

PART E –CONTRACT

This Contract is entered into as of the Effective Date (defined as the date approved by the Board and executed by the Chairman) between Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter known as the “County”, and Cathcart Construction Company – Florida, LLC their successors, executors, administrators and assigns, hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”.

WITNESSETH: Whereas the Contractor agrees with the County, for the consideration herein mentioned, and at their own proper cost and expense, to perform all the Work and furnish all the material, equipment, supplies and labor necessary to carry out this agreement in the manner and to the fullest extent as set forth in the attached Bid documents, being hereby made as such a binding part of this Contract as if written word for word herein, and whereas the Contractor has furnished satisfactory Bond and has complied with insurance requirements of the Specifications in Bid #:24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.

NOW THEREFORE, the County and the Contractor do hereby agree as follows:

Article 1. Scope of Work: The Contractor shall perform in accordance with the attached Bid Documents, all the items of Work at the unit prices or lump sum price as listed in the Contractor’s Bid Submittal.

Article 2. Contract Price: The Contract price includes the total bid price of \$3,624,870.90 plus the Allowance Work amount of \$181,243.00 the total sum being \$3,806,113.90. This total contract price shall be reduced by the unused amount of the allowance, if such Work is not completed.

Article 3. Plans and Specifications: The plans and specifications, and other Bid Documents upon which the unit or lump sum prices in the Contractor’s Bid Submittal are based, are hereby made a part of this Contract by reference thereto; and are hereby attached hereto.

Article 4 Time of Beginning and Completion: The Contractor agrees to begin Work within 10 calendar days after issuance of a Notice to Proceed by the Procurement Division. The Contractor will complete all Work within 270 calendar days from the Start

Date memorialized within the Notice to Proceed. Total days for this project are 270 days. The allowance time for this project is 40 days.

Article 5. Payment for Quantities: Payment for those items requiring payment on a unit price basis will be made for the actual unit quantities, as provided for in the Technical Specifications.

Article 6. Partial Payments: Payment will be made to the Contractor for the Contract Work actually performed by the Contractor (during the previous calendar month) and approved by the County subject, however, to retention by the County of an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the payment in accordance with F. S. 218.735.

Article 7. Final Acceptance and Payment: Upon completion of the Work or as soon thereafter as practicable, the County and Professional shall make a final inspection and, if appropriate, acceptance of the Work, after which Contractor shall prepare a final estimate of all Work completed under this Contract. Payment therefore of the balance due shall be made in accordance with the Contract provisions. Payment on the final estimate shall include the full amount for the Work completed, based on the unit prices or lump sum of this Contract, subject, however, to the deduction of any payments already made under this Contract to the Contractor.

Article 8. Contract Documents: The Contractor and Polk County Procurement shall each obtain a photocopy of this Contract once it is executed. This original Contract shall be retained by the Clerk of Courts, County Comptroller once it is executed.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Contract.

ATTEST: STACY M. BUTTERFIELD, CLERK

COUNTY: POLK COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida

BY: _____
DEPUTY CLERK

BY: _____
W.C. BRASWELL, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DATE SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN _____

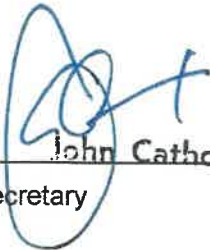
Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency

Sandra B. Huff 10/22/24

County Attorney's Office

Date

ATTEST:



John Cathcart, CEO
Corporate Secretary

CONTRACTOR: Cathcart Construction Company-Florida LLC

BY: _____

Authorized Corporate Officer or Individual

Matt T. Blanton, President

(Printed or Typed Name of Signer)

Matt T. Blanton, President

(Printed or Typed Title of Signer)

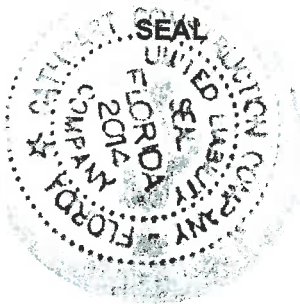
Cathcart Construction Company-Florida, LLC

(Business Address of Contractor) 1056 Wills Springs Drive

Winter Springs, FL 32708

(Telephone Number)

(407) 629-2900



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM IF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

STATE OF Florida County Of Seminole

The foregoing instruments was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this 10/24/2024(Date) by Matt Blanton (Name of officer or agent) as President (title of officer or agent) of the Company on behalf of the Company, pursuant to the powers conferred upon him/her by the Company. He/she personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters stated in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects.

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this 10/23/24 (Date)

Cathy R. Owen (Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)

CATHY R. OWEN (Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number HH052957 Commission Expiration Date 11/21/24



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM, IF A CORPORATION

STATE OF _____ County OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this _____ (Date) by _____ (Name of officer or agent) as _____ (title of officer or agent) of the Corporation on behalf of the Corporation, pursuant to the powers conferred upon him/her by the Corporation. He/she personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters stated in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____ (Date)

(Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)

(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM, IF AN INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF _____ County OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this _____ (Date) By _____ (Name of acknowledging) who personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____ (Date)

(Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)

(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER

(Copy of License Attached)

Certified General Contractor #GC051005
Certified Utility and Excavation Contractor #CUC057230

John Thomas Cathcart

State Certification Number

Individual's Name (Print or Type)

In Progress - Seminole County Attached

John Thomas Cathcart

Polk County Registration Number

Individual's Name (Print or Type)

In Progress - Seminole County Attached

Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

Polk County Business Receipt Tax
(Business License)

Company Name (Print or Type)

ADDENDUM RECEIPT

Bidder shall acknowledge below the receipt of any and all Addenda, if any, to the Plans and Specifications, listing the Addenda by number and date.

Addendum No. 1

Date 8/5/24

Addendum No. 2

Date 8/13/24

Addendum No. 3 & 4

Date 8/29/24

We understand all requirements and state that as a legitimate bidder we will comply with all the stipulations included in the bid package.

Submittal Date 9/11/24
(Bid Receiving Date)

BIDDER: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

BY: [Signature]
(Authorized Signature - in ink)

Matt Blanton
(Printed Name of Signer)

President
(Printed Title of Signer)


1056 Willa Springs Drive Winter Springs FL 32708
Address City State Zip
Code


407-629-2900

Telephone Number

Email Address mblanton@cathcartconstructioncompany.com

Cathcart Construction License /Bond and Other Verifications





Prequalified Contractors Listing

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Contractor with Name CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC
1-1 of 1 contractors

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VENDOR NAME	HOME OFFICE ADDRESS	BIDDING OFFICE ADDRESS
CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC F484740152001 EXPIRES: 6/30/2025	1056 WILLA SPRINGS DRIVE WINTER SPRINGS, FL 32708 (407)629-2900	1056 WILLA SPRINGS DRIVE WINTER SPRINGS, FL 32708 (407)629-2900

WORK CLASSES	FENCING
DRAINAGE	GRADING
FLEXIBLE PAWING	HOT PLANT-MIXED BITUM. COURSES
GRASSING, SEEDING AND SODDING	SIDEWALK
MINOR BRIDGES	
* CURB & GUTTER, DITCH PAVEMENT, DRIVEWAYS, LIFT STATIONS, RIP RAP UNDERGROUND UTILITIES (WATER & SEWER)	



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LICENSEE DETAILS

Licensee Information

Name: CATHCART, JOHN THOMAS (Primary Name)
CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC (DBA Name)

Main Address: PO BOX 195788
WINTER SPRINGS Florida 32719-5788

County: SEMINOLE

License Location: 1056 WILLA SPRINGS DRIVE
WINTER SPRINGS FL 32708

County: SEMINOLE

License Information

License Type: Certified General Contractor

Rank: Cert General

License Number: CGC051005

Status: Current,Active

Licensure Date: 07/28/1990

Expires: 08/31/2026

Special Qualifications

Construction Business: Qualification Effective 02/20/2004



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Licensee Information

Name: CATHCART, JOHN THOMAS (Primary Name)
CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC (DBA Name)

Main Address: PO BOX 195788
WINTER SPRINGS Florida 32719-5788

County: SEMINOLE

License Location: 2564 CONNECTION POINT
OVIDO FL 32765

County: SEMINOLE

License Information

License Type: Certified Underground Utility and Excavation Contractor

Rank: Cert Under

License Number: CUC057230

Status: Current,Active

Licensure Date: 01/12/2000

Expires: 08/31/2026

Special Qualifications

Construction Business: Qualification Effective 02/20/2004

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Detail by Entity Name

Florida Limited Liability Company
CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC

Filing Information

Document Number	L14000021124
FEI/EIN Number	46-4740152
Date Filed	02/06/2014
State	FL
Status	ACTIVE
Last Event	LC DISSOCIATION MEM
Event Date Filed	05/16/2014
Event Effective Date	NONE

Principal Address

1056 WILLA SPRINGS DR
WINTER SPRINGS, FL 32708

Changed: 04/29/2022

Mailing Address

PO BOX 195788
WINTER SPRINGS, FL 32708

Bid Bond Verification

United Fire & Casualty Company

BestLink  AMB #: 000926 NAIC #: 13021 FEIN #: 420644327

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 73909
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52407-3909
United States

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Assigned to insurance companies that have, in our opinion, an excellent ability to meet their ongoing insurance obligations.

Web: www.ufginsurance.com

Phone: 319-399-5700

Fax: 319-286-2512



AM Best Rating Unit: AMB #: 003875 - United Fire & Casualty Group

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Based on AM Best's analysis, 058589 - United Fire Group, Inc. is the AMB Ultimate Parent and identifies the topmost entity of the corporate structure. View a list of operating insurance entities in this structure.

Best's Credit Ratings

Financial Strength View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	A- (Excellent)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	August 15, 2024
Initial Rating Date:	June 30, 1951

Best's Credit Rating Analyst

Rating Office: A.M. Best Rating Services, Inc.
Senior Financial Analyst: Gordon McLean
Director: Rosemarie Mirabella

Note: See the Disclosure Information Form or Press Release below for the office and analyst at the time of the rating event.

Long-Term Issuer Credit View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	a- (Excellent)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	August 15, 2024
Initial Rating Date:	November 12, 2004

Disclosure Information Form

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Press Release

[AM Best Affirms Credit Ratings of United Fire Group, Inc. and its Property/Casualty Subsidiaries](#)
August 15, 2024

Financial Size Category View Definition

Financial Size Category: X (USD 500 Million to Less than 750 Million)

^u Denotes Under Review Best's Rating

United Fire & Casualty Company

(NAIC #13021)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: PO BOX 73909, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA 52407 - 3909.

PHONE: (319) 399-5700.

UNDERWRITING LIMITATION b/: \$52,896,000.

SURETY LICENSES c,f/: AL, AK, AZ, AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI, WY.

INCORPORATED IN: Iowa.

Insurance Verification

Westfield Insurance Company

BestLink  AMB #: 002382 NAIC #: 24112 FEIN #: 346518836

Mailing Address

P. O. Box 5001
Westfield Center, Ohio 44251-5001
[United States](#)

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Assigned to insurance companies that have, in our opinion, an excellent ability to meet their ongoing insurance obligations.

Web: www.westfieldinsurance.com
Phone: 330-887-0101
Fax: 330-887-0840



AM Best Rating Unit: AMB #: 000730 - Westfield Group

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Best's Credit Ratings

Financial Strength View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	A (Excellent)
Affiliation Code:	p (Pooled)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	February 26, 2024
Initial Rating Date:	June 30, 1930

Best's Credit Rating Analyst

Rating Office: A.M. Best Rating Services, Inc.
Senior Financial Analyst: Scott Foley
Director: Doniella Pliss

Note: See the Disclosure information Form or Press Release below for the office and analyst at the time of the rating event.

Long-Term Issuer Credit View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	a+ (Excellent)
Outlook (or Implication):	Negative
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	February 26, 2024
Initial Rating Date:	November 30, 2007

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[AM Best Revises Issuer Credit Rating Outlook to Negative for Westfield Insurance Company and Affiliates February 26, 2024](#)

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Financial Size Category View Definition

Financial Size Category: XV (Greater than or Equal to USD 2.00 Billion)

Bridgefield Employers Insurance Company

BestLink  AMB #: 012158 NAIC #: 10701 FEIN #: 691835212

Mailing Address
117 N. Massachusetts Avenue
Lakeland, Florida 33801
United States

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Assigned to insurance companies that have, in our opinion, a superior ability to meet their ongoing insurance obligations.

Web: www.summitholdings.com
Phone: 863-665-6060
Fax: 513-369-5830

AM Best Rating Unit: AMB #: 003012 - Great American Contemporary Pool



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Based on AM Best's analysis, 058317 - American Financial Group, Inc. is the **AMB Ultimate Parent** and identifies the topmost entity of the corporate structure. [View a list of operating insurance entities in this structure.](#)

Best's Credit Ratings

Financial Strength View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	A+ (Superior)
Affiliation Code:	r (Reinsured)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	December 15, 2023
Initial Rating Date:	January 18, 1999

Long-Term Issuer Credit View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	aa- (Superior)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	December 15, 2023
Initial Rating Date:	January 25, 2006

Financial Size Category View Definition

Financial Size Category: X (USD 500 Million to Less than 750 Million)

Best's Credit Rating Analyst

Rating Office: A.M. Best Rating Services, Inc.

