed those normally required of engineering personnel by federal, State, or local safety authorities for similar construction sites.

This is **EXHIBIT B**, consisting of 4 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023.

## **Owner's Responsibilities**

Article 2 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties.

- B2.01 In addition to other responsibilities of Owner as set forth in this Agreement, Owner shall at its expense:
  - A. Provide Engineer with all criteria and full information as to Owner's requirements for the Project, including design objectives and constraints, space, capacity and performance requirements, flexibility, and expandability, and any budgetary limitations.
  - Give instructions to Engineer regarding Owner's procurement of construction services (including instructions regarding advertisements for bids, instructions to bidders, and requests for proposals, as applicable), Owner's construction contract practices and requirements, insurance and bonding requirements, electronic transmittals during construction, and other information necessary for the finalization of Owner's bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and Construction Contract Documents. Furnish copies (or give specific directions requesting Engineer to use copies already in Engineer's possession) of all design and construction standards, Owner's standard forms, general conditions (if other than EJCDC® C-700, Standard General Conditions of the Construction Contract, 2013 Edition), supplementary conditions, text, and related documents and content for Engineer to include in the draft bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and draft Construction Contract Documents, when applicable. Owner shall have responsibility for the final content of (1) such bidding-related documents (or requests for proposals or other construction procurement documents), and (2) those portions of any Construction Contract other than the design (as set forth in the Drawings, Specifications, or otherwise), and other engineering or technical matters; and Owner shall seek the advice of Owner's legal counsel, risk managers, and insurance advisors with respect to the drafting and content of such documents.
  - C. Furnish to Engineer any other available information pertinent to the Project including reports and data relative to previous designs, construction, or investigation at or adjacent to the Site.
  - D. Following Engineer's assessment of initially-available Project information and data and upon Engineer's request, obtain, furnish, or otherwise make available (if necessary through title searches, or retention of specialists or consultants) such additional Project-related information and data as is reasonably required to enable Engineer to complete its Basic and Additional Services. Such additional information or data would generally include the following:
    - 1. Property descriptions.
    - 2. Zoning, deed, and other land use restrictions.
    - 3. Utility and topographic mapping and surveys.

- 4. Property, boundary, easement, right-of-way, and other special surveys or data, including establishing relevant reference points.
- 5. Explorations and tests of subsurface conditions at or adjacent to the Site; geotechnical reports and investigations; drawings of physical conditions relating to existing surface or subsurface structures at the Site; hydrographic surveys, laboratory tests and inspections of samples, materials, and equipment; with appropriate professional interpretation of such information or data.
- 6. Environmental assessments, audits, investigations, and impact statements, and other relevant environmental, historical, or cultural studies relevant to the Project, the Site, and adjacent areas.
- 7. Data or consultations as required for the Project but not otherwise identified in this Agreement.
- E. Arrange for safe access to and make all provisions for Engineer to enter upon public and private property as required for Engineer to perform services under the Agreement.
- F. Recognizing and acknowledging that Engineer's services and expertise do not include the following services, provide, as required for the Project:
  - Accounting, bond and financial advisory (including, if applicable, "municipal advisor" services as described in Section 975 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (2010) and the municipal advisor registration rules issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission), independent cost estimating, and insurance counseling services.
  - 2. Legal services with regard to issues pertaining to the Project as Owner requires, Contractor raises, or Engineer reasonably requests.
  - 3. Such auditing services as Owner requires to ascertain how or for what purpose Contractor has used the money paid.
- G. Provide the services of an independent testing laboratory to perform all inspections, tests, and approvals of samples, materials, and equipment required by the Construction Contract Documents (other than those required to be furnished or arranged by Contractor), or to evaluate the performance of materials, equipment, and facilities of Owner, prior to their incorporation into the Work with appropriate professional interpretation thereof. Provide Engineer with the findings and reports generated by testing laboratories, including findings and reports obtained from or through Contractor.
- H. Provide reviews, approvals, and permits from all governmental authorities having jurisdiction to approve all phases of the Project designed or specified by Engineer and such reviews, approvals, and consents from others as may be necessary for completion of each phase of the Project.
- I. Advise Engineer of the identity and scope of services of any independent consultants employed by Owner to perform or furnish services in regard to the Project, including, but not limited to, cost estimating, project peer review, value engineering, and constructibility review.

- J. If Owner designates a construction manager or an individual or entity other than, or in addition to, Engineer to represent Owner at the Site, define and set forth as an attachment to this Exhibit B the duties, responsibilities, and limitations of authority of such other party and the relation thereof to the duties, responsibilities, and authority of Engineer.
- K. If more than one prime contract is to be awarded for the Work designed or specified by Engineer, then designate a person or entity to have authority and responsibility for coordinating the activities among the various prime Contractors, and define and set forth the duties, responsibilities, and limitations of authority of such individual or entity and the relation thereof to the duties, responsibilities, and authority of Engineer as an attachment to this Exhibit B that is to be mutually agreed upon and made a part of this Agreement before such services begin.
- L. Inform Engineer in writing of any specific requirements of safety or security programs that are applicable to Engineer, as a visitor to the Site.
- M. Examine all alternative solutions, studies, reports, sketches, Drawings, Specifications, proposals, and other documents presented by Engineer (including obtaining advice of an attorney, risk manager, insurance counselor, financial/municipal advisor, and other advisors or consultants as Owner deems appropriate with respect to such examination) and render in writing timely decisions pertaining thereto.
- N. Inform Engineer regarding any need for assistance in evaluating the possible use of Project Strategies, Technologies, and Techniques, as defined in Exhibit A.
- O. Advise Engineer as to whether Engineer's assistance is requested in identifying opportunities for enhancing the sustainability of the Project.
- P. Place and pay for advertisement for Bids in appropriate publications.
- Q. Furnish to Engineer data as to Owner's anticipated costs for services to be provided by others (including, but not limited to, accounting, bond and financial, independent cost estimating, insurance counseling, and legal advice) for Owner so that Engineer may assist Owner in collating the various cost categories which comprise Total Project Costs.
- R. Attend and participate in the pre-bid conference, bid opening, pre-construction conferences, construction progress and other job related meetings, and Site visits to determine Substantial Completion and readiness of the completed Work for final payment.
- S. Authorize Engineer to provide Additional Services as set forth in Part 2 of Exhibit A of the Agreement, as required.
- B2.02 Owners are ultimately responsible for compliance with Build America, Buy America (BABA) provision P.L. 117-58, and all subsequent revision and/or amendments, or American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) [For RD FUNDED PROJECTS] or American Iron and Steel (AIS) provision of P.L. 113-76, Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014 and all subsequent revision and/or amendments [For SRF Funded Projects] and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference and will be responsible for the following:

- (a) **Signing** loan resolutions, grant agreements and letters of intent to meet conditions which include American Iron and Steel language, accepting American Iron and Steel requirements in those documents and in the letter of conditions.
- (b) Signing change orders (i.e. C-941 of EJCDC) and partial payment estimates (i.e. C-620 of EJCDC) and thereby acknowledging responsibility for compliance with American Iron and Steel requirements.
- (c) **Obtaining** the certification letters from the consulting engineer upon substantial completion of the project and **maintaining** this documentation for the life of the loan.
- (d) Where the owner provides their own engineering and/or construction services, providing copies of engineers', contractors', and manufacturers' certification letters (as applicable) to the Agency. All certification letters must be kept in the engineer's project file and on site during construction. For Owner Construction (Force Account), all clauses from Section 17 of RUS Bulletin 1780-35 must be included in the Agreement for Engineering Services.
- (e) Where the owner directly procures American Iron and Steel products, *including* American Iron and Steel clauses in the procurement contracts and *obtaining* manufacturers' certification letters and *providing* copies to consulting engineers and contractors.

## RUS CERTIFICATION PAGE (MODIFIED from RUS BULLETIN 1780-26, EXHIBIT C)

#### **DEC CERTIFICATION PAGE**

PROJECT NAME:	Barton WWTF Improvements
PROJECT LOCATION: _	Barton Village
APPLICANT & LOAN/G	RANT NUMBER: TBD

The Engineer and Owner hereby concur in the Funding Agency required revision to E-500 (2014). In addition, the Engineer certifies to the following:

All modifications required by DEC and RUS Bulletin 1780-26 have been made in accordance with the terms of the license agreement, which states in part that the Engineer "must plainly show all changes to the Standard EJCDC Text, using 'Track Changes' (redline/strikeout), highlighting, or other means of clearly indicating additions and deletions." Such other means may include attachments indicating changes (e.g. Supplementary Conditions modifying the General Conditions).

## **SUMMARY OF ENGINEERING FEES**

Note that the fees indicated on this table are only a summary and if there is a conflict with any provision of Exhibit C, the provisions there overrule the values listed on this table. Fees shown will not be exceeded without the concurrence of the Agency.

Description of Steps and Services	Fee Amount	Basis of Payment (Lump Sum or NTE)
1. Step 0 – Feasibility Study		LS/NTE
2. Step I – Preliminary Engineering		
a. Preliminary Engineering Report Services	\$22,900	LS
b. Environmental Information Document Services	\$5,200	NTE
<ul> <li>Additional Services included in Step I (include additional lines and itemize each item separately)</li> </ul>		LS/NTE
3. Step II – Final Design		
<ul> <li>Basis of Final Design and Final Design Plans and Contract Documents</li> </ul>		LS/NTE
<ul> <li>Additional Services included in Step II (include additional lines)</li> </ul>		LS/NTE
4. Step III		
a. Bid Phase Services		LS
b. Construction Phase Services		LS
c. Resident Project Representative Services		NTE
d. Post Construction Phase Services		LS
e. Additional Services included in Step III (include additional lines)		LS/NTE
5. Total Engineering Costs		
6. Construction Costs		
a. Contract 1		
b. Small Purchase		

	c. Additional Items (include additional lines)	
7.	Total Project Cost	
8.	Total Bond Amount	

## **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

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The scope of services can be found in the following pages of the contract under <u>Exhibit J – Special</u> Provisions.