Associate Director : Raymond Thomson, CPCU, ARe, ARMI

Director: Erik Miller

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Press Release

[AM Best Affirms Credit Ratings of American Financial Group, Inc. and Its Key Operating Subsidiaries December 15, 2023](#)

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Westchester Surplus Lines Insurance Company

BestLink  AMB #: 004433 NAIC #: 10172 FEIN #: 682139927

Mailing Address
436 Walnut Street, P.O. Box 1000
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106
United States

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Web: www.chubb.com
Phone: 215-640-1000

AM Best Rating Unit: AMB #: 000012 - Chubb U.S. Group of Insurance Companies



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Based on AM Best's analysis, 058303 - Chubb Limited is the **AMB Ultimate Parent** and identifies the topmost entity of the corporate structure. [View a list of operating insurance entities in this structure.](#)

Best's Credit Ratings

Financial Strength View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	A++ (Superior)
Affiliation Code:	g (Group)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	December 07, 2023
Initial Rating Date:	June 30, 1972

Long-Term Issuer Credit View Definition

Rating (Rating Category):	aa+ (Superior)
Outlook (or Implication):	Stable
Action:	Affirmed
Effective Date:	December 07, 2023
Initial Rating Date:	August 16, 2005

Financial Size Category View Definition

Financial Size Category: XV (Greater than or Equal to USD 2.00 Billion)

Best's Credit Rating Analyst

Rating Office: A.M. Best Rating Services, Inc.
Director: Alan Murray
Senior Director: Michael J. Legomarsino, CFA, FRM
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Rating Agency Disclosures

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CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC

Entity Information
Active Registration

Unique Entity ID: **MHV9M8ZKK619**
CAGE/NCAGE: **740Y3**

Expiration Date: **Apr 17, 2025**

Physical Address
**2564 Connection Pt
Oviedo, Florida
32765-9086, United States**

Mailing Address
**2564 Connection Pt
Oviedo, Florida
32765-9086, United States**

Purpose of Registration
All Awards

Version
Current Record

**EXHIBIT XXII: CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS**

For all awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs and activities, the Offeror must complete and sign the following:

The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (the "County"). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the Florida Division Emergency Management, the County, and the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

SIGNATURE: Matt T. Blanton, President

COMPANY NAME: Cathcart Construction Company-Florida LLC

DATE: 10/2/24

EXHIBIT XXIII: APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned **Cathcart Construction Company-Florida LLC** certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that: (Contractor)

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, **Cathcart Construction Company-Florida LLC**, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official _____

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official **Matt T. Blanton, President**

Date 10/2/24



FLORIDA SURETY BONDS, INC.

620 N. Wymore Road, Suite 200
Maitland, FL 32751
407-786-7770
Fax 407-786-7766

888-786-BOND (2663)
Fax 888-718-BOND (2663)

www.FloridaSuretyBonds.com

October 1, 2024

Polk County
330 West Church Street RM 150, P.O. BOX 9005, DRAWER AS05

Bartow, FL 33831-9005

RE: AUTHORITY TO DATE BONDS AND POWERS OF ATTORNEY

Principal: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

Bond No: 54-262325

Project: 24-603

Palmer Road Drainage Improvement
Project - ARP, Polk County, FL

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please be advised that as Surety on the above referenced bond, executed on your behalf for this project, we hereby authorize you to insert the contract date onto the contract bonds and powers of attorney.

Once dated, please email to tolisa@floridasuretybonds.com
or fax a copy of the bonds to our office at (407) 786-7766.

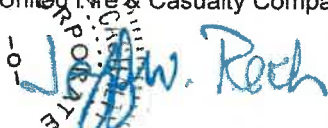
Sincerely,
United Fire & Casualty Company

Jeffrey W. Reich, Attorney-in-Fact
& Florida Licensed Resident Agent



EXHIBIT II: PERFORMANCE BOND

**FRONT PAGE
F.S. CHAPTER 255.05**

BOND NO.: 54-262325

CONTRACTOR NAME: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

CONTRACTOR ADDRESS: 1056 Willa Springs Drive, Winter Springs , FL 32708

CONTRACTOR PHONE NO: 407-629-2900

SURETY COMPANY: United Fire & Casualty Company
PO Box 73909
Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-3909

OWNER NAME: Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida
OWNER ADDRESS: 330 W. Church St
Bartow, FL 33830
OWNER PHONE NO: (863) 534-6757

OBLIGEE NAME: (if
contracting entity is different
from the owner, the contracting
public entity) _____

OBLIGEE ADDRESS: _____

OBLIGEE PHONE NO: _____

BOND AMOUNT: \$ 3,806,113.90

CONTRACT NUMBER: _____

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
OF PROJECT: Furnish all labor, materials, supervision, and equipment
necessary to construct drainage improvements within the
Gardenia Subdivision in accordance with plan sheets and
project manual outlined in the bid documents.

PROJECT LOCATION: From the intersection of SR 60 @ US 27, go west on SR
60 for approximately 8.5 miles. Turn north on Old
Bartow/Lake Wales Rd and the Gardenia subdivision is
located along the east side of the road. This project is
located in unincorporated Polk County. All distances are
approximate.

EXHIBIT II (cont'd): PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC, as Principal, and United Fire & Casualty Company, as Surety, located at 118 Second Avenue SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401 (Business Address) are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, as Obligee, in the sum of Dollars (\$ 3,806,113.90) in lawful currency of the United States, for the payment whereof we bind ourselves, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND is that if the Principal:

1. Promptly, faithfully, efficiently and fully performs all work, services, duties and obligations set forth and described in that certain purchase order dated _____, 20__ (the "Purchase Order") between Principal and Obligee for performance of all operations required for the proper rehabilitation of Cured-In-Place (CIPP) lining and installation of approximately 1,400 liner feet of 8-inch gravity sewer pipes, at the times and in the manner proscribed in the Purchase Order; and
2. Pays Obligee all losses, damages (liquidated or actual), expenses, costs, and attorney's fees, including, without limitation, costs and attorney's fees on appeal, that Obligee sustains resulting directly or indirectly from any breach or default by Principal under the Purchase Order; and
3. Performs the guarantee of all work and materials furnished under the Purchase Order for the time specified therein; and
4. Satisfies all claims and demands incurred under the Purchase Order, and fully indemnifies and holds harmless the Obligee from all costs and damages which it may suffer by reason or failure to do so;

then the Surety shall have no obligation under this Performance Bond.

In the event that the Principal shall fail to perform any of the terms, covenants and conditions of the Purchase Order during the period in which this Performance Bond is in effect, the Surety shall remain liable to the Obligee for all such loss or damage (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs and attorney's fees on appeal) resulting from any failure to perform up to the amount of the sum stated above.

In the event that the Surety fails to fulfill its obligations under this Performance Bond, then the Surety shall also indemnify and hold the Obligee harmless from any and all loss, damage, cost and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs for all trial and appellate proceedings, resulting directly or indirectly from the Surety's failure to fulfill its obligations hereunder. This paragraph shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Performance Bond.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be direct and immediate and not conditional or contingent upon the Obligee's pursuit of its remedies against Principal, shall remain in full force and effect

notwithstanding (i) amendments or modifications to the Purchase Order entered into by Obligee and Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent (ii) waivers of compliance with or any default under the Purchase Order granted by Obligee to Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent, or (iii) the discharge of Principal from its obligations under the Purchase Order as a result of any proceeding initiated under the Bankruptcy code of 1978, as the same may be amended, or any similar state or federal law, or any limitation of the liability of Principal or its estate as a result of any proceeding.

Any changes in or under the Purchase Order and compliance or non-compliance with any formalities connected with the Purchase Order or the changes shall not affect Surety's obligation under this Performance Bond. The Principal shall notify the Surety of all such changes.

Reference is hereby made to Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, and to the notice and time limitation provisions thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

ATTEST:

PRINCIPAL: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

BY: _____ (SEAL)

Witness:

Joseph Kumbal
[Signature]

Authorized Signature (Principal)

Printed Name: Matt T. Blanton, President

Witness:

Title of Person Signing Above: Matt T. Blanton, President

ATTEST:

SURETY: United Fire & Casualty Company

Printed Name: Jeffrey W. Reich*

Witness:

Debbie Pedemonti
[Signature]
Debbie Pedemonti

Attorney in Fact & FL Licensed Resident Agent

Jeffrey W. Reich (SEAL)

Witness:

Steve Engelhart
[Signature]
Steve Engelhart

Printed Name: Jeffrey W. Reich*

Business Address PO Box 73909, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-3909

*Inquiries: 407-786-7770

NOTE: Date of the Performance Bond must not be prior to date of Purchase Order. If Contractor is Partnership, all partners should execute Bond.

Important: Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Florida. Attach a certified copy of Power-of-Attorney appointing individual Attorney-in-Fact for execution of Performance Bond on behalf of Surety.

EXHIBIT III: PAYMENT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC, as Principal, and United Fire & Casualty Company, as Surety, located at 118 Second Avenue SE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

(Business Address) are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, as Obligee in the sum of Three Million Eight Hundred Six Thousand One Hundred Thirteen and 90/100 Dollars (\$3,806,113.90) in lawful currency of the United States, for the payment whereof we bind ourselves, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND is that if the Principal:

1. Promptly makes payments to all claimants, as defined in Section 255.05(1), Florida Statutes, supplying Principal with labor, materials, or supplies, used directly or indirectly by Principal in the prosecution of the work provided under and in accordance with that certain purchase order dated _____, 20__ (the "Purchase Order") between Principal and Obligee for;
Bid No. 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project - ARP, Polk County, FL

then the Surety shall have no obligation under this Payment Bond.

Any action instituted by a claimant under this bond for payment must be in accordance with the notice and time limitation provisions in Section 255.05(2), Florida Statutes.

In the event that the Principal shall fail to promptly make payment to any claimant as described above during the period in which this Payment Bond is in effect, the Surety shall remain liable to the Obligee for all such loss or damage (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs and attorney's fees on appeal) resulting from any such failure up to the amount of the sum stated above.

In the event that the Surety fails to fulfill its obligations under this Payment Bond, then the Surety shall also indemnify and hold the Obligee harmless from any and all loss, damage, cost and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs for all trial and appellate proceedings, resulting directly or indirectly from the Surety's failure to fulfill its obligations hereunder. This paragraph shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Payment Bond.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be direct and immediate and not conditional or contingent upon the Obligee's pursuit of its remedies against Principal, shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding (i) amendments or modifications to the Purchase Order entered into by Obligee and Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent (ii) waivers of compliance with or any default under the Purchase Order granted by Obligee to Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent, or (iii) the discharge of Principal from its obligations under the Purchase Order as a result of any proceeding initiated under the Bankruptcy code of 1978, as the same may be amended, or any similar state or federal law, or any limitation of the liability of Principal or its estate as a result of any proceeding.

Any changes in or under the Purchase Order and compliance or non-compliance with any formalities connected with the Purchase Order or the changes does not affect Surety's obligation under this Payment Bond. The Principal shall notify the Surety of all such changes.

Reference is hereby made to Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, and to the notice and time limitation provisions thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

ATTEST:

PRINCIPAL: Cathcart Construction Company of Florida, LLC

Witness _____

BY:

Authorized Signature (Principal)

Witness _____

Printed Name **Matt T. Blanton, President**

Matt T. Blanton, President

Title of Person Signing Above

ATTEST:

SURETY: United Fire & Casualty Company

Printed Name

Witness Debbie Pedemonti

Attorney in Fact Jeffrey W. Reich
Jeffrey W. Reich* Attorney in Fact & FL Licensed
Resident Agent

Witness Steve Engelhart

Steve Engelhart

Printed Name

PO Box 73909, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-3909

Business Address

NOTE: Date of the Payment Bond must not be prior to date of Purchase Order. If Contractor is Partnership, all partners should execute Bond.

Important: Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Florida. Attach a certified copy of Power-of-Attorney appointing individual Attorney-in-Fact for execution of Payment Bond on behalf of Surety.



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 FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CA
 CERTIFIED COPY OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

Inquiries: Surety Department
 118 Second Ave SE
 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

(original on file at Home Office of Company – See Certification)

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, That United Fire & Casualty Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa; United Fire & Indemnity Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas; and Financial Pacific Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California (herein collectively called the Companies), and having their corporate headquarters in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa, does make, constitute and appoint

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their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute in its behalf all lawful bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature provided that no single obligation shall exceed \$100,000,000.00 and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies and all of the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given and hereby ratified and confirmed.

The Authority hereby granted is continuous and shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by United Fire & Casualty Company, United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Financial Pacific Insurance Company.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following bylaw duly adopted by the Boards of Directors of United Fire & Casualty Company, United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Financial Pacific Insurance Company.