# **PROGRESS MEETING AND DELIVERABLES**

DEC places funding holds on projects at the 30%, 60%, and 90% of engineering Step I & II (planning and final design) services pending a project meeting and deliverables. Holds may be negotiated to add or delete holds based on the needs of the project. This contract involves the following Step \_\_\_\_ deliverables and meetings:

Percent Complete	Approximate Meeting Schedule	Deliverables
30%	August 15, 2023	30% Report
60%	October 15, 2023	60% Report
90%	December 15, 2023	90% Report
Final	Jan 15, 2024	Final Report, Environmental Report

Any adjustments to engineering fees or changes to maximum estimated values must be approved by the Agency and must include a table of what specific category or categories of fees are being changed, what fees were before and are after the change, and the resulting total fee.

Engineer	Date	
Name and Title		
Barton Village, Inc		
Owner	Date	
Regina Lyon, Board Chair		
Name and Title		

•	s of this Contract, and without liability for any payments form, content, and execution of this Agreement.
Agency Representative	Date
Name and Title	Last Revised: 3/26/19

This is **EXHIBIT C**, consisting of 9 pages, referred to in and part of the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services dated June 12, 2023.

# **Payments to Engineer for Services and Reimbursable Expenses Basic Services – Lump Sum**

Article 2 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

#### **ARTICLE 2 – OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

- C2.01 Compensation for Basic Services (other than Resident Project Representative) Lump Sum Method of Payment
  - A. Owner shall pay Engineer for Basic Services set forth in Exhibit A, except for services of Engineer's Resident Project Representative, if any, as follows:
    - A Lump Sum amount of \$22,900 based on the following estimated distribution of compensation:

a.	Study and Report Phase	\$22,900
b.	Preliminary Design Phase	\$[ ]
c.	Final Design Phase	\$[ ]
d.	Bidding and Negotiating Phase	\$[ ]
e.	Construction Phase	\$[ ]
f.	Post-Construction Phase	\$[ ]

- Engineer may alter the distribution of compensation between individual phases noted herein to be consistent with services actually rendered, but shall not exceed the total Lump Sum amount unless approved in writing by the Owner and Agency.
- The Lump Sum includes compensation for Engineer's services and services of Engineer's Consultants, if any. Appropriate amounts have been incorporated in the Lump Sum to account for labor costs, overhead, profit, expenses (other than any expressly allowed Reimbursable Expenses), and Consultant charges.
- In addition to the Lump Sum, Engineer is also entitled to reimbursement from Owner for the following Reimbursable Expenses (see Appendix 1 for rates or charges): None
- The portion of the Lump Sum amount billed for Engineer's services will be based upon Engineer's estimate of the percentage of the total services actually completed during the billing period. If any Reimbursable Expenses are expressly allowed, Engineer may also bill for any such Reimbursable Expenses incurred during the billing period.

B.	Period of Service: The compensation amount stipulated in Compensation Packet BC-1 is conditioned on a period of service not exceeding 12 months. If such period of service is extended, the compensation amount for Engineer's services shall be appropriately adjusted with concurrence of the Owner and Agency.

# Payments to Engineer for Services and Reimbursable Expenses COMPENSATION PACKET BC-2: Basic Services – Standard Hourly Rates

Article 2 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

#### ARTICLE 2 – OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- C2.01 Compensation For Basic Services (other than Resident Project Representative) Standard Hourly Rates Method of Payment
  - A. Owner shall pay Engineer for Basic Services set forth in Exhibit A, except for services of Engineer's Resident Project Representative, if any, as follows:
    - An amount equal to the cumulative hours charged to the Project by each class of Engineer's personnel times Standard Hourly Rates for each applicable billing class for all services performed on the Project, plus Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Consultants' charges, if any.
    - The Standard Hourly Rates charged by Engineer constitute full and complete compensation for Engineer's services, including labor costs, overhead, and profit; the Standard Hourly Rates do not include Reimbursable Expenses or Engineer's Consultants' charges.
    - 3. Engineer's Reimbursable Expenses Schedule and Standard Hourly Rates are attached to this Exhibit C as Appendices 1 and 2.
    - 4. The total compensation for services under Paragraph C2.01 is estimated to be \$5,200 based on the following estimated distribution of compensation:

a.	Study and Report Phase	\$5,200 (NTE)
b.	Preliminary Design Phase	\$
c.	Final Design Phase	\$
d.	Bidding or Negotiating Phase	\$
e.	Construction Phase	\$
f.	Post-Construction Phase	\$

5. Engineer may alter the distribution of compensation between individual phases of the work noted herein to be consistent with services actually rendered, but shall not exceed the total estimated compensation amount unless approved in writing by Owner. See also C2.03.C.2 below.

- The total estimated compensation for Engineer's services included in the breakdown by phases as noted in Paragraph C2.01.A.3 incorporates all labor, overhead, profit, Reimbursable Expenses, and Engineer's Consultants' charges.
- 7. The amounts billed for Engineer's services under Paragraph C2.01 will be based on the cumulative hours charged to the Project during the billing period by each class of Engineer's employees times Standard Hourly Rates for each applicable billing class, plus Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Consultants' charges.
- 8. The Standard Hourly Rates and Reimbursable Expenses Schedule will be adjusted annually (as of January 1) to reflect equitable changes in the compensation payable to Engineer.

#### C2.02 Compensation For Reimbursable Expenses

- B. Owner shall pay Engineer for all Reimbursable Expenses at the rates set forth in Appendix 1 to this Exhibit C.
- C. Reimbursable Expenses include the expenses identified in Appendix 1 and the following: transportation (including mileage), lodging, and subsistence incidental thereto; providing and maintaining field office facilities including furnishings and utilities; toll telephone calls, mobile phone charges, and courier charges; reproduction of reports, Drawings, Specifications, bidding-related or other procurement documents, Construction Contract Documents, and similar Project-related items; and Consultants' charges. In addition, if authorized in advance by Owner, Reimbursable Expenses will also include expenses incurred for the use of highly specialized equipment.
- D. The amounts payable to Engineer for Reimbursable Expenses will be the Project-related internal expenses actually incurred or allocated by Engineer, plus all invoiced external Reimbursable Expenses allocable to the Project, the latter multiplied by a factor of 1.0.

### C2.03 Other Provisions Concerning Payment

- E. Whenever Engineer is entitled to compensation for the charges of Engineer's Consultants, those charges shall be the amounts billed by Engineer's Consultants to Engineer times a factor of 1.0.
- F. Factors: The external Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Consultants' factors include Engineer's overhead and profit associated with Engineer's responsibility for the administration of such services and costs.
- G. Estimated Compensation Amounts:
  - Engineer's estimate of the amounts that will become payable for specified services are only estimates for planning purposes, are not binding on the parties, and are not the minimum or maximum amounts payable to Engineer under the Agreement.
  - 2. When estimated compensation amounts have been stated herein and it subsequently becomes apparent to Engineer that the total compensation amount thus estimated will

- 3. be exceeded, Engineer shall give Owner written notice thereof, allowing Owner to consider its options, including suspension or termination of Engineer's services for Owner's convenience. Upon notice, Owner and Engineer promptly shall review the matter of services remaining to be performed and compensation for such services. Owner shall either exercise its right to suspend or terminate Engineer's services for Owner's convenience, agree to such compensation exceeding said estimated amount, or agree to a reduction in the remaining services to be rendered by Engineer, so that total compensation for such services will not exceed said estimated amount when such services are completed. If Owner decides not to suspend the Engineer's services during the negotiations and Engineer exceeds the estimated amount before Owner and Engineer have agreed to an increase in the compensation due Engineer or a reduction in the remaining services, then Engineer shall be paid for all services rendered hereunder.
- H. To the extent necessary to verify Engineer's charges and upon Owner's timely request, Engineer shall make copies of such records available to Owner at cost.

#### **COMPENSATION PACKET RPR-2:**

#### Resident Project Representative – Standard Hourly Rates

Article 2 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

- C2.04 Compensation for Resident Project Representative Basic Services Standard Hourly Rates Method of Payment
  - A. Owner shall pay Engineer for Resident Project Representative Basic Services as follows:
  - B. Compensation for Reimbursable Expenses:
    - For those Reimbursable Expenses that are not accounted for in the compensation for Basic Services under Paragraph C2.01, and are directly related to the provision of Resident Project Representative or Post-Construction Basic Services, Owner shall pay Engineer at the rates set forth in Appendix 1 to this Exhibit C.
    - 2. Reimbursable Expenses include the expenses identified in Appendix 1 and the following: transportation (including mileage), lodging, and subsistence incidental thereto; providing and maintaining field office facilities including furnishings and utilities; subsistence and transportation of Resident Project Representative and assistants; toll telephone calls, mobile phone charges, and courier charges; reproduction of reports, Drawings, Specifications, bidding-related or other procurement documents, Construction Contract Documents, and similar Project-related items. In addition, if authorized in advance by Owner, Reimbursable Expenses will also include expenses incurred for the use of highly specialized equipment.
    - 3. The amounts payable to Engineer for Reimbursable Expenses, if any, will be those internal expenses related to the Resident Project Representative Basic Services that are actually incurred or allocated by Engineer, plus all invoiced external Reimbursable Expenses allocable to such services, the latter multiplied by a factor of .

4.	The Reimbursable Expenses	Schedule will I	be adjusted	dannually (as	of [	]) to	refl	ec
	equitable changes in the c	compensation	payable to	o Engineer.	Changes	will	not	be
	effective unless and until cor	ncurred in by t	he Owner a	and Agency.				

- C. Other Provisions Concerning Payment Under this Paragraph C2.04:
  - 1. Whenever Engineer is entitled to compensation for the charges of Engineer's Consultants, those charges shall be the amounts billed by Engineer's Consultants to Engineer times a factor of [ ].
  - 2. Factors: The external Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Consultant's factors include Engineer's overhead and profit associated with Engineer's responsibility for the administration of such services and costs.
  - 3. Estimated Compensation Amounts:
    - a. Engineer's estimate of the amounts that will become payable for specified services are only estimates for planning purposes, are not binding on the parties, and are not the minimum or maximum amounts payable to Engineer under the Agreement.
    - When estimated compensation amounts have been stated herein and it subsequently becomes apparent to Engineer that the total compensation amount thus estimated will be exceeded, Engineer shall give Owner and Agency written notice thereof, allowing Owner to consider its options, including suspension or termination of Engineer's services for Owner's convenience. Upon notice Owner and Engineer promptly shall review the matter of services remaining to be performed and compensation for such services. Owner shall either exercise its right to suspend or terminate Engineer's services for Owner's convenience, agree to such compensation exceeding said estimated amount, or agree to a reduction in the remaining services to be rendered by Engineer, so that total compensation for such services will not exceed said estimated amount when such services are completed. If Owner decides not to suspend Engineer's services during negotiations and Engineer exceeds the estimated amount before Owner and Engineer have agreed to an increase in the compensation due Engineer or a reduction in the remaining services, then Engineer shall be paid for all services rendered hereunder.
  - 4. To the extent necessary to verify Engineer's charges and upon Owner's timely request, Engineer shall make copies of such records available to Owner.

#### **COMPENSATION PACKET AS-1:**

#### Additional Services – Standard Hourly Rates

Article 2 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

- C2.05 Compensation for Additional Services Standard Hourly Rates Method of Payment
  - A. Owner shall pay Engineer for Additional Services, if any, as follows:
    - 1. General: For services of Engineer's personnel engaged directly on the Project pursuant to Paragraph A2.01 or A2.02 of Exhibit A, except for services as a consultant or witness under Paragraph A2.01.A.20, (which if needed shall be separately negotiated based on the nature of the required consultation or testimony) an amount equal to the cumulative hours charged to the Project by each class of Engineer's personnel times Standard Hourly Rates for each applicable billing class for all Additional Services performed on the Project, plus related Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Consultant's charges, if any.
  - B. Compensation For Reimbursable Expenses:
    - For those Reimbursable Expenses that are not accounted for in the compensation for Basic Services under Paragraph C2.01 and are directly related to the provision of Additional Services, Owner shall pay Engineer at the rates set forth in Appendix 1 to this Exhibit C.
    - 2. Reimbursable Expenses include the expenses identified in Appendix 1 and the following categories: transportation (including mileage), lodging, and subsistence incidental thereto; providing and maintaining field office facilities including furnishings and utilities; toll telephone calls, mobile phone charges, and courier charges; reproduction of reports, Drawings, Specifications, bidding-related or other procurement documents, Construction Contract Documents, and similar Project-related items; and Consultants' charges. In addition, if authorized in advance by Owner, Reimbursable Expenses will also include expenses incurred for the use of highly specialized equipment.
    - 3. The amounts payable to Engineer for Reimbursable Expenses, if any, will be the Additional Services-related internal expenses actually incurred or allocated by Engineer, plus all invoiced external Reimbursable Expenses allocable to such Additional Services, the latter multiplied by a factor of 1.0.
    - 4. The Reimbursable Expenses Schedule will be adjusted annually (as of January 1st) to reflect equitable changes in the compensation payable to Engineer. Changes will not be effective unless and until concurred in by the Owner and Agency.
  - C. Other Provisions Concerning Payment for Additional Services:

- 1. Whenever Engineer is entitled to compensation for the charges of Engineer's Consultants, those charges shall be the amounts billed by Engineer's Consultants to Engineer times a factor of 1.0.
- Factors: The external Reimbursable Expenses and Engineer's Consultant's Factors
  include Engineer's overhead and profit associated with Engineer's responsibility for the
  administration of such services and costs.
- 3. To the extent necessary to verify Engineer's charges and upon Owner's timely request, Engineer shall make copies of such records available to Owner at no cost.

This is Appendix 1 to EXHIBIT C, consisting of 1 pages, referred to in and part of the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services dated June  $12,\,2023$ .

## **Reimbursable Expenses Schedule**

Reimbursable Expenses are subject to review and adjustment per Exhibit C. Rates and charges for Reimbursable Expenses as of the date of the Agreement are:

8"x11" Copies/Impressions	\$ 0.08/page
Copies of Drawings	\$ 4.00 / each
Mileage (auto)	\$ GSA Mileage Rate
Air Transportation	N/A
Laboratory Testing	at cost
Health and Safety Level D	N/A
Health and Safety Level C	N/A
Meals and Lodging	at cost

This is **Appendix 2 to EXHIBIT C**, consisting of 1 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023.

## **Standard Hourly Rates Schedule**

#### A. Standard Hourly Rates:

- Standard Hourly Rates are set forth in this Appendix 2 to this Exhibit C and include salaries and wages paid to personnel in each billing class plus the cost of customary and statutory benefits, general and administrative overhead, non-project operating costs, and operating margin or profit.
- 2. The Standard Hourly Rates apply only as specified in Article C2.

#### B. Schedule:

Hourly rates for services performed on or after the date of the Agreement are:

Project Principal	\$170.00-\$200.00/hour
Project Manager	\$110.00-\$170.00/hour
Project Engineer	\$100.00-\$155.00/hour
Staff Engineer	\$80.00-\$110.00/hour
Staff Technician	\$70.00-\$120.00/hour
Field Technician	\$65.00-\$100.00/hour
CAD Operator	\$75.00-\$110.00/hour
Administrative	\$65.00-\$80.00/hour

This is **EXHIBIT D**, consisting of 5 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023.

## Duties, Responsibilities, and Limitations of Authority of Resident Project Representative

Article 1 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

## **ARTICLE 1 - SERVICES OF ENGINEER**

#### D1.01 Resident Project Representative

- A. Engineer shall furnish a Resident Project Representative ("RPR") to assist Engineer in observing progress and quality of the Work. The RPR may provide full time representation or may provide representation to a lesser degree. RPR is 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. Full time Resident Project Representative is required unless requested in writing by the Owner and waived in writing by the Agency.
- B. Through RPR's observations of the Work, including field checks of materials and installed equipment, Engineer shall endeavor to provide further protection for Owner against defects and deficiencies in the Work. However, Engineer shall not, as a result of such RPR observations of the Work, supervise, direct, or have control over the Work, nor shall Engineer (including the RPR) have authority over or responsibility for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction selected or used by any Constructor, for security or safety at the Site, for safety precautions and programs incident to the Work or any Constructor's work in progress, for the coordination of the Constructors' work or schedules, or for any failure of any Constructor to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the performing and furnishing of its work. The Engineer (including RPR) neither guarantees the performances of any Constructor nor assumes responsibility for any Constructor's failure to furnish and perform the Work, or any portion of the Work, in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents. In addition, the specific terms set forth in Exhibit A, Paragraph A1.05, of this Agreement are applicable.
- C. The duties and responsibilities of the RPR are as follows:
  - 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, schedule of values, and other schedules prepared by Contractor and consult with Engineer concerning acceptability of such schedules.
  - 3. *Conferences and Meetings:* Attend meetings with Contractor, such as preconstruction conferences, progress meetings, job conferences, and other Project-related meetings

(but not including Contractor's safety meetings), and as appropriate prepare and circulate copies of minutes thereof.

4. Safety Compliance: Comply with Site safety programs, as they apply to RPR, and if required to do so by such safety programs, receive safety training specifically related to RPR's own personal safety while at the Site.

#### 5. 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 Construction 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.
- 6. Clarifications and Interpretations: Receive from Contractor submittal of any matters in question concerning the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents (sometimes referred to as requests for information or interpretation—RFIs), or relating to the acceptability of the Work under the Construction Contract Documents. Report to Engineer regarding such RFIs. Report to Engineer when clarifications and interpretations of the Construction Contract Documents are needed, whether as the result of a Contractor RFI or otherwise. Transmit Engineer's clarifications, interpretations, and decisions to Contractor.

## 7. Shop Drawings and Samples:

- a. Record date of receipt of Samples and Contractor-approved Shop Drawings.
- b. Receive Samples that 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, if RPR believes that the submittal has not been received from Contractor, or has not been approved by Contractor or Engineer.
- 8. Proposed Modifications: Consider and evaluate Contractor's suggestions for modifications to the Drawings or Specifications, and report such suggestions, together with RPR's recommendations, if any, to Engineer. Transmit Engineer's response (if any) to such suggestions to Contractor.
- 9. Review of Work; Defective Work:
  - a. Report to Engineer whenever RPR believes that any part of the Work is defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract

Documents, and provide recommendations as to whether such Work should be corrected, removed and replaced, or accepted as provided in the Construction Contract Documents.

- b. Inform Engineer of any Work that RPR believes is not defective under the terms and standards set forth in the Construction Contract Documents, but is nonetheless not compatible with the design concept of the completed Project as a functioning whole, and provide recommendations to Engineer for addressing such Work.; and
- c. Advise Engineer of that part of the Work that RPR believes should be uncovered for observation, or requires special testing, inspection, or approval.