“Article VI – Surety Bonds and Undertakings”

Section 2, Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact. “The President or any Vice President, or any other officer of the Companies may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Companies in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. The signature of any officer authorized hereby, and the Corporate seal, may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or special power of attorney or certification of either authorized hereby; such signature and seal, when so used, being adopted by the Companies as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Companies, to be valid and binding upon the Companies with the same force and effect as though manually affixed. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority shall have full power to bind the Companies by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal the Companies thereto. The President or any Vice President, the Board of Directors or any other officer of the Companies may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COMPANIES have each caused these presents to be signed by its vice president and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 24th day of January, 2023

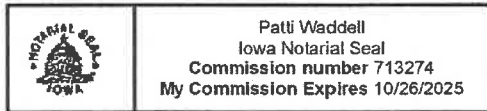


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By: *Kyanna M. Saylor*
 Vice President

State of Iowa, County of Linn, ss:

On 24th day of January, 2023, before me personally came Kyanna M. Saylor to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say; that she resides in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa; that she is a Vice President of United Fire & Casualty Company, a Vice President of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and a Vice President of Financial Pacific Insurance Company the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that she knows the seal of said corporations; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporations and that she signed her name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Patti Waddell
 Notary Public
 My commission expires: 10/26/2025

I, Mary A. Bertsch, Assistant Secretary of United Fire & Casualty Company and Assistant Secretary of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Assistant Secretary of Financial Pacific Insurance Company, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Section of the bylaws and resolutions of said Corporations as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the ORIGINALS ON FILE IN THE HOME OFFICE OF SAID CORPORATIONS, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the said Corporations this _____ day of _____, 20_____.



By: *Mary A. Bertsch*
 Assistant Secretary,
 UFG & UFI & FPIC
 CEDAR RAPIDS, IA

PART D – EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT I: BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we Cathcart Construction* (hereinafter called the Principal) and United Fire & Casualty Company (hereinafter called the Surety), a Corporation chartered and existing under the Laws of the State of IA, and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, in the full and just sum of ~~ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE THOUSAND~~ ~~TWO HUNDRED FORTY THREE 55~~ dollars (\$ 181,243.55) good and lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid upon demand of the County, to which payment will and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigned jointly and severally and firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal is about to submit, or has submitted to the County, a Bid Submittal for the purpose of 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvements
916 Palmer Rd, Lakeland, FL 33801

NOW THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are such if the Bid Submittal is accepted and recommended for award of a contract, the Principal shall, execute a satisfactory contract documents including an executed Public Construction Bond payable to County, in the amount of 100 percent (100%) of the total Contract Price, in form and with surety satisfactory to said County, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remaining full force and virtue in law, and the surety shall, upon failure of the Principal to comply with any or all of the foregoing requirements, immediately pay to the aforesaid County, upon demand, the amount of this Bond, in good and lawful money of the United States of America, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages.

In the event the numerical expression is omitted or expressed as less than five percent (5%) of the total bid price, this figure shall be assumed to be erroneously stated and this bid bond shall be binding upon the Principal and Surety in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the Principal and Surety have caused these presents to be duly signed and sealed this 4th day of September 2024.

* Company - Florida, LLC

ATTEST:

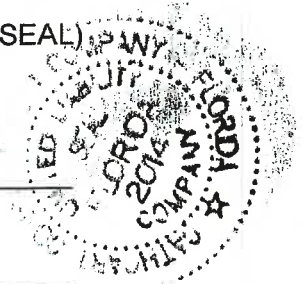
PRINCIPAL: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

[Signature]
Witness

BY: [Signature] (SEAL)
Authorized Signature (Principal)

[Signature]
Witness

[Signature]
Printed Name



Title of Person Signing Above

ATTEST:

SURETY: United Fire & Casualty Company

[Signature]
Witness Sophia Golecki

BY: [Signature] (SEAL)
Printed Name
Attorney in Fact & FL Licensed Resident Agent

[Signature]
Witness Elizabeth Womack

Jeffrey W. Reich
Printed Name Inquiries: 407-786-7770



PO Box 73909, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-3909
Business Address

NOTES:

1. Write in the dollar amount of the bond which must be at least five percent (5%) of the amount Bid included in the Submittal.
2. All bonds signed by an agent must be accompanied by a certified copy of such agent's authority to act.

Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Contract Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effectively dated copy of their power of attorney.



Jeffrey W. Reich
License Number A217277



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their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute in its behalf all lawful bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature provided that no single obligation shall exceed \$100,000,000.00 and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies and all of the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given and hereby ratified and confirmed.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COMPANIES have each caused these presents to be signed by its vice president and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 24th day of January, 2023



UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY
 UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY
 FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY

By: *Kyanna M. Saylor*
 Vice President

State of Iowa, County of Linn, ss:

On 24th day of January, 2023, before me personally came Kyanna M. Saylor to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say; that she resides in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa; that she is a Vice President of United Fire & Casualty Company, a Vice President of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and a Vice President of Financial Pacific Insurance Company the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that she knows the seal of said corporations; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporations and that she signed her name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Patti Waddell
 Notary Public
 My commission expires: 10/26/2025

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In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the said Corporations
 this 4th day of September, 2024.



By: *Mary A. Bertsch*
 Assistant Secretary,
 UF&C & UF&I & FPIC



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

10/17/2024

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

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

PRODUCER LRA Insurance P.O. Box 948173 Maitland FL 32794		CONTACT NAME: Jeffrey Larson PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): (407) 838-3445 FAX (A/C, No): (407) 838-3460 E-MAIL ADDRESS: jlarson@lrainsurance.com	
INSURED Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC 1056 Willa Springs Drive Winter Springs FL 32708		INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A: Westfield Insurance Company NAIC # 24112 INSURER B: Bridgefield Employers Ins Co 10701 INSURER C: Westchester Surplus Lines Ins Co 010172 INSURER D: Westfield Specialty Insurance Company 16992 INSURER E: INSURER F:	

COVERAGES

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 24-25

REVISION NUMBER:

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


INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	X	Y	TRA0975947	4/7/2024	4/7/2025	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000
	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR						DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 150,000
D	Professional Liability	X	Y	CPP-426636K-00	7/10/2024	7/10/2025	MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 5,000
	GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROJECT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:						PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000
A	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY	X	Y	TRA0975947	4/7/2024	4/7/2025	GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO ALL OWNED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS						PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ 2,000,000
A	UMBRELLA LIAB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR	X	Y	TRA0975947	4/7/2024	4/7/2025	Professional Liability \$ 1,000,000
	EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ 1,000,000
B	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y/N <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	0830-53545	4/7/2024	4/7/2025	PIP-Basic \$ 10,000
							EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 5,000,000
C	Pollution			G74331087 001	11/10/2023	11/10/2024	AGGREGATE \$ 5,000,000
	Inland Marine			TRA0975947	4/7/2024	4/7/2025	\$

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

RE: Bid #24-603 Palmer Road Drainage Improvements Project

Polk County, A Political Subdivision of the State of Florida, is included as additional insured with respects to the General Liability & Auto Liability coverage where required by written contract. Waiver of Subrogation is included in favor of the certificate holder with regards to the General Liability, Auto Liability & Workers Compensation coverage.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

Polk County A Political Subdivision of the State of Florida 330 W Church St Bartow, FL 33830	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.
	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE B Williamson/JLARSON 

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EXHIBIT IV: NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER

State of Florida)
) SS
County of Seminole)

Matt T. Blanton, President, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are Matt T. Blanton, President of Cathcart Construction Company-Florida.LLC the Bidder that has submitted the attached Bid;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstance respecting such Bid;
3. Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Bid;
4. Neither the said Bidders nor any of their officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid in connection with such Contract or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion of communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Bid of any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the Bid Price or the Bid Price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County) or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Seminole

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 11 day of September, 2024, by MATT BLANTON (name) as PRESIDENT (title of officer) of CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY-FLORIDA (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Cathy R. Owen

Printed Name of Notary Public: CATHY R. OWEN

Notary Commission Number and Expiration:

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

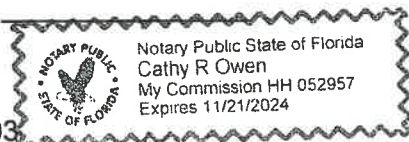


EXHIBIT V: NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF SUBCONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall not execute any agreement with any subcontractor or permit any subcontractor to perform any work included in this Contract until he has submitted a non-collusion affidavit from the subcontractor in substantially the form shown below and has received written approval of subcontractor from Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County).

This form must be signed by an authorized signatory of the company.

State of FLORIDA)
County of SEMINOLE) SS

ANGIE MITCHELL, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are PRESIDENT of ANGCO INC, hereafter referred to as the Subcontractor;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of subcontractor's Bid Submittal submitted by the subcontractor to _____ the Contractor for certain work in connection with Bid: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.
3. Such subcontractor's Bid Submittal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham submittal;
4. Neither the subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said subcontractor's Bid Submittal or secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the subcontractor's Bid Submittal are fair and proper and not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of their agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Seminole

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 4 day of October, 2021 by Angie Mitchell (name) as President (title of officer) of Arigo Inc (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Maribett Roman

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)



EXHIBIT V: NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF SUBCONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall not execute any agreement with any subcontractor or permit any subcontractor to perform any work included in this Contract until he has submitted a non-collusion affidavit from the subcontractor in substantially the form shown below and has received written approval of subcontractor from Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County).

This form must be signed by an authorized signatory of the company.

State of Florida)
County of Orange) SS

Manuel Quilli, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are P. M. of Central Florida Construction Walls, Inc., hereafter referred to as the Subcontractor;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of subcontractor's Bid Submittal submitted by the subcontractor to Cathcart Construction Company the Contractor for certain work in connection with Bid: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.
3. Such subcontractor's Bid Submittal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham submittal;
4. Neither the subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said subcontractor's Bid Submittal or secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
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STATE OF Florida

COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 03 day of October, 2024 by Marcos Quinlan (name) as P.M. (title of officer) of Central Florida Construction Holdings (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Luis Zerega

Printed Name of Notary Public: LUIS ZEREGA

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: 05/06/2025

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

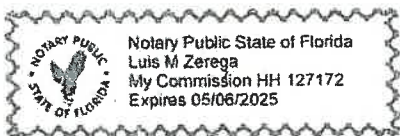


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This form must be signed by an authorized signatory of the company.

State of FL)
County of ORANGE) SS

ELUDIA MUÑOZ being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are owner of EMPAVING CORP, hereafter referred to as the Subcontractor;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of subcontractor's Bid Submittal submitted by the subcontractor to CATH CAR + CONS the Contractor for certain work in connection with Bid: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.
3. Such subcontractor's Bid Submittal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham submittal;
4. Neither the subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said subcontractor's Bid Submittal or secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the subcontractor's Bid Submittal are fair and proper and not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of their agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF FL
COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 4 day of October, 2020, by EIVBIA Munoz (name) as President (title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Sara Basurto

Printed Name of Notary Public: SARA BASURTO

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: 11/12/2027

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

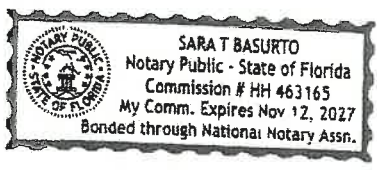


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This form must be signed by an authorized signatory of the company.

State of Florida)
County of Hillsborough) SS

Carlos Leal Sr., being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are owner of GB Sod LLC, hereafter referred to as the Subcontractor;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of subcontractor's Bid Submittal submitted by the subcontractor to Cathcart Construction Co-FL the Contractor for certain work in connection with Bid: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.
3. Such subcontractor's Bid Submittal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham submittal;
4. Neither the subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said subcontractor's Bid Submittal or secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
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STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Hillsborough

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (name) as _____ (title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Regla Lopez

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)



REGLA LOPEZ
Notary Public
State of Florida
Comm# HH175106
Expires 10/23/2025

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This form must be signed by an authorized signatory of the company.

State of FL)
County of Orange) SS

Karen M. Grimsley, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are managers of Kmb Fence, LLC, hereafter referred to as the Subcontractor;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of subcontractor's Bid Submittal submitted by the subcontractor to Cathcart Construction the Contractor for certain work in connection with Bid: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.
3. Such subcontractor's Bid Submittal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham submittal;
4. Neither the subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said subcontractor's Bid Submittal or secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the subcontractor's Bid Submittal are fair and proper and not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of their agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF FL

COUNTY OF Orange

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 3rd day of October, 2024, by Karen M. Grimley (name) as Manager (title of officer) of KM Co Fence LLC (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Jacqueline Jean Hancock

Printed Name of Notary Public: Jacqueline Jean Hancock

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: 2/19/2028

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)



EXHIBT XVIII: CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

In accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 440, the General Contractor hereby states that for projects \$250,000.00 or more, all subcontractors employed to work have workers' compensation insurance in place.