#### 10. Inspections, Tests, and System Start-ups:

- a. Consult with Engineer in advance of scheduled inspections, tests, and systems start-ups.
- b. 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.
- c. Observe, record, and report to Engineer appropriate details relative to the test procedures and systems start-ups.
- d. Observe whether Contractor has arranged for inspections required by Laws and Regulations, including but not limited to those to be performed by public or other agencies having jurisdiction over the Work.
- e. Accompany visiting inspectors representing public or other agencies having jurisdiction over the Work, record the results of these inspections, and report to Engineer.

## 11. Records:

- a. Maintain at the Site orderly files for correspondence, reports of job conferences, copies of Construction Contract Documents including all Change Orders, Field Orders, Work Change Directives, Addenda, additional Drawings issued subsequent to the execution of the Construction Contract, RFIs, Engineer's clarifications and interpretations of the Construction Contract Documents, progress reports, approved Shop Drawing and Sample submittals, and other Project-related documents.
- b. 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.

- c. Upon request from Owner to Engineer, photograph or video Work in progress or Site conditions.
- d. Record and maintain accurate, up-to-date lists of the names, addresses, fax numbers, e-mail addresses, websites, and telephone numbers (including mobile numbers) of all Contractors, Subcontractors, and major Suppliers of materials and equipment.
- e. Maintain records for use in preparing Project documentation.
- f. Upon completion of the Work, furnish original set of all RPR Project documentation to Engineer.
- g. Maintain all Manufacturers' Certification letters in the project file and on site during construction to ensure compliance with American and Iron Steel requirements mandated by Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference, as applicable.

## 12. Reports:

- 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. Furnish to Engineer and Owner copies of all inspection, test, and system start-up reports.
- c. Immediately inform Engineer of the occurrence of any Site accidents, emergencies, acts of God endangering the Work, possible force majeure or delay events, damage to property by fire or other causes, or the discovery of any potential differing site condition or Constituent of Concern.
- 13. 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.
- 14. 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.

## 15. Completion:

- a. Participate in Engineer's visits to the Site regarding Substantial Completion, assist in the determination of Substantial Completion, and prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Substantial Completion submit a punch list of observed items requiring completion or correction.
- b. Participate in Engineer's visit to the Site in the company of Owner and Contractor, to determine completion of the Work, and prepare a final punch list of items to be completed or corrected by Contractor.
- c. Observe whether all items on the final punch list have been completed or corrected, and make recommendations to Engineer concerning acceptance and issuance of the Notice of Acceptability of the Work (Exhibit E).

#### D. Resident Project Representative shall not:

- 1. Authorize any deviation from the Construction Contract Documents or substitution of materials or equipment (including "or-equal" items).
- 2. Exceed limitations of Engineer's authority as set forth in this Agreement.
- 3. Undertake any of the responsibilities of Contractor, Subcontractors, or Suppliers, or any Constructor.
- Advise on, issue directions relative to, or assume control over any aspect of the means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of the Work, by Contractor or any other Constructor.
- 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.

This is **EXHIBIT E**, consisting of 2 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023.



## **NOTICE OF ACCEPTABILITY OF WORK**

PROJECT:	
OWNER:	
CONTRACTOR	₹:
OWNER'S CO	NSTRUCTION CONTRACT IDENTIFICATION:
EFFECTIVE DA	ATE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT:
ENGINEER:	
NOTICE DAT	E:
То:	
	Owner
And To:	
	Contractor
From:	
	Engineer
The Engineer	hereby gives notice to the above Owner and Contractor that Engineer has recommended
	t of Contractor, and that the Work furnished and performed by Contractor under the above
	Contract is acceptable, expressly subject to the provisions of the related Contract
	the Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services dated, and the ms and conditions of this Notice:

#### CONDITIONS OF NOTICE OF ACCEPTABILITY OF WORK

The Notice of Acceptability of Work ("Notice") is expressly made subject to the following terms and conditions to which all those who receive said Notice and rely thereon agree:

- 1. This Notice is given with the skill and care ordinarily used by members of the engineering profession practicing under similar conditions at the same time and in the same locality.
- 2. This Notice reflects and is an expression of the Engineer's professional opinion.
- 3. This Notice is given as to the best of Engineer's knowledge, information, and belief as of the Notice Date.
- 4. This Notice is based entirely on and expressly limited by the scope of services Engineer has been employed by Owner to perform or furnish during construction of the Project (including observation of the Contractor's work) under Engineer's Agreement with Owner, and applies only to facts that are within Engineer's knowledge or could reasonably have been ascertained by Engineer as a result of carrying out the responsibilities specifically assigned to Engineer under such Agreement.
- 5. This Notice is not a guarantee or warranty of Contractor's performance under the Construction Contract, an acceptance of Work that is not in accordance with the related Contract Documents, including but not limited to defective Work discovered after final inspection, nor an assumption of responsibility for any failure of Contractor to furnish and perform the Work thereunder in accordance with the Construction Contract Documents, or to otherwise comply with the Construction Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein.
- This Notice does not relieve Contractor of any surviving obligations under the Construction Contract, and is subject to Owner's reservations of rights with respect to completion and final payment.

Ву:			
Title:			
Dated:			

This is **EXHIBIT G**, consisting of 2 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023.

#### Insurance

Paragraph 6.05 of the Agreement is supplemented to include the following agreement of the parties:

#### G6.05 Insurance

- A. The limits of liability for the insurance required by Paragraph 6.05.A and 6.05.B of the Agreement are as follows:
  - 1. By Engineer:

a.	Workers' Compensation:	Statutory
b.	Employer's Liability	
1) 2) 3)	Bodily injury, each accident: Bodily injury by disease, each employee: Bodily injury/disease, aggregate:	\$1,000,000 \$10,000 \$1,000,000
C.	General Liability	
1) 2)	Each Occurrence: General Aggregate:	\$1,000,000 \$2,000,000
d.	Excess or Umbrella Liability	
1) 2)	Per Occurrence: General Aggregate:	\$3,000,000 \$3,000,000
	Automobile Liability: mbined Single Limit odily Injury and Property Damage)	\$1,000,000
f.	Professional Liability –	
1) 2)	Each Claim Made Annual Aggregate	\$1,000,000 \$2,000,000

## 2. By Owner:

a.	Workers' Compensation:	Statutory
b.	Employer's Liability	
1) 2) 3)	Bodily injury, Each Accident Bodily injury by Disease, Each Employee Bodily injury/Disease, Aggregate	\$1,000,000 \$10,000 \$1,000,000
c.	General Liability	
1) 2)	General Aggregate: Each Occurrence:	\$2,000,000 \$1,000,000
d.	Excess Umbrella Liability	
1) 2)	Per Occurrence: General Aggregate:	\$3,000,000 \$3,000,000
	Automobile Liability: mbined Single Limit odily Injury and Property Damage)	\$1,000,000

## B. Additional Insureds:

1. The following individuals or entities are to be listed on Owner's general liability policies of insurance as additional insureds:

Aldrich + Ellio	tt, PC		
Engineer			
L J			
Engineer's Co	nsultant		

- 2. During the term of this Agreement the Engineer shall notify Owner of any other Consultant to be listed as an additional insured on Owner's general liability policies of insurance.
- 3. The Owner shall be listed on Engineer's general liability policy as provided in Paragraph 6.05.A.

This is **EXHIBIT J**, consisting of 4 pages, referred to in and part of the **Agreement between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services** dated June 12, 2023.

## **Special Provisions**

Paragraph(s) A1.01 of the Agreement is/are amended to include the following agreement(s) of the parties:

#### INTRODUCTION

The Village of Barton owns and operates a lagoon-based wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) with a permitted capacity of 0.265 million gallons per day (mgd). The WWTF is a "super-primary" plant consisting of two lagoons, tertiary treatment, hypochlorite disinfection, and several related structures. The WWTF is served by a main pump station located at the ballfields, and includes grit removal and a manually-cleaned bar screen. Both of these facilities were constructed ca. 1980. Some equipment replacement and refurbishment has been completed at these facilities over the years, but both are in need of a more comprehensive refurbishment or age-related upgrade.

A rudimentary 20-year evaluation was completed by Leach Engineering in 2008. Further evaluation of the collection system is needed, but will be conducted under a separate agreement at a later date.

Since the Village would like to utilize CWSRF and/or USDA funds for this project, the next step will be to complete a preliminary engineering report (PER) and Environmental Information Document (EID) to meet CWSRF and USDA program requirements.

#### **SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Professional engineering consultant services are to be performed by the ENGINEER as follows.

#### I. Preliminary Engineering Study (Step I)

A preliminary engineering report will be prepared and will follow the CWSRF-required format.

#### **Project Planning**

Overall project and site-related information will be described per CWSRF and USDA program requirements, to include:

- Project location
- Previous studies
- Population trends
- Community engagement
- Environmental resources present in the project area, or other significant regulatory issues

## **Existing Conditions**

Existing background information will be gathered for review and relevant background information will be

documented in the study. A partial list of the existing information available is provided below.

- WWTF and Ballpark pump station record drawings (1980)
- 20-year Evaluation (2008)
- Bid solicitation and project closeout documents (2014)
- Village sewer budgets and financial information
- State of Vermont inspection reports
- Facility discharge permit
- Other information as available

#### **Operating Data**

Up to 3 years of operating data will be reviewed, charted, and summarized to evaluate existing hydraulic and organic loadings on the facility as well as evaluate the adequacy of the existing treatment process components. Operating data will be based on the facility's WR-43's, as well as supplemental data provided by the operator.

## **Need for Project**

The above information will be summarized to describe the need for the project. Health, sanitation, and security issues will be discussed, and reasonable future growth of the system will be considered.