Bid # 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP

Cathcart Construction Company-Florida LLC

Contractor



Signature

Matt T. Blanton, President

Printed Name of Signer

10/2/24

Date

**POLK COUNTY,
A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA
BIDDING, CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR:
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP**

BID FILE NO: #24-603
County Project: 5400215

ISSUE DATE: July 31, 2024

PROCUREMENT DIVISION
330 W CHURCH ST, RM 150
DRAWER AS05, P.O. BOX 9005
BARTOW, FLORIDA 33830/33831-9005
Website: www.polk-county.net
Procurement Analyst: Michael Guerrero
E-Mail: michaelguerrero@polk-county.net
Main Number: (863) 534-6757
Fax: (863) 534-6789

BID REGISTRATION

You MUST register using this form in order to receive notice of any addenda to these documents. Please fax the completed form to the Procurement Division as soon as possible. It is the vendor's responsibility to verify if addenda have been issued.

Bid Number and Title 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project - ARP

Description Furnish all labor, materials, supervision, and equipment necessary to construct drainage improvements within the Gardenia Subdivision in accordance with plan sheets and project manual outlined in the bid documents.

Receiving Period: Wednesday, September 4, 2024, Prior to 2:00 p.m.

Bid Opening: Wednesday, September 4, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

This form is for bid registration only. Please scroll down for additional information.

**BIDDER REGISTRATION
EMAIL THIS FORM BACK IMMEDIATELY TO
PROCUREMENT@POLK-COUNTY.NET**

Carefully complete this form and mail or fax it to the Procurement Division. You must submit one form for each bid that you are registering for.

Company Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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PART A – BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

INVITATION FOR BID

NAME OF BID: Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project - ARP
BID NUMBER: 24-603 PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION BOND IS REQUIRED
BID DUE/DATE/TIME: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2024, PRIOR TO 2:00P.M.
DATE/TIME OF BID OPENING: WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2024, AT 2:00P.M. or As Soon As Possible Thereafter
PLACE OF BID OPENING: PROCUREMENT DIVISION, 330 WEST CHURCH STREET, ROOM 150, BARTOW, FLORIDA 33830
DEADLINE FOR QUESTIONS FROM BIDDERS: Monday, August 26, 2024, 4:00P.M.

INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

1.0 Bids

- 1.1 Supplementary Conditions, Special Conditions, Plans, Drawings, Instructions to Bidders, the Conditions of the Contract, Exhibits, the Bid Submittal, Technical Specifications, any resulting addenda issued, and the Contract together therein identified constitute the entire “bid package” and upon award shall constitute the Contract Documents concerning this present bid matter.
- 1.2 The Bid Submittal must be submitted in a sealed envelope. The face of the envelope should state the Bid Title and Bid Number, the name of the company submitting the bid and the date and time of the bid opening. Bidders are not required to return the Instructions to Bidders, Conditions of the Contract or Contract with their Bid Submittal, unless specified elsewhere in this Bid Package.
- 1.3 The following documents, collectively, comprise the “Bid Submittal” which, when tendered, on or before the Bid due date and time, must include:
 - Part C – Bid Sheets and Acknowledgement Form,
 - With the manual signature of an authorized representative of the company or their designee,
 - Bid prices must be entered on the Part C – Bid Sheets and Acknowledgement Form (no other bid submittals will be accepted)
 - Bid 24-603, Excel Bid Sheet
 - All information requested on pages 81-89
 - Exhibit I, Bid Bond.

- Exhibit IV, Non-Collusion Affidavit of Prime Bidder.
 - Exhibit VI, Affidavit of Percentage of Work (this requirement does not include Exhibit VI-A and Exhibit VI-B).
 - All additional information requested as a “must” item in any Addendum.
 - All corrections made by the Bidder to the Bid Sheets and Acknowledgement Form should be acknowledged by written initials of the authorized representative signing the Bid Submittal or their designee. Should a price correction not be acknowledged, lowest price will prevail.
 - One original and one copy of the complete Bid Submittal must be tendered.
- 1.4 All additional requested information and Exhibits must be submitted within a reasonable period of time if chosen as the apparent low, responsive and responsible bidder during the Bid Analysis phase.
- These items include:
 - Exhibit II, Performance Bond
 - Exhibit III, Payment Bond
 - Exhibit V, Non-Collusion Affidavit of Subcontractor
 - Exhibit VI-A, Subcontractor List
 - Exhibit VI-B, Good Faith Effort Documentation
 - Exhibit VII, Trench Safety Act Compliance
 - Exhibit VIII, Equal Employment Opportunity
 - Exhibit IX, Drug-Free Workplace Form
 - Exhibit X, Safety Requirements/Regulations
 - Exhibit XVIII, Certificate of Compliance
 - Exhibit XIX, Affidavit Certification Immigration Laws
 - Exhibit XXI, Scrutinized Companies Certification
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 - Exhibit XXIII, Appendix A, 44, C.F.R. Part 18 – Certification Regarding Lobbying
 - Part E - Contract
 - Any items called for in the Supplementary Conditions
- 1.5 All prices quoted are to be F.O.B. job site in Polk County, Florida. Bid amount shall be inclusive of all costs. Nothing herein shall prohibit the County from deleting line items and purchasing said items directly from a supplier if it is determined that there is sufficient sales tax savings to make purchasing by the County practical.
- 1.6 It is the Bidder’s responsibility to ensure their bid is delivered at the proper time and place of the bid opening. Bids which for any reason are not so delivered will not be considered. Offers by telegram, telephone, email or facsimile are not acceptable. The bid opening shall be public, on the date

and time specified under Invitation for Bid. Bid tabulations may be downloaded from the County's web site. Each Bidder must execute their bid with their full name, and title and give their address, fax, telephone and email address. In cases where a firm or corporation submits a bid submittal, the bid submittal shall be signed with the full name of each member of the firm, or the name of the officer of the corporation authorized by its by-laws, in addition to the address of such firm or corporation and such officer.

- 1.7 The Bidder is solely responsible for reading and completely understanding the requirements of the Contract Documents. The bid opening time will be scrupulously observed. Under no circumstances will Bid Submittals delivered after the delivery time specified be considered. Late Bid Submittals shall not be accepted.
- 1.8 Bid Submittals may be withdrawn by notifying the County, in writing, at any time prior to the deadline for bid submittal. After the deadline, the bids become a record of the County and will not be returned to the Bidder unless the bid is cancelled. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to make a written request for return of the Bid Submittal after notification of cancellation. Absent this written request, the County shall destroy the submittal. Negligence on the part of the Bidder in preparing their Bid Submittal confers no right of withdrawal or modification of their Bid Submittal after such Bid Submittal has been opened by County Staff at the appointed time and place. Bid Submittals and any bid security shall be in force for a period of not less than ninety (90) calendar days after the bid opening time.
- 1.9 At the time and place specified for the opening of Bid Submittals (see above), every Bid Submittal properly delivered within the time specified for receiving Bid Submittals will be opened and publicly read aloud, irrespective of any irregularities found therein. Bidders and other persons interested may be present or represented.
- 1.10 Attorneys-in-fact who sign bonds or other surety instruments must attach with each bond or surety instrument an effective and certified power of attorney.
- 1.11 The Bidder assumes responsibility to examine the site of the Work and become familiar with the form of Submittal, Drawings, Specifications, any Addenda issued thereto and all other forms of Contractual Documents pertaining to the proposed Work. The submission of the bid shall be sufficient to establish the presumption that the Bidder has investigated the site of the Work and is satisfied as to all conditions to be encountered, the character, quantity and quality of the work to be performed and materials furnished in the completion thereof. No pleas of ignorance of conditions or difficulties that may be encountered in the execution of the Work pursuant to this bid package as a result of failure to make necessary and reasonable

examinations and investigations will be accepted as an excuse for any failure or omission on the part of the successful Bidder to fulfill, in every detail, all of the requirements of the Contract Documents; nor will they be accepted as a basis for any claims whatsoever for extra compensation or for any extension of time. Prior to the time specified for receiving bid submittals any interpretation or modifications of the proposed Contract documents will be made only by Addendum. The County will send a courtesy notification when addenda are issued to each person to whom attended a mandatory or non-mandatory pre-bid meeting, if applicable; and/or submitted Bidder Registration. It is the sole responsibility of the Bidders to check the County's website at <https://www.polk-county.net/business/procurement/> "Notice of Bids" to ensure that all available information, addenda, has been received prior to submitting a bid. The County shall not be responsible for oral instructions.

1.12 The Bid Bond shall be for 5% of the amount bid and shall be submitted with the Bid Submittal. The Public Construction Bond shall be for 100% of the amount bid and, if called out in the contract, the allowance amount; and shall be submitted to Procurement along with the executed contract documents as outlined under section 11.0, Approval of Contract. The Bid Bond and Public Construction Bond shall be executed by a surety authorized to do business in the State of Florida and as named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, U.S. Treasury Department and A.M. Best rated A VIII or better. All bonds signed by an agent must be accompanied by a certified copy of authority to act and indicate that they are licensed to do business in the State of Florida.

1.13 Unless exempt under Florida Statute, Bidder should furnish a copy of either their State of Florida Contractor Certification or their Florida Registration showing they are licensed in Polk County with its Bid Submittal. The Certification or Registration must be current and effective as of the Bid Submittal date and must be maintained throughout the life of the contract.

2.0 Pre-Qualifications

2.1 When a mandatory pre-bid meeting is specified, all Bidders must register prior to the conclusion of the meeting. Failure to do so will disqualify the firm from bidding. If there is a mandatory site visit, the Bidder must initial the registration sheet prior to completion of the visit to the site. An authorized representative or agent of the Bidder must be present at this meeting, as evidenced by their signature on the meeting's registration sheet, or the Bidder's Submittal will be considered non-responsive.

2.2 It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that they comply with the above requirements.

3.0 Joint Venture

If a Joint Venture is contemplated, the Joint Venture Agreement between the parties must be submitted with the bid and the bid must be submitted in the name of the Joint Venture. Otherwise, the bid will be considered non-responsive.

4.0 Bid Errors

Where Bid Submittals have erasures or corrections, each erasure or correction should be acknowledged by written initials of the authorized representative signing the Bid Submittal or their designee. The County reserves the right to reject any Bid Submittal with such erasures or corrections where the accuracy or intent of said Bid Submittal as corrected cannot be determined by County staff. In the case of unit price contracts, if an error is committed in the extension of an item, the unit price as shown in the Bid Submittal will govern. The County staff will verify the extension of the unit prices to verify the correct amount. The County's figures shall prevail.

5.0 No Bid

Should the bidder decide there is no interest in bidding, they should return the "Statement of No Bid".

6.0 Discounts

Discounts shall not be considered in determining the lowest net cost for bid evaluation purposes.

7.0 Material and Construction

All material, equipment and construction furnished shall be new and shall be of good quality, workmanship and material. If silent in specifications, then the most acceptable industry-standard product shall be furnished and installed.

8.0 Conflict of Interest

The award hereunder is subject to the provisions of Florida Statutes, Chapter 112. All Bidders must disclose with their bid the name of any officer, director or agent who is also an employee of the County or any of their agencies. All Bidders must disclose the name of any County employee who owns, directly or indirectly, any interest of any amount in the Bidder's firm or any of their branches.

9.0 Assignment of Contract

Bidder may not make any assignment of the resulting Contract between parties, in whole or in part, without prior written authorization as may be given at the sole discretion of the County.

10.0 Recommendation of Bid Award/Rejection of Bids

- 10.1 A bid may be recommended for award by the Procurement Director to the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder, provided that Bidder's bid submittal is considered (within the sole discretion of said Procurement Director) reasonable, in the best interest of County to recommend, and no bid protest has been filed. Unless otherwise noted, the basis of recommendation will either be the Base Bid, the Base Bid plus all alternates or any combination thereof, whichever is in the best interest of the County or may be determined by the availability of funds. Should the basis of award be the Base Bid plus selected alternates, the priority of the selection of those alternates will be set forth in the Supplementary Conditions if applicable. The successful Bidder to whom a bid is recommended for award will be so notified by County staff. The Procurement Director, however, at their sole discretion, reserves the right to reject any and all bid submittals or to waive any informality concerning the bid submittal whenever such rejection or waiver is in the best interest of the County. The Procurement Director, likewise, reserves the right to reject the bid submittal of any Bidder who has previously failed to perform properly or to complete on time, contracts of a similar nature; or who is not in a position to perform the contract; or who has habitually and without just cause neglected the payment of bills or otherwise disregarded its obligations to subcontractors, materialmen or employees.
- 10.2 As part of the recommendation of award by the Procurement Director, any actual bidder or proposed bidder who is allegedly aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or pending recommendation of award of a contract may protest to the Procurement Director, in accordance with the Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual. The procedures are available at the Polk County Procurement Division at (863) 534-6757. Any person who wishes to file a protest regarding the recommendation of award may do so by submitting a non-refundable cashier's check in the amount of \$1,000.00 with their initial protest. Failure to follow the bid protest procedure requirements with the time frames prescribed herein as established by Polk County, Florida, shall constitute a waiver of your protest and any resulting claims. If no protests are received, the Procurement Director will work with the Procurement Analyst assigned to this bid to coordinate that the contract documents are executed by the recommended Bidder and placed on a Board agenda for approval by the Board and execution by the Chairman of the Board.

11.0 Approval of Contract

The recommended Bidder will be required to execute the contract documents as outlined in the bid package including, the Public Construction Bond, all signed exhibits and other required information stated in the supplemental conditions or any addendums. The executed documents should be returned to Procurement within 10 working days of the documents being sent by Procurement to the Bidder for execution. After the

executed documents are received back by Procurement, they will be given to the County Attorney's Office for approval to be added to a Board agenda for Board approval and execution by the Chairman of the Board.

All contracts are subject to final approval of the Polk County Board of County Commissioners. Persons or firms which incur expenses or change position in anticipation of a contract prior to the Board's approval do so at their own risk.

12.0 Security Forfeiture

If after Bidder's receipt of a notice of recommendation for award the successful Bidder refuses or otherwise neglects to execute and deliver the required Contract documents, including the Public Construction Bond, all signed exhibits, required insurance documents and other required information stated in the supplemental conditions or addendums within a reasonable time, the amount of the Bidder's bid security (Bid Bond) may be forfeited and the award rescinded if such action is deemed to be in the best interests of the County. The Procurement Director will make the determination of "a reasonable time". It is recommended that the executed contract documents be returned to Procurement within 10 working days of the documents being sent by Procurement to the recommended Bidder for execution. No plea of mistake in the bid or misunderstanding of the conditions of forfeiture shall be available to the Bidder for the recovery of their bid security or as a defense to any action based upon the neglect or refusal to execute the required agreement or furnish the required bonds and insurance certification.

13.0 Laws, Codes and Regulations

The Bidder shall familiarize itself and comply with all Federal, State, County and City laws, codes, ordinances or regulations controlling the action or operation of those engaged in the Work, or affecting materials or methods used, and govern itself in accordance with them. If the Bidder observes that there are conflicts between the Drawings and Specifications or between any other documents, they shall promptly notify the County in writing. Failure of the Bidder to notify the County of these variances shall not provide relief for compliance to the document as may be interpreted by the County. The Bidder shall hold harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by Florida Law, the County and all of its officers, agents or servants against any claims or liability arising from, or based upon the violations of any such laws, by-laws, ordinances, regulations, orders or decrees, whether by itself or their employees.

14.0 Safety Requirements/Regulations

- 14.1 All Bidders are required to submit with their Bid Submittal, Exhibit X, Safety Requirements/Regulations which states that if the firm falls under the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) Regulations, as interpreted by OSHA, the successful contractor will be able to provide, at the

request of the County, a copy of their OSHA 300 Log for the past three (3) years, a copy of the Workers Compensation Modification Rate; a copy of the Contractor's Safety and Health Program, and a copy of the Contractor's Drug Free Workplace Program. Any questions regarding the compliance with this provision shall be directed to Polk County Safety and Loss Control Coordinator, Risk Management Division, (863) 534-5267.

14.2 The Bidder is hereby notified that if awarded the bid and it involves work such as maintenance, repair, turnaround, renovation, construction or engineering on chlorine disinfection facilities or other covered process(es) must be able to provide, at the request of the County, the following items for review: OSHA 300 Log for past five (5) years, current safety program, training program and experience with other related processes. Documented evidence showing compliance with confined space entry, lockout/tagout, emergency response and safe work is required. All contract workers must comply with the facility's safe work practices and controls outlined in the facility safety manual and operating procedures.

14.3 The Bidder is hereby notified that if awarded the bid they shall be responsible for maintenance of traffic within the limits of the project for the duration of the construction period, including any temporary suspensions of the Work. The Contractor shall construct and maintain detours and provide facilities for access to residences, businesses, etc., along the project. The contractor shall furnish, install and maintain traffic control and safety devices during construction, furnish and install work zone pavement markings for maintenance of traffic in construction areas, and provide any other special requirements for safe and expeditious movement of traffic specified on the plans. Maintenance of Traffic includes all facilities, devices and operations as required for safety and convenience of the public within the work zone. Refer to Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) latest edition of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction and the latest version of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) for the minimum national standard for traffic control for highway construction, maintenance, and utility operation.

15.0 Liquidated Damages

Bidders are hereby advised that if the Contract documents so indicate, a reasonable amount for liquidated damages may be assessed for Contractor's failure to meet stated specifications, schedule, or other relevant issues as determined by the County. Information regarding the composition of liquidated damages can be found in the Supplementary Conditions. The liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty.

16.0 Standard Basis for Bidding

Where a particular system, product or material is specified by name, it shall be considered as a standard basis for bidding and as the most satisfactory for its particular purpose. Where two or more products, materials or manufacturers are specified by name, each shall be considered as a predetermined equal and acceptable for its particular purpose; and the bidder may use any of the listed items within their bid.

17.0 Preconstruction Conference

After the Board has approved the Bidder's executed contract and prior to the start of construction, a joint meeting may be held with representatives of the successful Bidder, the County and other invited parties or government agencies which may be affected by or have jurisdiction over the Work.

18.0 Florida Public Entity Crime Statute

The Contractor declares and warrants that neither the Contractor nor any of the Contractor's affiliates, as that term is defined in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, are subject to the restrictions in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, regarding the commission of a public entity crime. If during the term of this Agreement, the Contractor or any affiliate is convicted of a public entity crime or is otherwise prohibited from performing work for or transacting business with the County pursuant to Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, then the Contractor shall be in material default of this Agreement, and in such case, the County shall have the rights and remedies as provided herein.

19.0 Preference for Drug-Free Workplace-*Omitted intentionally, not applicable with Federal funding.*

20.0 Requirement to list Subcontractors

The successful Contractor shall provide a list of all proposed subcontractors, other persons or entities (including those who are to furnish materials or equipment fabricated to a special design), the associated costs, and company classification on Exhibit VI-A, Subcontractor List, upon request by Procurement Staff. Exhibit VI-A may be requested during the bid analysis and again at the project close-out. The list must contain all subcontracted areas of work including those areas of work being self-performed. The total of work noted on this list must match the bid amount stated on Part C, Bid Submittal.

In addition, the successful Contractor should provide documentation reflecting their "Good Faith Effort" in securing the services of minority owned businesses for any appropriate subcontracted areas of work. This documentation shall be noted on Exhibit VI-B, Good Faith Effort, and shall be provided upon request by Procurement Staff.

21.0 Women/Minority Business Enterprise Outreach (WMBE's)

The County hereby notifies all Bidders that W/MBE's are to be afforded a full opportunity to participate in any bid by the County and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin. The County asks that Bidders make good faith efforts to use qualified W/MBE subcontractors in preparing their bid. The W/MBE's must be identified as such on the subcontractors list. Bidders are encouraged to contact the Supplier Diversity Office, at (863) 534-5959 for assistance. If a Bidder makes a good faith effort to find and utilize qualified W/MBE subcontractors, but is not successful, they have fulfilled the Good Faith Effort required. Good Faith Effort shall be described as the effort put forth by bidders on construction bids to solicit prices from women/ minority contractors.

22.0 Equal Opportunity for Contractors and Subcontractors

Pursuant to U.S. Executive Order 11246, as amended, you are advised that under the provisions of government contracting, and in accordance with the Executive Order, contractors and subcontractors are obliged to take affirmative action to provide equal opportunity without regard to race, creed, color, national origin, age or sex.

23.0 Additions/Revision/Deletions

Additions, revisions or deletions to the general conditions, specifications or bid price sheets by a Bidder that change the intent of the bid will cause the bid to be non-responsive and the bid will not be considered. The Procurement Director shall be the sole judge as to whether or not any addition, revision, or deletion changes the intent of the bid.

24.0 Unit Prices

Unless otherwise stated in this document unit prices will be utilized to adjust the total compensation due the successful Bidder based on actual quantities provided as part of the Work and verified by the County. Significant changes in quantities, including deletion of any particular item are possible. Negotiation of unit prices shall not be allowed except under conditions of Force Majeure, where those conditions are sufficiently documented to the full satisfaction of the County. No other claim to negotiate unit prices will be considered.

25.0 Code of Ethics

If any bidder violates or is a party to a violation of the code of ethics of the County or the State of Florida, with respect to this bid, such bidder may be disqualified from performing the work described in this bid or from furnishing the goods or services for which the bid is submitted and shall be further disqualified from bidding on any future bids for work, goods, or services for the County.

26.0 Questions

All questions must be submitted in writing and addressed to the appropriate person in the Procurement Division by the specified date and time as listed on page IB-1. The bid cover sheet provides the name of the Procurement Division contact person, as well as their phone number, fax number and e-mail address.

27.0 Bid Protest

Procedures for filing a protest may be obtained from the County's Procurement Division. Failure to follow the bid protest procedure requirements within the time frames prescribed herein as established by the County shall constitute a waiver of the Bidder's right to protest and any resulting claims.

28.0 Prohibition Against Considering Vendor Interests

In accordance with Section 287.05701, Florida Statutes, the County may not (i) request documentation of or consider a Vendor's social, political, or ideological interests when determining if the Vendor is a responsible vendor; or (ii) give preference to a Vendor based on the Vendor's social, political, or ideological interests.

29.0 Local Preference *Omitted intentionally, not applicable with Federal funding.*

30.0 Vendor Preference- *Omitted intentionally, not applicable with Federal funding.*

Bid Submittal Instructions

Respondents must submit one (1) original copy of the bid submittal prior to 2:00 p.m. on the bid receiving date. Bids must be submitted in a “sealed” parcel or electronically through Polk County’s secure website, Kiteworks. Bids will be publicly opened at 2:00 p.m. on receiving date.

Sealed Parcel Submittal:

If you are submitting a sealed parcel bid, please cut along the outer border and affix this label to your sealed bid envelope to identify it as a “Sealed Bid”. Be sure to include the name of the company submitting the bid where requested.

Sealed Bid. DO NOT OPEN	
Sealed Bid Number	24-603
Bid Title	Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project - ARP
Due Date/Time:	September 4, 2024, prior to 2:00 pm
Submitted by:	
Deliver To:	Polk County Procurement Division 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida 33830

Sealed parcel bids may be mailed, express mailed or hand delivered. It is the Bidders responsibility to ensure their package is delivered to the Procurement Division prior to 2:00 p.m. on the Receiving date and time referenced above. Bids delivered at 2:00 p.m. or later will not be accepted.

Electronic Bid Submittal:

If you are interested in submitting your bid electronically bidders may do so via the County’s secure electronic submittal website, Kiteworks. Bidders must email michaelguerrero@polk-county.net at least 48 hours prior to bid opening to receive a link to upload their submittal. Please only upload your documents as a PDF or Excel file for bid sheets. Please use the naming conventions for your files as follows:

For PDF documents “Bid 24-603 – <Contractor Name> Bid Submittal”

For Excel Bid Sheets “Bid 24-603 – <Contractor Name> Bid Sheet”

For more instructions, a video tutorial has been produced to further explain the electronic solicitation submittal process. It can be found by clicking here for Bid Submittals: https://youtu.be/vkn_7AHgioE. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

Procurement recommends that bidders submitting electronically double check the documents submitted into Kiteworks to ensure all requested information and bid sheet have been uploaded. Failure to upload the completed bid sheet will result in the bid submittal being deemed nonresponsive.

PART B – CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

GENERAL CONDITIONS

ARTICLE 1 – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

1.0 The Contract Documents comprise the entire contract between the County and the Contractor.

ARTICLE 2 – DEFINITIONS

2.0 Whenever used in any of the Contract Documents, the following meaning shall be given to the terms herein

2.1 The term “**Addendum**” or “**Addenda**” means any changes, revisions or clarifications of the Contract Documents which have been duly issued by the County to prospective Bidders prior to the time of receiving Bids.

2.2 The term “**Allowance Authorization Release**” means the written pre-approval forms signed by the County Manager or their designee for all allowance work.

2.3 The term “**Allowance Work**” means work that may not have been in the specifications and is deemed by the County to be necessary.

2.4 The term “**Application for Payment**” means the pay request accepted by the Professional and the County which is to be used by the Contractor in requesting progress or final payments that is accompanied by such supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents.

2.5 The term “**Bid Submittal**” means the offer or submittal of the Bidder submitted on the prescribed form setting forth the price(s) for the Work to be performed.

2.6 The term “**Bonds**” means the Bid and Public Construction Bond and other instruments of security furnished by the Contractor and its Surety in accordance with the Contract Documents.

2.7 The term “**Change Order**” means any change that requires the County’s approval and either includes a change in the work or a change in the Contract Time.

2.8 The term “**Construction Change Directive**” means any change initiated by the County where a change order has not been agreed to between the County and the Contractor.