#### **Alternatives Considered**

Preliminary design criteria for the project will be developed, to include:

- Projected hydraulic and organic loadings
- Existing discharge permit limits
- Other regulatory requirements
- Design standards

A preliminary screening of various process or equipment options will be conducted.

Technical alternatives for refurbishment of the WWTF and Main Pump Station will be developed. Alternatives to be considered may include:

- Lagoons: Refurbish lagoons (sludge removal, liners, aeration) or convert to extended aeration or SBR treatment
- Tertiary Treatment: Refurbish existing unit, chemical precipitation only, or new technology (cloth disk filtration, etc.)
- Sludge Dewatering: Geotube laydown area

Other portions of the facilities will be evaluated as age-related only:

- Main Pump Station screening, grit removal, screenings/grit storage
- Main Pump Station electrical & mechanical systems
- Control building basement waterproofing
- Disinfection chemical storage & feed

- Control building electrical & mechanical systems
- Disinfection structure and sludge storage tank enclosures/covers
- Other miscellaneous age-related needs identified with input from the Village and/or the ANR

For the alternatives and age-related improvements, the following will be prepared:

- Estimated construction costs
- Estimated O&M costs
- Non-monetary factors

#### Selection of an alternative

A lifecycle cost analysis and non-monetary evaluation will be conducted to select preferred alternatives, which will form the basis for the proposed project.

## **Proposed Project**

A proposed project will be developed to include the following:

- Narrative description of the improvements
- Preliminary site plan/layout figures
- Estimated total project cost
- Permit requirements
- Land/easement requirements
- Project schedule
- Available funding sources
- Recommended bond amount
- Impacts to sewer rates

#### **Conclusions and Recommendations**

Conclusions and recommendations will be provided, to include:

- Key findings from the study
- Next steps

#### **Meetings**

The ENGINEER will conduct 30% and 60% review meetings with the OWNER, State (WID, NPDES), and USDA. The ENGINEER will meet with the Village's Board of Trustees at 90% to review the results of the study.

## II. Special Services

An environmental information document (EID) will be prepared using the CWSRF-approved template. Consultation with the required regulatory agencies (USDA, SHPO, AAFM, US Fish & Wildlife) will be coordinated. Since the project is primarily age-related and will take place within the existing WWTF and Ballpark Pump Station areas, it is assumed that no on-site evaluations will be needed. Additionally, the

Engineer will prepare a presentation for and attend up to two (2) public hearings as required for the project to receive FONSI (Finding of No Significant Impact) approvel.

If the proposed changes to the facility are significant enough to require an amended Reasonable Potential Determination (RPD) or NPDES permit, a RPD request and/or Discharge Permit amendment application will be prepared and submitted.

#### I. Additional Services

In addition to the foregoing being performed, the following services shall be provided only when mutually agreed upon in writing by and between the OWNER and the ENGINEER's compensation and time duration of the Agreement. Additional Services will commence when incorporated into this scope of services by written Amendment signed by both parties. Examples of Additional Services available are:

- A. Bond vote assistance
- B. Preparation of an RD apply funding application
- C. Subsurface investigation
- D. Archeological resource assessment
- E. Topographical or boundary survey
- F. Other additional services not identified herein, but which may become necessary at a later date.

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between	Owr	ner and	Engir	ieer	for	Profe	ssional
Services	dated	June	12, 20	)23			

# AMENDMENT TO OWNER-ENGINEER AGREEMENT Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

The Effective Date of this Amendment is:	
Background Data	
Effective Date of Owner-Engineer Agreement:	
Owner:	
Engineer:	
Project:	
Nature of Amendment: [Check those that are applicab	le and delete those that are inapplicable.]
Additional Services to be performed by Eng	gineer
Modifications to services of Engineer	
Modifications to responsibilities of Owner	
Modifications of payment to Engineer	
Modifications to time(s) for rendering servi	ices
Modifications to other terms and condition	ns of the Agreement
Description of Modifications:	
Here describe the modifications, in as much attachment if necessary.	specificity and detail as needed. Use an
Agreement Summary:	
Original agreement amount:  Net change for prior amendments: This amendment amount: Adjusted Agreement amount:  Change in time for services (days or date, as applications)	\$ \$ \$ \$
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The foregoing Agreement Summary is for reference only and does not alter the terms of the Agreement, including those set forth in Exhibit C.

Owner and Engineer hereby agree to modify the above-referenced Agreement as set forth in this Amendment. All provisions of the Agreement not modified by this or previous Amendments remain in effect.

OWNER:	ENGINEER:
By: Print name:	By: Print name:
Title:	Title:
Date Signed:	Date Signed:

# **Water Infrastructure**

FINANCING PROGRAMS



# **State Revolving Loan Programs**

# **FUNDING APPLICATION**

<u>IMPORTANT</u> : Please select the Type of Entity and Loan Type(s) before completing the application. This information is used to set up the rest of the form.  This form MUST be completed electronically, handwritten applications will not be accepted.							
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○ Homeowners Association	n, LLC, Proprietorship, 501(c	:)3 Non-l	Profit, or othe	r similar e	ntity		
LOAN TYPE							
This section may be completed by er	ngineer or applicant						
	Please submit a draft Engineerin	g Services .	Agreement with th	his applicatio	on if applicat	ole	
This loan will be used for (se	elect all that apply):						
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Step III Drinking Water L	_		_	·			(Construction)
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APPLICANT INFORMATION							
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Barton Village, Inc.							Jun 12, 2023
SYSTEM NAME				WSID NUM	IDED		WASTEWATER PERMIT NUMBER
Barton Village, Inc.				WSID NOW	IDEN		3-1202
MAILING ADDRESS		TOWN		J L	STATE	ZIP	5 .202
PO Box 519		Barton			VT	05822	2
PHONE	CELL PHONE	TAX ID			SAM UNIQU		
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CONTACT PERSON - AUTH	ORIZED REPRESENTATIV	Е					
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CONTACT NAME			TITLE				
Tim Dagesse			Wastewater N	<i>N</i> anager			
MAILING ADDRESS		TOWN			STATE	ZIP	
PO Box 519		Barton			VT	05822	

PHONE	CELL PHONE		EMAIL ADDRESS			
802-525-3219	802-323-7742		wwmanager@bartonvt.com			
ALTERNATE AUTHORIZED RE	PRESENTATIVE(S)					
This section may be completed by engir						
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE NAME			TITLE			
Crystal Currier			VPPSA Member Suppor	t Advisor [E	BVI Business Mgr]	
MAILING ADDRESS		TOWN		STATE	ZIP	
PO Box 519		Barton	ı	VT	05822	
PHONE	CELL PHONE		EMAIL ADDRESS			
802-882-8501	802-839-0709		ccurrier@vppsa.com			
Add Alternate Representative						
ENGINEERING FIRM & REPRE	SENTATIVE (or Legal Fir	m and	Attorney's Name if th	nis is a So	ource Protection Loan)	
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FIRM NAME			CONTACT NAME			
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6 Market Place Suite 2		Essex J	Junction	VT	05452	
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LOAN REQUEST						
This section may be completed by engir	neer or applicant					
Duning t Title Dayton Westerne	t F:  !#!	4-				
Project Title: Barton Wastewa	ter Facilities improvemen	ts				
Total amount requested for th	is loan: \$ 28,100					
Total projected project cost:	\$ 3,500,000					
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loan and the total projected p		neeaea	to cover the difference	between	the amount requested for this	
. , .						
Subsequent work will be fund	ed using CWSRF, USDA, o	r simila	r programs.			
Please describe the history of t	the project:					
Barton Village's wastewater in		rofurbic	hmant This phase of t	ho project	t will focus on the Village's	
wastewater treatment facility		reiurbis	anment. This phase of t	ne projeci	t will focus on the village's	
ŕ	Transferrate a cutificate facility and main parity station.					
Please describe who will bene	Please describe who will benefit from the proposed project:					
Sewer users in and around the						
Total Section and discount the						

Do current and potential customers have alternative sources of water and is the proposed project the best and most costeffective alternative?

No, current and potential customers do not have alternative means of wastewater disposal. As part of this study, the costeffectiveness of the proposed project will be established.

Please provide a description of the project as it relates to this loan. Include specifications and materials used, water sources, and treatment facilities (attach sheets if necessary):

This loan will cover Step I (planning) for the project.

Please include estimated or actual project cost summary/estimate of probable project costs.

Is the Applicant interested in sponsoring a Water Infrastructure Sponsorship Program (WISPr) project?

Yes

No

# SITE INFORMATION

This section may be completed by engineer or applicant

An attorney's legal opinion may be required regarding the site or sites where the project will be located. The Facilities Engineering Division's Construction Section will make this determination for the project.

Do you own all land or possess all the easements or rights-of-ways for project sites?

Yes No

## **ESTIMATED PROJECT SCHEDULE**

This section should be completed by the engineer

**Estimated Project Initiation Date:** 

Jun 15, 2023

**Estimated Project Completion Date:** 

Feb 15, 2024

#### ESTIMATED SPENDING SCHEDULE OF LOAN PROCEEDS

This section may be completed by engineer or applicant

Quarter	Year	Amount
July - September	2023	\$10,000
October - December	2023	\$10,000
January - March	2024	\$8,100
Add Another Quarter	TOTAL>	\$28,100

## **REVENUES**

This section should be completed by the applicant

What is the Applicant's fiscal year?

Calendar Year

User Rate Revenue Table

	Current FY - 2	Current FY - 1	Current FY (estimated)	Current FY + 1 (estimated)	Current FY + 2 (estimated)
Amount Billed	\$303,307	\$286,600	\$355,000		
Amount Collected	\$293,680	\$285,024	\$350,500		
Amount Uncollected/Outstanding	\$9,627	\$1,576	\$4,500		
Estimated Amount of Commercial Revenue					

Does the system use tax revenue to support any utility related activities, including capital projects?