2.9 The term “**Contract**” means the Contract executed by the County and the Contractor.

2.10 The term “**Contractor**” means the person, firm or corporation entering into the Contract with the County to construct and install the improvements embraced in this Contract.

2.11 The term “**Contractor Certification of Disbursement of Previous Progress Payments to Subcontractors and Suppliers**” means the form that the Contractor must execute and submit with each Application for Payment certifying that the Contractor has paid all Subcontractors and Suppliers their respective pro rata share of all previous payments (to include payments of retainage) that the County has made to Contractor for Work that has been satisfactorily completed.

2.12 The term “**Contract Documents**” means and shall include the following: Special Conditions, Plans, Drawings, Relocation Schedule Permits, Instruction to Bidders, General Conditions, Exhibits, Supplementary Conditions, Technical Reports, Technical Specifications, Bid Submittal, Bid and Public Construction Bonds, all Addenda issued by the County, Certificates of Insurance, Permits, Notice of Award, Allowance Authorization Release Form, Change Order Form, Substantial Completion Form and Final Completion Form duly delivered after execution of Contract.

2.13 The term “**Contract Time**”, unless otherwise provided, means the period of time including adjustments by Change Order, allotted in the Contract Documents for substantial completion of the work.

2.14 The term “**County**” means Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, and its authorized designees, agents or employees.

2.15 The term “**Day**” may be either a working day or a calendar day as defined in the bid documents. When the Contract Time is specified as calendar days, workdays will be established in the supplementary conditions. Workdays are defined as those days of the week and hours of the day that the Contractor may perform the scope of work defined in the Bid Document. If a workday shall fall on a County Holiday that day shall be omitted from the computation of days for Contract Time. County Holidays are: New Year’s Day, Martin Luther King Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving day, the Friday following Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, all as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.

2.16 The term “**Drawings**” means the Drawings or plans listed in Part F.

2.17 The term “**Effective Date of the Contract**” means the date on which the contract has been approved by the Board and executed by the Chairman of the Board.

2.18 The term “**Field Order**” means a written direction to the Contractor from the Professional that modifies Drawings and Specifications without changing Contract Price or Contract Time.

2.19 The term “**Free on Board**” (FOB) means the cost of the goods including the shipment to the job site.

2.20 The term “**Good Faith Efforts**” means documented efforts to secure the participation of women and/or minority-owned subcontractors utilizing available resources to assist Bidder.

2.21 The term “**Lump Sum**” means that portion of the total contract amount that is fixed as a result of the amount of the bid submitted by the Contractor. If there is no “Allowance for Work” this amount is the total Contract amount. If there is an “Allowance for Work” then the bid price and the amount of the “Allowance for Work” becomes the total Contract amount.

2.22 The term “**Not to Exceed**” means that portion of the total Contract amount described as “Allowance for Work” that along with the amount of the bid submitted by the Contractor becomes the total Contract amount. Changes in the Work submitted by the Contractor that are eligible and approved for funding from the “Allowance for Work” shall not exceed the amount provided a “Allowance for Work” either in a single request or cumulative during the performance of the Work.

2.23 The term “**Notice of Award**” means the written notice issued by the County to the successful bidder.

2.24 The term “**Notice to Proceed**” means a written notice issued by the Procurement Division to the Contractor fixing the date on which the Contract Time will commence and the Contractor shall start to perform the obligations under the Contract Documents, unless otherwise specified in the Notice to Proceed. The actual Start Date shall be within ten (10) days of Notice to Proceed date or when all applicable permits have been secured, unless otherwise stated.

2.25 The term “**Professional**” means the architectural/engineering firm or individual retained by the County or in-house designated person designated to perform the design and/or resident engineering services for the Work. The Professional can also serve as the Project Manager.

2.26 The term “**Project Area**” means the area within which are the specified Contract Limits of the improvements contemplated to be constructed in whole or in part under this Contract.

2.27 The term “**Project Manager**” means the Polk County representative in charge, employed by the County, for the purpose of directing or being in charge of the work embraced in this Contract.

2.28 The term “**Procurement Director**” means the Director of Polk County Procurement Division or their authorized representatives.

2.29 The term “**Start Date**” means the date of commencement of the work.

2.30 The term “**Subcontractor**” means a person or entity who has a direct contract with the Contractor to perform a portion of the Work, to include a person or entity who provides equipment to support completion of the Work under an equipment-rental agreement.

2.31 The term “**Supplier**” means a person or entity that furnishes materials or equipment that is incorporated into the Work or that is stockpiled within the Project Area or a nearby vicinity for which the County has made partial payment.

2.32 The term “**Technical Reports**” means the reports issued by the County or the Project Manager consisting of written technical material such as soil reports.

2.33 The term “**Work**” means the entire completed construction or the various separately identifiable parts thereof required to be furnished under the Contract Documents. Work includes and is the result of performing or furnishing labor; furnishing and incorporating material and equipment in the construction; performing or furnishing services; and furnishing documents, all as required by the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 3 – PRELIMINARY MATTERS

3.1 Delivery of Bonds

3.1.1 When the **Contractor** delivers the executed Contract to the **County**, the **Contractor** shall also deliver to the **County** such Bonds and insurance as may be required in accordance with these Contract Documents.

3.2 Copies of Documents

3.2.1 After the award of the Contract, the **County** shall furnish the **Contractor**, one set of Contract Documents for execution of the work.

3.3 Commencement of Contract Time; Notice to Proceed

3.3.1 The Contract Time shall commence as established in the Notice to Proceed. A Notice to Proceed may be given at any time after the execution of the Contract by the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners and after a pre-construction meeting, if applicable.

3.4 Starting the Work

3.4.1 The **Contractor** shall begin the Work on the start date established. No work shall be done prior to the date on which the Contract Time commences. Any work performed by the **Contractor** prior to the date on which Contract Time commences shall be at the sole risk of the **Contractor**.

3.5 Before Starting Construction

3.5.1 Before undertaking each part of the Work, the **Contractor** shall carefully study and compare the Contract Documents; check and verify pertinent figures shown thereon and all applicable field measurements. The **Contractor** shall promptly report, in writing, to the **Professional** and the **County** any conflict, error, ambiguity or discrepancy which the **Contractor** may discover and shall obtain a written interpretation or clarification

from the **Professional** before proceeding with any Work affected thereby. The **Contractor** shall be liable to the **County** for failure to report any conflict, error, ambiguity or discrepancy in the Contract Documents, if the **Contractor** knew or reasonably should have known thereof.

3.5.2 Prior to the Notice to Proceed (unless otherwise specified in the General Requirements), the **Contractor** shall submit to the **Professional** and the County for review and ultimate approval the following:

3.5.2.1. a preliminary schedule of the required shop drawings and submittals which will list each required submittal and the times for submitting, reviewing and processing such submittal.

3.5.2.2 a preliminary schedule of values for all of the Work which will include quantities and prices of items aggregating the Contract Price. The schedule of values should subdivide the Work into component parts in sufficient detail to serve as the basis for progress payments during construction with sufficient breakdown of lump sum prices to identify items of work. Such amounts will include an appropriate amount of overhead and profit applicable to each item of work. A copy of the schedule of values, with the appropriate bid number and the appropriate W/MBE classification in accordance with Section 16.1.2. shall be sent to the Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Bartow, Florida 33830.

3.5.2.3. A construction schedule acceptable to the **Professional** and the **County** that clearly shows in graphic form the Work from start to finish describing in sufficient detail the minor and major tasks that in the course of their completion or the failure thereof will impact the Contractor's ability to complete the Work within the contract time. This schedule shall be updated and accompany every application for payment submitted. Should the updated schedule show any portion of the Work to be behind, the Contractor shall submit with the updated schedule a detailed recovery plan. This updated construction schedule shall be reviewed and approved by the **Professional** or the **County** at the time of a construction progress meeting that coincides with the submission of the progress application for payment. Failure to submit this recovery plan with the updated schedule will cause the application for payment to be rejected until such time the recovery plan is submitted.

3.5.3 Prior to the effective date of the Contract, the **Contractor** shall deliver to the **County**, with copies to each additional insured identified in the Supplementary Conditions, an original certificate of insurance (and other evidence of insurance which the **County** may reasonably request) which the **Contractor** is required to purchase and maintain in accordance with Article 6.

3.5.4 Before any Work at the site is started, a conference attended by the **Contractor**, **Project Manager**, **Procurement Representative**, **Professional** and others as

appropriate will be held to establish a working understanding among the parties as to the Work and to discuss the schedules referred to in 3.5.2, procedures for handling shop drawings and other submittals, processing applications for payment and maintaining required records. Unless otherwise provided in the Contract Documents, the schedules submitted in accordance with 3.5.2, the **Contractor** shall have an additional ten (10) calendar days to make corrections and adjustments and to complete and resubmit the schedules. No progress payment shall be made to the **Contractor** until the schedules are submitted to and deemed acceptable by the **Professional** as providing an orderly progression of the Work to completion within any specified Milestones and the Contract Time; but such acceptance will neither impose on the **Professional** responsibility for the sequencing, scheduling or progress of the Work nor interfere with or relieve the **Contractor** from the **Contractor's** full responsibility. The **Contractor's** schedule of shop drawings and submittals will be acceptable to the **Professional** as providing a workable arrangement for reviewing and processing the required Submittals. The **Contractor's** schedule of values shall be approved by the **Professional** and the **County** as to form and substance.

3.5.5 The **Contractor**, in addition to preparing an initially acceptable schedule, shall be responsible for maintaining the schedule, including updating the schedule. Schedule updates shall include progression of work as compared to scheduled progress of work. **SCHEDULE UPDATES MUST ACCOMPANY EACH PAY REQUEST.**

ARTICLE 4 – CONTRACT DOCUMENTS, GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE, INTENT, DISCREPANCIES, AMENDING AND REUSE

4.1 Precedence

4.1.1 The Contract Documents comprise the entire agreement between the **County** and the **Contractor** concerning the Work. The Contract Documents are complementary; what is called for by one is as binding as if called for by all. The Contract Documents will be construed in accordance with the Laws of the State of Florida; Venue shall be Polk County.

4.1.2 It is the intent of the Contract Documents to describe a functionally complete Project (or part thereof) to be constructed in accordance with the Contract Documents. Any work, material or equipment that may reasonably be inferred from the Contract Documents or from prevailing custom or trade usage as being required to produce the intended result will be furnished and performed whether or not specifically called for. When words or phrases which have a well-known technical or construction industry or trade meaning are used to describe the Work, material or equipment, such words or phrases shall be interpreted in accordance with that meaning. Clarifications and interpretations of the drawings and specifications shall be issued by the **Professional**.

4.1.3 Except as otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents or as may be provided by amendment or supplement thereto issued by one of the methods indicated

in 4.3.1 or 4.3.2, the provisions of the Contract Documents shall take precedence in resolving any conflict, error, ambiguity or discrepancy between the provisions of the Contract Documents and the provisions of any such standard, specification, manual, code or instruction (whether or not specifically incorporated by reference in the Contract Documents) and the provisions of any such Laws or Regulations applicable to the performance of the Work (unless such an interpretation of the provisions of the Contract Documents would result in violation of such Law or Regulation).

4.1.4 Reference to standards, specifications, manuals or codes of any technical society, organization or associations, or to the Laws or Regulations of any governmental authority, whether such reference be specific or by implication, shall mean the latest standard, version, specification, manual, code or Laws or Regulations in effect at the time of opening of Bids (or on the Effective Date of the Agreement if there were no Bids), except as may be otherwise specifically stated in the Contract Documents.

4.2 Conflicts

4.2.1 If, during the performance of the Work, the **Contractor** discovers any conflict, error, ambiguity or discrepancy within the Contract Documents or between the Contract Documents and any provision of any such Law or Regulation applicable to the performance of the Work or of any such standard, specification, manual or code or of any instruction of any Supplier referred to in 7.2, the **Contractor** shall report it to the **Professional and Project Manager** in writing at once; and the **Contractor** shall not proceed with the Work affected thereby (except in an emergency as authorized by 7.13) until an amendment or supplement to the Contract Documents has been issued by one of the methods indicated in 4.3.1 or 4.3.2; however, the **Contractor** shall not be liable to the **County** for failure to report any such conflict, error, ambiguity or discrepancy unless the **Contractor** knew or reasonably should have known.

4.2.2 No provision of any such standard, specification, manual, code or instruction shall be effective to change the duties and responsibilities of the **County, Contractor** or **Professional**, or any of their subcontractors, consultants, agents or employees from those set forth in the Contract Documents, nor shall it be effective to assign to the **County, Professional** or any of the **Professional's** consultants, agents or employees any duty or authority to supervise or direct the furnishing or performance of the Work or any duty or authority to undertake responsibility inconsistent with the provisions of 10.7.1 or any other provision of the Contract Documents.

4.3 Amending

4.3.1 The Contract Documents may be amended to provide for additions, deletions and revisions to the Work by a Change Order or an Allowance Authorization.

4.3.2 In addition, the requirements of the Contract Documents may be supplemented and **minor** variations and deviations in the Work may be authorized by a Field Order or the **Professional's** written interpretation or clarification.

4.4 Reuse of Documents

4.4.1 The **Contractor**, any Subcontractor, Supplier or other person or organization performing or furnishing any of the Work under a direct or indirect contract with the **County** shall not have or acquire any title to or ownership rights in any of the Drawings, Specifications or other documents (or copies of any thereof) prepared by or bearing the seal of the **Professional** or the **Professional's** consultant; and shall not reuse any of such Drawings, Specifications, other documents or copies on extensions of the Project or any other project without written consent of the **County** and specific written verification or adaption by the **Professional**.

ARTICLE 5 – PROJECT CONDITIONS

5.1 Availability of Lands

5.1.1 The **County** shall furnish, as indicated in the Contract Documents, the lands upon which the Work is to be performed, rights-of-way and easements for access thereto, and such other lands which are designated for the use of the **Contractor**. Upon reasonable written request, the **County** shall furnish the **Contractor** with a correct statement of record legal title and legal description of the lands upon which the Work is to be performed. The **County** shall identify any encumbrances or restrictions not of general application, but specifically related to use of lands so furnished with which the **Contractor** will have to comply in performing the Work. Necessary easements or rights-of-way will be obtained and expenses will be borne by the **County**. If the **Contractor** and the **County** are unable to agree on entitlement to or the amount or extent of any adjustments in the Contract Price or the Contract Time as a result of any delay in the **County's** furnishing these lands, rights-of-way or easements, the **Contractor** may make a claim therefore as provided in Articles 12 and 13. The **Contractor** shall provide for all additional lands and access, which includes access by **County** personnel thereto that may be required for temporary construction facilities or storage of material and equipment.

5.2 Subsurface and Physical Conditions

5.2.1 Reference is made to the Supplementary Conditions for identification of those reports of exploration and tests of subsurface conditions at or contiguous to the site that have been utilized in preparing the Contract Documents.

5.3 Limited Reliance by Contractor Authorized Technical Data

5.3.1 The **Contractor** may rely upon the general accuracy of the "technical data" contained in reports and drawings provided by the **County**. Such "technical data" is

identified in the Supplemental Conditions. Except for said reliance on such “technical data,” the **Contractor** may not rely upon or make any claim against the **County**, **Professional** or any of the **Professional’s** consultants with respect to:

5.3.1.1 the completeness of these reports and drawings for the **Contractor’s** purposes, including, but not limited to, any aspects of the means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures of construction to be employed by the **Contractor** and safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or

5.3.1.2 other data, interpretations, opinions and information contained in said reports or shown or indicated in said drawings; or

5.3.1.3 any **Contractor** interpretation of or conclusion drawn from any “technical data” or any such data, interpretations, opinions or information.

5.4 Unknown or Concealed Conditions

5.4.1 If conditions are encountered, excluding existing utilities, at the site which are (1) subsurface or otherwise concealed physical conditions which differ materially from those indicated in the Contract Documents or (2) unknown physical conditions of an unusual nature, which differ materially from those ordinarily found to exist and generally recognized as inherent in construction activities of the character provided for in the Contract Documents, then the **Contractor** shall give the **County** notice, through the **Professional**, immediately before conditions are disturbed and in no event no later than 24 hours after first observance of the conditions.

5.4.2 The **Project Manager** and the **Professional** shall promptly investigate such conditions and, if they differ materially and cause an increase or decrease in the **Contractor’s** cost of, or time required for, performance of any part of the Work, the **Project Manager** and the **Professional** shall recommend an equitable adjustment in the Contract Price or Contract Time, or both. If the **Project Manager** and the **Professional** determine that the conditions at the site are not materially different from those indicated in the Contract Documents or are not materially different from those ordinarily found and that no change in the terms of the Contract is justified, the **Professional** shall notify the **Contractor** of the determination in writing. The Work shall be performed after the **Professional** provides direction.

5.5 Physical Conditions – Underground Facilities

5.5.1 The information and data shown or indicated in the Contract Documents with respect to existing Underground Facilities at or contiguous to the site is based on information and data furnished to the **County** or the **Professional** by the owners of such Underground Facilities or by others. Unless it is otherwise expressly provided in the Supplementary Conditions:

5.5.1.1 The **County** and the **Professional** shall not be responsible for the accuracy or completeness of any such information or data; and

5.5.1.2 The cost of the following will be included in the Contract Price and the **Contractor** shall have full responsibility for (i) reviewing and checking all such information and data; (ii) locating all Underground Facilities shown or indicated in the Contract Documents; (iii) coordination of the Work with the owners of such Underground Facilities during construction; and (iv) the safety and protection of all such Underground Facilities as provided in 7.11 and repairing any damage resulting from the Work.

5.5.2 If an Underground Facility is uncovered or revealed at or continuant to the site which was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents, the **Contractor** shall, promptly after becoming aware of and before further disturbing conditions affected by or performing any Work in connection therewith (except in an emergency as required by 7.13), identify the owner of such Underground Facility and give written notice to that owner and to the **County** through the **Professional**. The **Project Manager** and the **Professional** will promptly review the Underground Facility and determine the extent, if any, to which a change is required in the Contract Documents to reflect and document the consequences of the existence of the Underground Facility. If the **Project Manager** concludes that a change in the Contract Documents is required, a Change Order will be issued as provided in Article 11 to reflect and document such consequences. During such time, the **Contractor** shall be responsible for the safety and protection of such Underground Facility as provided in 7.11. The **Contractor** shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Time, or both, to the extent that they are attributable to the existence of any Underground Facility that was not shown or indicated in the Contract Documents and that the **Contractor** did not know of and could not reasonably have been expected to be aware of or to have anticipated. If the **County** and the **Contractor** are unable to agree on entitlement to or the amount or length of any such adjustment in Contract Price or Contract Time, the **Contractor** may make a claim therefore as provided in Articles 12 and 13. However, the **County** and the **Professional** shall not be liable to the **Contractor** for any claims, costs, losses or damages incurred or sustained by the **Contractor** on or in connection with any other project or anticipated project.

5.6 Reference Points

5.6.1 The **County** shall provide the **Contractor** surveys to establish reference points for construction, which in the **County's** judgment are necessary to enable the **Contractor** to proceed with the Work. The **Contractor** shall be responsible for laying out the Work; shall protect and preserve the established reference points; and shall make no changes or relocation without the prior written approval of the **County**. The **Contractor** shall report to the **Professional** whenever any reference point is lost or destroyed or requires relocation of such reference points by professionally qualified personnel.

5.7 Asbestos, PCBs, Petroleum, Hazardous Waste or Radioactive Material

5.7.1 The **County** shall be responsible for any Asbestos, PCBs, Petroleum, Hazardous Waste or Radioactive material or any hazardous material uncovered or revealed at the site which was not shown or indicated in drawings or specifications or identified in the Contract Documents to be within the scope of the Work and which may present a substantial danger to persons or property exposed thereto in connection with the Work at the site. The **County** shall not be responsible for any such material brought to the site by the **Contractor**, Subcontractor, Suppliers or anyone else for whom the **Contractor** is responsible.

5.7.2 The **Contractor** shall immediately: (i) stop all work in connection with such hazardous condition and in any area affected thereby (except in an emergency as required by 7.13); and (ii) notify the **County** and the **Professional** (and thereafter confirm such notice in writing). The **County** shall promptly consult with the **Professional** concerning the necessity for the **County** to retain a qualified expert to evaluate such hazardous condition or take corrective action, if any. The **Contractor** shall not be required to resume Work in connection with such hazardous condition or in any such affected area until after the **County** has obtained any required permits related thereto and delivered to the **Contractor** special written notice (i) specifying that such condition and any affected area is or has been rendered safe for the resumption of work; or (ii) specifying any special conditions under which such Work may be resumed safely:

If the **County** and the **Contractor** cannot agree as to entitlement to or the amount or extent of an adjustment, if any, in Contract Price or Contract Time as a result of such work stoppage or such special conditions under which Work is agreed by the **Contractor** to be resumed, either party may make a claim therefore as provided in Articles 12 and 13.

5.7.3 If, after receipt of such special written notice, the **Contractor** does not agree to resume such work based on a reasonable belief it is unsafe, or does not agree to resume such work under such special conditions, then the **Contractor** may order such portion of the work that is in connection with such hazardous conditions or in such affected area to be deleted from the Work. If the **County** and the **Contractor** cannot agree as to entitlement to or the amount or extent of an adjustment, if any, in Contract Price or Contract Time as a result of deleting such portion of the Work, then either party may make a claim therefore as provided in Articles 12 and 13. The **County** may have such deleted portion of the Work performed by the **County's** own forces or others in accordance with Article 8.

5.7.4 The provisions of 5.2 and 5.5 are not intended to apply to Asbestos, PCBs, Petroleum, Hazardous Waste or Radioactive Material uncovered or revealed at the site.

Article 6 - BONDS, INSURANCE, INDEMNIFICATION

6.1 Public Construction Bond and Other Bonds

6.1.1 The **Contractor** shall furnish a Public Construction Bond, unless otherwise stated in the Invitation for Bid, in an amount equal to the amount recommended for award and, if called out in the contract, the allowance amount, as security for the faithful performance and payment of all the **Contractor's** obligations under the Contract Documents. This Bond shall remain in effect at least until one year after the date when final payment becomes due, except as otherwise provided by Laws or Regulations or by the Contract Documents. The **Contractor** shall also furnish such other Bonds as are required by the Supplementary Conditions. All Bonds shall be in the form prescribed by the Contract Documents except as otherwise provided by Laws or Regulations, and shall be executed by such sureties as are named in the current list of "Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies" as published in Circular 570 (amended) by the Audit Staff, Bureau of Government Financial Operations, U.S. Treasury Department and A.M. Best rated AVIII or better.

6.1.2 The **Contractor** shall be required to furnish additional coverage for added work. The surety is required to increase the amount of the bond in the same amount of one or more change orders.

6.1.3 The bonds required by the Contract Documents to be purchased and maintained by the **Contractor** shall be obtained from a surety that is duly licensed or authorized in the State of Florida to issue bond for the limits and coverages so required. All bonds signed by an agent must be accompanied by a certify copy of authority to act. Such surety shall also meet such additional requirements and qualifications as may be provided in the Supplementary conditions.

6.1.4 If the surety on any bond furnished by the **Contractor** is declared bankrupt, becomes insolvent, its right to do business is terminated in any state or it ceases to meet the requirements of 6.1.1, the **Contractor** shall within ten (10) work days thereafter substitute another bond and surety, both of which must be acceptable to the **County**.

6.2 Certificates of Insurance

6.2.1 All insurance required by the Contract Documents to be purchased and maintained by the **Contractor** shall be obtained from an insurance company that is duly licensed or authorized in the State of Florida to issue insurance policies for the limits and coverages so required. Such insurance companies shall also meet such additional requirements and qualifications as may be provided in the Supplementary Conditions.

6.2.2 The **Contractor** shall deliver to the **County**, with copies to each additional insured identified in 6.3.1, certificates of insurance (and other evidence of insurance requested by the **County** or any other additional insured) which the **Contractor** is required to purchase and maintain in accordance with 6.3.1.

6.3 Contractor’s Liability Insurance

6.3.1 The **Contractor** shall purchase and maintain such liability and other insurance as is appropriate for the work being performed and furnished and will provide protection from claims set forth below which may arise out of or result from **Contractor’s** performance and furnishing of the Work and the **Contractor’s** other obligations under the Contract documents, whether it is to be performed or furnished by the **Contractor**, Subcontractor, Supplier or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable. The **Contractor** shall purchase and maintain in force during the contract period with an insurer licensed to do business in the State of Florida; rated “A” or better by A.M. Best Rating Company for Class VIII financial size category, and acceptable to the **County** the following insurances. The limits of liability for the insurance shall provide coverage for not less than the following amounts or greater where required by Laws and Regulations.

- a. Workers’ Compensation Insurance providing statutory benefits, including those that may be required by any applicable federal statute:

Admitted in Florida	Yes
Employer’s Liability	\$100,000
All States Endorsement	Statutory
USL & H Endorsement	Statutory
Voluntary Compensation	Statutory

- b. Commercial General Liability Insurance, naming the **County** (Owner) as an additional insured and/or Owner Protective Liability, when required by the County’s Risk Manager, Contractual, Products and Completed Operations Liability coverage on an occurrence policy form in limits not less than those listed and deductible amounts not to exceed \$25,000.

Aggregate Combined:	<u>\$2,000,000</u>
Each Occurrence:	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
M&C/CGL	<u>\$</u>
Broad Form CGL	<u>\$1,000,000</u>

Contractual Liability	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Products	<u>\$</u>
Completed Operations	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Personal Injury	<u>\$</u>
Independent Contractors	<u>\$</u>
XCU Property Damage Excel	<u>\$</u>
Excess Liability	<u>\$</u>

Regarding Completed Operations Liability: Continue coverage in force for two (2) years after **County's** acceptance of the project.