What is the source of the revenue (special assessment, general fund, 1%, impact fees, etc.)?

Barton budgets tax assessed revenues for capital projects.

Will taxes or fees need to be adjusted based on the proposed project?

Yes No

Please describe how taxes or fees need to be adjusted based on the proposed project.

Barton will need to conduct an analysis of its current rates and determine if the project will result in a need to change its current rate structure for user fees

Taxes Supporting System Revenue					
	Current FY - 2	Current FY - 1	Current FY	Current FY + 1	Current FY + 2
Amount Billed	\$54,376	\$54,043	\$57,165		
Amount Collected	\$51,921	\$50,118	\$2,500		
Amount Uncollected/Outstanding	\$2,455	\$3,925	\$54,665		

EXPENDITURES / SYSTEM OPERATION & MAINTENANCE EXPENSES	
This section should be completed by the applicant	
Current Fiscal Year O&M Costs (exclusive of debt and reserve fund payments):	\$353,949
Post Project Fiscal Year O&M Costs (exclusive of debt and reserve fund payments):	\$353,949

Please attach a copy of your actual YTD revenue and expenses, and projected budget.

EXPENDITURES / SYSTEM DEBT					
This section should be completed by the applicant					
What is the applicant's total long-term outstanding debt?  What is the applicant's total annual long-term debt payment?	\$374,128 \$30,479				
Direct Debt					

	Current FY	Current FY + 1	Current FY + 2	Current FY + 3	Current FY + 4	Current FY + 5
Total Payment	\$30,479	\$27,190	\$27,343	\$27,496	\$27,649	\$27,800

Long-Term Debt Schedule						
Purpose of Long-Term Debt	Direct or Self-Supporting	Year of Maturity	\$ Amount Outstanding			
Waterwater Infrastructure Impr	Direct	2036	\$53,515			
Waterwater Infrastructure Impr	Direct	2042	\$320,613			
Add Another Long-Term Debt	Total As of>		\$374,128			

Purpose of Long-Term Debt	Self-Supporting	Maturity	Outstanding
Waterwater Infrastructure Impr	Direct	2036	\$53,515
Waterwater Infrastructure Impr	Direct	2042	\$320,613
Add Another Long-Term Debt	Total As of>		\$374,128
Does the Applicant have any future borrowing plans over the	he next 5 years?		
• Yes No			
Please describe the system's future borrowing plans.			
It is anticipated that future phases of this project (final design, construction) as well as other improvements to the system will require borrowing.			
Are there other capital projects in the near term (5 years)?			
Please describe those other capital projects planned for the near term (5 years)?			
Other system improvements such as collection system refurbishment and/or sludge cleanout.			
Does the Applicant have an annual or cumulative deficit?			
Please describe your plans to retire the system's annual or cumulative deficit and to avoid deficits in the future.			
Adjust user fees and/or tax revenues			
Does the Applicant intend to increase user's fees/charges to	o pay for this debt serv	vice:	
Please describe your plan to increase user's fees/charges to pay for this debt service:			
This will be a combination of user fees and/or tax revenues			
Does the Applicant anticipate an increase in revenues as a r	result of these improve	ements?	
○ Yes ● No			
Does the Applicant anticipate a reduction in operating expenses as a result of these improvements?			
Please explain the reduction in operating expenses you anticipate will result from these improvements.			
The improvements will reduce the amount of maintenance-intensive aging equipment in use in the system.			

What are the economic trends in your service area - jobs, population increases/decreases, housing starts, property values, etc.? For Mobile Home Parks, please provide an occupancy history for the past five (5) years.					
Barton is relatively small community so population fluxuates on a small scale - between 2019 to 2021 pop decreased by approx 20 residents or 2.9%  Median income is very low at \$33,235 in CY 2021, an increase of approx 1.6% or \$549 from 2019 median of \$32,686					
List any current or potential connect	ions using greater	than 5% of demand	d or provide a gene	eral description of s	service area.
Small village, service area is primarily consolidated to residential/commercial customers in this area.  Also service the Glover community.					
SYSTEM RESERVE FUNDS					
This section should be completed by the applie	ant				
Does the Applicant have any reserv	e funds?				
○ Yes • No					
Is the Applicant actively contributing	g to reserve funds	in accordance with	n a short-term Ass	et Replacement Ta	ble (START)?
What does the Applicant do with su	rpluses, if any?				
The budget does include an annual amount to transfer for major and/or capital repairs; however, due to recent costs, those amounts have been utilized.					
		Reserve Funds			
	Current FY	Current FY + 1	Current FY + 2	Current FY + 3	Current FY + 4
Amount Available	\$28,000	\$0	Current 1 + 2	Cullent 1 + 3	Currenti 1 + 4
Financial Documentation & Cont	rols				
This section should be completed by the applie	ant				
Has anything occurred since the da negative effect on your revenues, e				nent that would ha	ive a significantly
○ Yes ● No					
Did the Applicant have more than one budget defeat in the last two years?					
○ Yes ● No					
Does the Applicant have any pending litigation in excess of \$10,000 on the system and/or the municipality?					
○ Yes ● No					
Does the Applicant offer a retirement plan to its employees (including VMERS)?					
Please describe your plan, your estimated proportionate share of unfunded pension liability:					
The village employees are covered under the State of Vermont's VMERS plans. Employer contribution is currently 5.875% Barton books its share of the State's net pension liability but it does not have additional cash outflow beyond the employer contribution as listed above.					

If the Applicant has its own retirement plan separate from VMERS, does it have any unfunded pension liabilities?
○ Yes
Describe the Applicant's budget control system. Does the Applicant use multi-year forecasting or interim (quarterly or monthly) financial reports to monitor your status?
Barton does not have a multi year budget but it does produce monthly financial reports with the actual vs budget comparison.
Are all account records currently maintained for:
Checkbook • Yes O No O Don't Know By Whom: Crystal Currier
Comments:
AP is processed by office staff and reconciled by Crystal Currier
Receipts   No Don't Know By Whom: Crystal Currier
Comments:
Office staff reconciles the receipts on a daily basis and Crystal reconciles the monthly bank statements
Disbursements • Yes O No O Don't Know By Whom: Crystal Currier
Comments:
Office staff issues the disbursements, they are reviewed by Crystal and Crystal reconciles the monthly bank statements
Deposit Slips • Yes O No O Don't Know By Whom: Office staff and Crystal Currier
Comments:
Office staff reconciles the receipts on a daily basis and Crystal reconciles the monthly bank statements
Are bank statements reconciled on a regular basis?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:    Crystal Currier
Comments:
Are bank accounts and ledger balances reconciled on a monthly basis?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:    Crystal Currier
Comments:
Are financial records maintained in a computerized system?
Yes O No O Don't Know By Whom: Office staff
Comments:

Are any financial records maintained in manual form?	
○ Yes ● No ○ Don't Know By Whom:	
Comments:	
Does the applicant maintain separate reporting for this utility?	
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:    All office staff	
Comments:	
Accounts and financial reporting is segregated by fund - including wastewater	
Does someone other than the treasurer receive unopened bank statements and	review bank reconciliations?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:    Crystal Currier	
Comments:	
Does the same individual open the mail and deposit checks?	
○ Yes      No ○ Don't Know By Whom: Office Staff	
Comments:	
Two office individuals open mail and make deposits. Statements are reconciled	by Crystal Currier
Does the organization receive payments in cash?	
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom: Office staff	
Comments:	
Two office individuals take cash deposits and make deposits to the bank.	
Does the Applicant have pre-numbered receipt books for cash payments?	
○ Yes ○ No ● Don't Know By Whom:	
Comments:	
Are checks always written to specified payees and not to cash?	
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:	
Comments:	

Are pre-numbered checks used for all bank accounts?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:
Comments:
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Are checks written by the same individual who approves payments?
○ Yes  No  On't Know By Whom: Office staff/Crystal Currier
Comments:
Emily Marlow (office staff) processes AP checks/invoices are approved by various dept managers, reviewed by C. Currier and then approved by the Village Board via warrant
Have there have been any shape as in another insertings diving the fixed year?
Have there been any changes in authorized signatures during the fiscal year?  • Yes O No O Don't Know By Whom:
Comments:
With the change in Village Trustees, the authorized signatures changed
Has a signature stamp ever been used for any account?
○ Yes ● No ○ Don't Know By Whom:
Comments:
Is the organization professionally audited by a CPA?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom: Kittell Branagan & Sargent, CPAs
Comments:
Does the Authorized Representative assist in the audit planning process?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:    Crystal Currier
Comments:
Is a specific individual responsible for correcting audit findings?
Yes    No    Don't Know    By Whom:
Comments:

Are regular financial reports prepa	ared for the b	pard?
● Yes ○ No ○ Don't Know	By Whom:	Crystal Currier
Comments:		
Are budget to actual reports prep		
Yes    No    Don't Know	By Whom:	Crystal Currier
Comments:		
Has the Authorized Representative	e borrowed n	noney from the utility?
○ Yes ○ No ● Don't Know	By Whom:	
Comments:		
Not sure I understand the questio no. No one has borrowed funds f		orized representative is the person representing the utility, then the answer is ewater facility.
Has the organization had a theft, or	embezzlemen	t or wire fraud in the last 5 years?
○ Yes ● No ○ Don't Know	By Whom:	
Comments:		
Not that I am aware of.		
Has the Treasurer or CFO participa	ited in any bu	siness which does business with the system/utility?
○ Yes ○ No ● Don't Know	By Whom:	Crystal Currier
Comments:		
		hnically work for Vermont Public Power Supply Authority. Barton Village is a and management services for Barton via contract with VPPSA.
Does the Applicant loan money to	employees?	
○ Yes    No    Don't Know	By Whom:	
Comments:		
Have board members attended fir	nancial trainir	gs?
	By Whom:	
Comments:		
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# **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

Provide any additional comments for your application here:

The revenues, both user fees and tax assessments will need to be reviewed to determine future rates both for O&M and capital expenditures. This has not been completed at this time.

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Submit completed application and all attachments via email to:



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**Department of Environmental Conservation** Water Investment Division

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## Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees

From: Crystal Currier Date: 06/12/2023

Subject: Memphremagog Watershed Association Project

Agenda: Agenda Item "E"

Patrick Hurley, Project Manager of the Memphremagog Watershed Association will be present to discuss the proposed project. As Gina Lyon reported at the meeting on May 22, 2023, the Association is looking for the Board's support as the governing body – this will help the Association with seeking funding opportunities for the project.

In addition, an easement from the Village may be needed as the land where a portion of the project is located is on village property. Mr. Hurley will be present to describe the project and what is needed in more detail.

Suggested Motion: TBD

Regular Trustees Meeting Monday, May 22, 2023 6:00 pm Barton Village Memorial Hall MINUTES

Attendance: Gina Lyon (Chair), Ellis Merchant, Marilyn Prue, Crystal Currier, David Billado, Ed Helm (Greater Barton Arts), Ed Barber (Newport Daily News), Mary Anne Royer, Rich Royer, Justin Peart, Lucas DiMauro

- A. Call to Order 6:05pm
- B. **Changes to the Agenda/Additions or Deletions** Trustee Prue requested to add a coin drop application from Orleans Fireman's Association to Agenda Item E.
- C. Privilege of the Floor:
  - **a.** Rich Royer and Maryann Royer were present and introduced themselves. They are organizing the village-wide yard sale that is happening on June 24<sup>th</sup> (this is the 25<sup>th</sup> year!). Maryann mentioned that the coin drop for the Glover Barton Senior Meals Group is also occurring on the same day.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

- D. **Minutes from Regular Board of Trustees Meeting May 8, 2023** Trustee Merchant motioned to approve the minutes from the meeting on 05/08/2023. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lyon. Motion approved.
- E. **Coin Drop Applications** The Village received three coin drop applications: 1) Lake Region Boys Varsity Soccer 07/15/23, 2) Glover Barton Senior Meals Group 06/24/23 and 3) Orleans Fireman's Association 05/27/23.

Trustee Prue mentioned that we should remind the applicants that those participating must be at least 16 years of age.

Trustee Merchant made a motion to approve the three coin drop applications: 1) Lake Region Boys Varsity Soccer 07/15/23, 2) Glover Barton Senior Meals Group 06/24/23 and 3) Orleans Fireman's Association 05/27/23. Motion seconded by Trustee Prue. Motion approved. Crystal Currier will contact the organizers to remind them of the need for insurance information and other rules around coin drops such as approval by Andy Sicard.

F. Hydro DG Building Power Removal/Reconfiguration – At the BOT meeting held on May 8<sup>th</sup>, Barton's hydro operator was present to introduce himself and discuss items of concern at the hydro facility. A significant concern is the diesel generating building and the power configuration at that location. This current electric setup needs to be removed and reconfigured to meet the hydro generator needs. Quotes for this work have been difficult to obtain. One quote from MEI at a cost of \$11,800 has been received and Denis recommends that the village move ahead with the work due to safety concerns.

Trustee Merchant requested that Denis obtain a second estimate for the work if possible.

Trustee Prue made a motion to request that Denis try to obtain a second estimate and approve the project at a cost not to exceed \$11,800 and requested Denis work with the vendor to get the power infrastructure removed and reconfigured as needed. Seconded by Trustee Merchant. Motion approved.

G. Wastewater Fencing and Fire Alarm — Tim Dagesse, Barton's wastewater facility operator has presented quotes for two projects: 1) Perimeter Fencing with a Sliding entrance gate and 2) Repair to the existing Fire Alarm System.

**Fencing/Gate**: The existing fencing is inadequate to meet proper security standards as required under the wastewater permit and two estimates to install fencing and a sliding entrance gate were presented – one from Round Hill Security and one from Lafayette Highway Specifications (Lafayette estimate handed out at meeting). The Lafayette proposal was significantly higher than the Round Hill estimate. The recommendation is to accept and move forward with the estimate from Round Hill Security.

Fire Alarm – The existing fire alarm system at the facility does not work. This was mentioned in a recent loss control facility assessment conducted by VLCT (insurance provider) and the recent inspection report from the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation on April 5, 2023. In the latter report, this issue was documented as a required "corrective" action. Since the alarm is listed in the VLCT report, it qualifies as a reimbursable cost from the VLCT grant program. Barton has submitted for this grant opportunity and a portion of the funding can be applied to this project. An estimate from Gene's Electric to repair the alarm system and conduct an infrared test is attached for your consideration.

Trustee Merchant made motions to: 1) accept the proposal from Round Hill Fence & Security, Inc. at a cost not to exceed \$10,300 and request that Tim work with Round Hill to get the fencing installed (unless a more economical proposal is received from an alternate vendor); 2) approve the estimate from Gene's electric for the alarm system repairs and request that Tim work with Gene's to get the alarm system repaired and 3) to use ARPA funds as necessary to facilitate the two purchases (net of the VLCT grant). The motion was seconded by Trustee Lyon. The motion was approved.

H. Water Facility Generator and Related Upgrades — Lucas DiMauro, Barton's Water System Operator is working on obtaining a backup generator that will operate the plant in the event of a power failure. Two things need to be considered prior to the purchase and installation of a generator. An estimate from D&D Electric to install frequency drives on the backwash motors and pumps is attached for your consideration. This installation will reduce the startup amperage on the backwash pump and motors, increasing the lifespan of the equipment and reducing the impact on the generator. A second estimate from Barton Electric to upgrade the existing service at the facility is attached for your consideration. This upgrade/reconfiguration is required to allow operation of a backup generator. Given lead times on materials it is not expected this upgrade will be completed until late summer. Staff recommends moving forward with the two estimates and work as presented.

In addition to the two items above, the mechanical seals need to be replaced and Lucas has requested the cost of these be approved as well. The cost of replacing the mechanical seals is approximately \$6,200.

Trustee Lyon made a motion to move forward with the installation of the variable frequency drives on the backwash motors/pumps, the electric service upgrade and replacement of the mechanical seals; based on estimates received (understanding that the cost may be in excess of the estimate) and to use ARPA funds to facilitate the purchases. Motion seconded by Trustee Merchant. Motion approved.

Lucas also mentioned that he is looking for estimates for the backup generator. He has one quote and will look for additional quotes for the Board's consideration.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

I. Meet Lucas- Water Facility Manager for the Village of Barton - Lucas DiMauro, Barton's Water System Facility Operator was present to introduced himself and discuss projects/maintenance items at the facility. In addition to the two projects listed in agenda item H above, Lucas updated the Board on several projects/maintenance items at the facility, including:

Valve/Filter replacement, excavation work in the driveway, silt dredging at May Pond and Reservoir, compliance of new lead and copper guidelines, cyanotoxin monitoring, and May Pond property concerns.

There was a short discussion on the cyanotoxin monitoring, which is a voluntary testing program. Barton's operator recommends that we move ahead with the testing and the Board concurred with his recommendation.

- J. Barton Village Stormwater Project. Chair Lyon provided a brief report on her meeting with the representatives from the Memphremagog Watershed Association. They are proposing a program that will filter the water/rain runoff so that the sediment is caught prior to reaching the river. They will dig up the road (Church Street) near the library and church, lay a three-inch pipe underground and install a tank that will catch the sediment. The association is looking to the Village to give the Association an easement since the pipe and tank would be located on village property. The Memphremagog watershed association is expected to attend a future Board meeting (maybe June/July timeframe) to explain the project to the full Board.
- K. **Financial Review.** Crystal Currier provided a brief review of the financial reports. The largest areas of concern are cash flows for the Electric and Wastewater departments. The rate increase will be added as a surcharge to electric bills this month and Crystal is completing FEMA paperwork (Storm Elliott) so both of those will help. There are many needed projects and the Village/Board will need to determine how to fund them.
- L. **Management /Staff Report.** Crystal Currier reviewed the information in the written report. Specific items that included:
  - **Temp/Seasonal Hires** -Three (3) temp/seasonal hires completed.
  - Salt/Sand Shed need to find new engineer for project.

- Wastewater Blowoff Pit still waiting on parts. Stainless enclosure is being constructed by NEVTEC at lower cost than Peak Motor & Pump.
- **Hydro** voltage regulator still inoperable but repairs in progress.
- **Electric** rate case ongoing, High Street testing underway.

## **OTHER ITEMS:**

M. Other Business. - None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS: - None** 

Adjourned @ 9:10 pm

**Next Regular Meeting: June 12, 2023** 

Special Meeting: June 5, 2023

Submitted by Regina (Gina) Lyon, Board chair.

Attested by Shelia Martin, Village Clerk

# Barton Village, Inc. Special Trustees Meeting

Monday, June 5, 2023 6:00 pm Barton Village Memorial Building

# Attendance:

Gina Lyon (chair), Marilyn Prue, Ellis Merchant, Ken Nolan, (VPPSA) Crystal Currier, (VPPSA)

Joseph Gresser (Barton Chronicle), Jacqueline Laurion (Clerk)

#### **MINUTES**

A. Call to Order: 6:10pm by Gina Lyon

B. Changes to the Agenda/Additions or Deletions - None

**C.** Privilege of the Floor: None

Action Items: None

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- D. Electric Department
- a. Updates Ongoing Activities
  - **High Street** additional soil testing took place on the 25th & 26th of May. Further testing of soil would be done on 6/8. Based on those results, it could mean additional testing is needed. A report will come out in late summer with the findings and next steps for remediation.
  - Hydro Plant Voltage regulator is repaired but has not been delivered and/or installed yet. The Caretakers building is torn down and has been fully removed from the property. Work began on the diesel generators building on 6/2/2023. The fuel oil tank removal is still pending. The largest ticket is still the Penstock Major upgrade will require a Village vote and PUC approval. Cost is estimated around 1 million dollars.
  - Integrated Resource Plan Ken Nolan, from VPPSA spoke about the IRP review; utilities have to do a IRP every 3 years. It prompts the utility to look down the road and review long term financial goals, long term projects and what direction the utility is heading in. VPPSA filed on behalf of Barton Village Electric on 3/5/2023. It is a regulatory filing sent to the Public Utility Commission and the Vermont Department of Public Service and allows for public comment. A notice was placed in the Barton Chronicle and no public comments were submitted for the filing.

When filing with the PUC, they only consider if you reviewed the utilities' financial foundations and if the decision-making process was sound. We now await questions from the PUC. VPPSA will answer these questions. It is expected that the utility may be asked to have an engineering study done on what it would take to meet electrification demands on the utility, meaning more homes purchasing heat pumps, changing over to electric cars. The future is moving towards electric,

- and more scrutiny is being put on utilities to support this initiative. Forecasting will be needed for Barton regarding these items and load growth to the electric grid.
- Rate Case- Surcharge has been applied to all electric bills. 21 questions from the
  Vermont Department of Public Service came in and VPPSA responded to
  them. From those responses VDPS came back with 3 additional questions. VPPSA
  is in the process of responding. So far everything seems par for the course and no
  red flags have come up currently. After this round of questions, the rate case
  moves to the Public Utility Commission. VPPSA cautions that the commission will
  do a deeper dive into the rate case given the position BVE is in and the higher
  operating costs.
- Discussion on the electric department moved to the expense of the VPPSA contract with Barton. Ken Nolan noted that the contract was priced as a top tier contract due to it only being a 2-year contract since it was expected that another try at selling the utility would take place. The service consists of a 2-man crew from Northline out of NY and has been proactive vs being in a reactive position. Line maintenance, pole replacements and daily line reviews are taking place now under this contract. Ken Nolan also provided documents showing Barton's standing in line with other state utilities. Before the rate increase Barton was the 4th highest in the state, and with the increase we are now the 3rd highest rate utility in the state.
- The Christmas snowstorm that caused widespread outages ran close to 38K and we expect to receive from FEMA 80% of that cost back.
- **b. AMI VPPSA Project Advanced Meter Infrastructure**. Most utilities put AMI in around 2009 -2012. VPPSA members chose not to move forward with the installation. The reason being the software and server had to be housed at the utility. Cost-wise for the hardware and technology was the driving factor for not installing them. As of today, the software is cloud based and the structure now developed would be housed at VPPSA vs at each utility.

If Barton Village were to sell the electric utility to another utility OUTSIDE of VPPSA, he does not recommend that the Village adopts the AMI due to the fact it will not be compatible with either VEC or GMPs systems. If we were to sell the utility to another VPPSA member, then the AMI systems would work as it is still in line with what VPPSA has for software and other technology.

Ken provided documents on a prior study done with Barton for AMI installation. The cost (Just for electric meters) would be \$343,038.94. This figure factors in the Barton portion of a 5-million-dollar grant that VPPSA received for the AMI project. A cost savings to the village of \$130,000 per year.

**c. Utility Future [Brainstorming]** - Retain or sell the utility. It was recommended to reach out to the previous consultants Patti & Chris so they could bring to the table what they had worked on previously regarding the pros and cons of selling or retaining.

#### E. Other Business:

One resident asked Ellis about how the Village is spending funds on village infrastructure. Ellis will invite the person to come to a meeting and discuss their concerns with the trustee board.

Discussion moved to which streets need paving and further conversation as to how it needs to be rolled out. Ellis would like to see the streets listed with a rating of good to worst to

determine what roads need paving over others. Another question came up about the sweeping of the streets. These questions will be asked of Andy Sicard.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS: -**

- F. Personnel
- G. IBEW Contract
- H. Electric Dept Contract

Gina made a motion & Marilyn seconded to go into Executive session at 8:45PM with an invitation given to Ken Nolan to stay for the Electric department conversation.

Motion to find that premature general public knowledge of the Village's discussions and / or negotiations with IBEW personnel would place the Village in a position to suffer a substantial disadvantage because it would expose proposed contract negotiations.

Gina made a second motion also seconded by Marilyn to enter executive session to discuss personnel and labor relation contract negotiations as allowed under the provisions of Title 1, Section 313 (a) (3) and section 313 (a) (1) (B) of the Vermont Statutes.

J. Adjourned at 9:50PM with no action taken.

**Date of Next Regular Board Meeting: June 12th, 2023** 

Submitted by Regina (Gina) Lyon, Board Chair

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Attested by Shelia Martin, Village Clerk

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#### Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees From: Crystal Currier/Tim Dagesse

Date: 06/12/2023
Subject: Smoke Testing
Agenda: Agenda Item "H"

The smoke testing of the wastewater system occurred and was completed the last week of May. Tim Dagesse will be present to discuss the results of the testing and how he would like to move forward.

It was identified that there is a significant amount of maintenance that will be needed (on the wastewater system) and several property owners are in violation of the Village's sewer ordinance. Tim Dagesse, Barton's wastewater operator, is planning to send the property owners notification of the violation as it pertains to their property. A list of those property owners and a copy of the letter will be provided to the Board prior to moving forward.

**Proposed Motion: NONE** 

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# Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees

From: Crystal Currier Date: 06/12/2023

Subject: Highway Safety Improvement Grant

Agenda: Agenda Item "I"

**FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES** - Barton Village is submitting a request for grant funding through the Highway Safety Improvement Program. The grant is for small scale projects to improve safety on Vermont's highways. Barton's application includes funding for line striping, stop bars and stop ahead markings. The Board will be updated if the grant funding is received.

**Proposed Motion: NONE** 

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#### Memorandum

To: Barton Village Board of Trustees

From: Crystal Currier Date: June 12, 2023

Subject: Management/Staff Reports; Upcoming Items

Agenda: Agenda Item "K"

## Personnel:

BEW Contract – Expired 12/31/2022, renewal pending

• Business Manager – scheduling interviews

# Office Equipment/Computers:

Computer Hardware – the software on the current computer server that houses all the NMERC files as well as the Village shared files will no longer be supported this summer (hardware hasn't been supported for several years). I am planning to move the NMERC software to a Cloud version that NMERC offers. The cost of the Cloud version is \$10/mo/per user; approximately \$360/annually and will allow us to purchase a lower cost computer server (\$3k vs \$8-10k) to house the shared files. **Transition scheduled for June 23**<sup>rd</sup>.

Mailing Machine/Postage – The lease on the mailing/postage machine expired in 2020. Since that time, the village has paid the lease on a month-to-month basis. The current machine will soon become noncompliant with US postal requirements. I will be bringing options for replacing this machine to the Board in the near future.

## Village

Sidewalks

Office Hours – to be discussed on June 12th

#### **Highway Department**

**Current Projects:** 

- Paving
  - Potential 2023 Projects Pricing forthcoming
  - Street Priority Listing Forthcoming
- Salt/Sand Shed Project
  - Project Engineer, Tyler Billingsley East Engineering working with Andy and USDA

- o Ballfields
  - Letter to area schools/organizations

#### **WasteWater Department**

Fencing and Gate installation complete

Smoke Testing complete

- o Identified additional maintenance issues that need resolution
- o Property owners to be notified of violations
- Violation List and Letter to be provided to the Board

Pumps in Sludge Blow Off Pit

- Sludge pump and parts for the blow pit have arrived; awaiting installation
- Decamp box being constructed by NEVTEC at lower cost than Peak Motor & Pump. Should be completed on June 9<sup>th</sup> an onsite for rebuilding on the 12th
- Taplin's Continues to pump twice/week through June 12th

Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements

- Aldrich & Elliot Agreement Pending (June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting)
- Vt Dept of Environmental Conservation State Revolving Loan Programs funding application completed for engineering cost (June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting)
- Vt Department of Environmental Conservation Inspection Report Response (due June 30<sup>th</sup>)
  - o Tim working with Northeast Rural Water

**Review Current Wastewater User Fees** 

## Water Department

- May Pond Land Research
- Review Current Water User Fees

#### **Hydro Plant**

- Voltage Regulator new issue that arose during the storm the week of April 3<sup>rd</sup> repair in process
- DG Building Electrical work in process
- Penstock major upgrade will require financing (village vote and PUC approval)

#### Electric:

Rate Case

- Surcharge will be implemented in May billing
- May require partial refund if full rate not granted by PUC
- Public Hearing Held May 11<sup>th</sup>
- VPPSA responded to two rounds of discovery questions from Vermont Public Service Department

IRP [Integrated Resource Plan]

- VPPSA Filed on 03/05/2023
- Public input/comments (due 06/02/23)
- Pending PUC Approval

High Street Site Investigation & Remediation

- Meeting held on March 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Site Investigation provided by VHB 01/26/2022
- Supplemental Investigation Work Plan provided by VHB 07/12/2022
- First testing occurred on May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26th, Additional testing approx. June 8<sup>th</sup>, reports expected late summer
- Contract balance \$75k (not expended)

AMI – VPPSA Project – determine participation

# **Misc Items:**

BMB HVAC System -

- Board approved assessment at end of January 2023 Marc Nadeau
- Generators no contract
- Website