- c. Automobile Liability Insurance. Coverage shall be maintained by the **Contractor** as to the ownership, maintenance and use of all of its owned, non-owned, leased or hired vehicles with limits of not less than:

Bodily Injury & Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000
 Combined Single Limit Each Accident

These policies will provide that:

- 1) The insurer(s) waive their rights of subrogation in favor of the **County**, their officials, employees, agents and consultants for Workers' Compensation and General Liability.
- 2) The **County**, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, shall be named as an additional insured with respect to liability arising from the work performed for the County by the Contractor (as defined by the scope of this bid and subsequent contract) for Automotive and General Liability policies of insurance. This should be stated on Certificate(s) of Insurance and subsequently endorsed into the policies. Renewal notices to be sent to the Procurement Division.
- 3) The **Contractor** shall not be given Notice to proceed under this contract until it has obtained all the insurance required by the Contract Documents and such insurance has been approved by the **County**. The original insurance certificates shall be given to:

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida
 P.O. Box 9005, Drawer AS05
 Bartow, Florida 33830

The acceptable form of the certificate of insurance shall be the industry standard ACORD certificate.

6.3.2 Notwithstanding any other provision of these documents to the contrary, the **Contractor** shall not provide Builder's Risk or Architects' and Engineers' Professional Liability Insurance unless specially requested by the **County**. The **County** has Builder's Risk coverage and will provide the **Contractor** with appropriate Certificate of Insurance upon request. The County's Builder's Risk policy does not insure the **Contractor's** tools, machinery or equipment that is stored at the job site. If the **Contractor** is required to store tools, machinery or equipment at the job site, the **Contractor** should provide insurance in the form of an equipment floater for the **Contractor's** tools and equipment. The **County** should be named as an additional insured on the **Contractor's** policy, with an appropriate waiver of subrogation as to any claims the **Contractor** or the **Contractor's** insurer may have against the **County** arising from the storage of the **Contractor's** tools and equipment.

6.3.3 The **Contractor** shall not allow a Subcontractor to work on a project without either Subcontractor carrying their own Workers' Compensation and Liability insurance or the **Contractor** covering the Subcontractor under their policies. The policy is the same for each succeeding sub-tier contractor. The **County** may request proof of such coverage for any Subcontractor at any time during the project.

6.3.4 Any additional insurance, if required, will be called out in the Supplementary Conditions.

6.4 Receipt and Application of Insurance Proceeds

6.4.1 Any insured loss under the policies of insurance required by this agreement will be adjusted with the **County** and made payable to the **County** as fiduciary for the insured as their interest may appear. The **County** shall account for all money received and shall distribute it in accordance with such agreement as the parties in interest may reach. If no other special agreement is reached, the damaged work shall be repaired or replaced; the money so received applied on account thereof; and the work and cost thereof covered by an appropriate change order or written amendment as determined by the **County**.

6.4.2 The **County** as fiduciary has the power to adjust and settle any loss with the insurers. If such objection is made, the **County** as fiduciary shall make settlement with the insurers in accordance with such agreement as the parties and interests may reach. If no such agreement among the parties and interests is reached, the **County** as fiduciary shall adjust and settle the loss with the insurers.

6.5 Indemnification

6.5.1 The **Contractor** shall indemnify, defend (by counsel reasonably acceptable to County) and hold harmless the County and its employees and agents from and against

all liabilities, claims, suits, demands, damages, losses and expenses, including attorney fees, including, but not limited to or resulting from the performance of its Work, provided that any such liability, claim, suit, demand, damage, loss or expenses (a) is attributable to bodily injury, personal injury, sickness, disease or death or injury to or destruction of tangible property, including the loss of use resulting therefrom; and (b) is caused in whole or in part by an act or omission of the Contractor, any subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, whether or not it is caused in whole or in part by the negligence or other fault of a party indemnified hereunder.

6.5.2 In any and all claims against the **County** or any of its agents or employees by any employee of the **Contractor**, any Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, the indemnification obligation under the previous paragraph shall not be limited in any way as to the amount or type of damages, compensations or benefits payable by or for the **Contractor** or any Subcontractor under workers' compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts.

6.5.3 The **Contractor** shall indemnify and hold harmless the **County** and anyone directly or indirectly employed by it from and against all claims, suits, demands, damages, losses or expenses (including attorney fees) arising out of any infringement of patent or copyrights held by others; and shall defend all such claims in connection with any alleged infringement of such rights.

ARTICLE 7 – CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.1 Supervision and Superintendence

7.1.1 The **Contractor** shall provide at all times when the Work is being executed a competent superintendent to supervise and direct the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Prior to the commencement of the Work the **Contractor** shall provide a resume of the superintendent that will be assigned the responsibility to supervise the Work. If in the judgment of the **County** the proposed superintendent lacks the experience, skills and expertise to competently and efficiently supervise and direct the Work, then the **County** may require the **Contractor** to assign a different superintendent and the **Contractor** will be required to submit the resume of the replacement for the same consideration as before. The **Contractor** shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures of construction, but the **Contractor** shall not be responsible for the negligence of others in the design or specifications of a specific means, method, technique, sequence or procedure of construction which is shown or indicated in and expressly required by the Contract Documents. The **Contractor** shall be responsible to see that the completed Work complies accurately with the Contract Documents.

7.1.2 The **Contractor** shall keep on the Work at all times during its progress a competent resident superintendent, who shall not be replaced without written notice to

the **County**, through the **Professional**, except under extraordinary circumstances. The superintendent will be the **Contractor's** representative at the site and shall have authority to act on behalf of the **Contractor**. All communications to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the **Contractor**.

7.2 Labor, Material and Equipment

7.2.1 The **Contractor** shall provide and pay for competent, suitable, qualified personnel to survey and lay out the Work and perform construction as required by the Contract Documents. The **Contractor** shall at all times maintain good discipline and order on the site.

7.2.2 The **Contractor** shall furnish and pay for all material, equipment, labor, transportation, construction equipment machinery, tools, appliances, fuel, power, light, heat, telephone, water facilities, sanitary facilities, all other facilities and all other incidentals whether temporary or permanent necessary for the execution, testing, initial operation, and completion of the Work as required by the Contract Documents.

7.2.3 All material and equipment shall be new and of good quality, except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents. If required by the **Professional**, the **Contractor** shall furnish satisfactory evidence as to the kind and quality of material and equipment.

7.2.4 All material and equipment shall be applied, installed, connected, erected, used, cleaned and conditioned in accordance with the instructions of the applicable manufacturer, fabricator or processor, except as otherwise provided in the Contract Documents.

7.3 Substitute Material or Equipment

7.3.1 If the **Contractor** wishes to furnish or use a proposed substitute after the award of the Contract, it shall within thirty (30) calendar days after Notice to Proceed make written application to the **Professional** and the **Project Manager** for consideration of such substitute, certifying in writing that the proposed substitute: will perform adequately the duties imposed by the general design; be similar and of equal substance or quality to that specified; and be suited to the same use and capable of performing the same function as that specified. No substitute shall be ordered or installed without the prior written approval of the **Professional**. The application shall also contain an itemized estimate of all costs that may result directly or indirectly from acceptance of such substitute, including costs of redesign, delays, maintenance and claims of other contractors affected by the resulting change, all of which shall be considered by the **Project Manager** and the **Professional** in evaluating the proposed substitute. Approval of any change in costs or schedule as a result of acceptance of the substitute by the **Professional** shall be by Change Order.

7.3.2 This paragraph applies to any cost reduction proposal (hereinafter referred to as a Value Engineering Change Proposal or VECP) initiated and developed by the **Contractor** for the purpose of refining the Contract Documents so as to contribute to design cost effectiveness or significantly improve the quality of the end result. VECPs must result in savings without impairing essential functions and characteristics such as safety, service, life, reliability, economy of operation, ease of maintenance, aesthetics and necessary standard design features. The **Contractor** must state that they are submitting a VECP proposal. The VECP shall be submitted to the **County** through the **Professional**. The **County** reserves the right to reject, at their discretion, any VECP submittal. As a minimum, the following information shall be submitted by the Contractor with each VECP:

- 1) A description of the difference between the existing contract requirement and the proposed change;
- 2) The comparative advantages and disadvantages; and
- 3) Separate detailed cost estimates for both the existing contract requirement and the proposed change.

If a VECP is approved by the **County**, the **Contractor** may be entitled to share in the savings up to fifty percent (50%).

7.4 Concerning Subcontractors

7.4.1 The **Contractor** shall be fully responsible for all acts and omissions of their Subcontractors and of persons directly or indirectly employed by them and of persons for whose acts any of them may be liable to the same extent as if they were employed by the **Contractor**. Nothing in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between any Subcontractor and the **County** or any obligation on the part of the **County** to pay or to see to the payment of any monies due any Subcontractor, except as may otherwise be required by law. The **County** may furnish to any Subcontractor, to the extent practical, evidence of amounts paid to the **Contractor** for specific Work done.

7.4.2 The **Contractor** shall identify and provide information on Subcontractors, Suppliers and other persons or organizations which shall be used by the **Contractor**, in accordance with requirements of the Contract Documents.

7.4.3 The divisions and sections of the Specifications and the identifications of any Drawings shall not control the **Contractor** in dividing work among Subcontractor or delineating the Work to be performed by any specific trade.

7.4.4 The **Contractor** agrees to bind specifically every Subcontractor to the applicable terms and conditions of the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the General Conditions and Supplementary Conditions, for the benefit of the **County**.

7.4.5 All Work performed for the **Contractor** by a Subcontractor shall be pursuant to an appropriate written agreement between the **Contractor** and the Subcontractor which shall contain provisions that waive all rights the contracting parties may have against one another for damages caused by fire or other perils covered by insurance, except such rights as they may have to the proceeds of such insurance held by the **County** as trustee. The **Contractor** shall pay each Subcontractor an appropriate amount, determined by the value of the Work, of any insurance monies received by the **Contractor** under this insurance.

7.5 Patent Fees and Royalties

7.5.1. The **Contractor** shall pay all license fees and royalties and assume all costs incident to the use of any invention, design, process or device which is the subject of patent rights or copyrights held by others. The **Contractor** shall indemnify and hold harmless the **County** and its employees and agents from and against all claims, costs, losses and damages arising out of or resulting from any infringement of patent rights or copyrights incident to the use in the performance of the Work or resulting from the incorporation in the Work of any invention, design, process, product or device not specified in the Contract Documents.

7.6 Permits

7.6.1 The **Contractor** shall obtain and pay for all construction permits, licenses, governmental charges, inspection fees and all public utility charges which are applicable and necessary for the execution of the Work. All permit costs and public utility charges shall not be included in the base bid. Permit fees, if any, will be reimbursed to the **Contractor** on a separate invoice. Permits, if any, that are provided and paid for by the **County**, are listed in the Supplementary Conditions. Any delays associated with the permitting process will be considered for time extensions only; however, no damages or additional compensation for delay will be allowed.

7.7 Laws and Regulations

7.7.1 The **Contractor** shall give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules and regulations applicable to the Work. If the **Contractor** observes that any of the Contract Documents are contradictory to such laws, rules and regulations, it will notify the Professional promptly in writing. Any necessary changes shall then be adjusted by an appropriate Change Order. If the **Contractor** performs any Work that they know or should have known to be contrary to such laws, ordinances, rules and regulations and without such notice to the Professional, the **Contractor** shall bear all related costs.

7.8 Taxes

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

7.9 Use of Premises

7.9.1 The **Contractor** shall confine their equipment, storage of material, storage of equipment and the operations of their workers to the areas permitted by law, ordinances, permits or the requirements of the Contract Documents. The **Contractor** shall not unreasonably encumber the site with material and equipment. Any loss or damage to the **Contractor's** or any Subcontractor's equipment is solely at the risk of the **Contractor**.

7.9.2 During the progress of the Work, the **Contractor** shall keep the premises free from accumulations of waste material, rubbish and other debris or contaminants resulting from the Work. At the completion of the Work, the **Contractor** shall remove all waste material, rubbish and debris from and about the premises as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment, machinery and surplus material. The **Contractor** shall leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by the **County** at substantial completion of the Work. The **Contractor** shall restore to original condition all property so designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

7.9.3 The **Contractor** shall not load or permit any part of any structure to be loaded in any manner that will endanger the structure. The **Contractor** shall not subject any part of the Work or adjacent property to stresses or pressures that will endanger them.

7.10 Record Documents

7.10.1 The **Contractor** shall keep at the site and in good order one record copy of the Contract Documents to include all Drawings and Specifications. These documents shall be annotated on a continuing basis to show all changes made during the construction process. These shall be available to the **Professional** and the **Project Manager** for their review. Upon completion of the requirements of the Contract Documents the **Contractor** shall turn over these annotated documents to the **County** unless instructed otherwise in the Supplementary Conditions.

7.11 Safety and Protection

7.11.1 The **Contractor** shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of and will provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury or loss to:

7.11.1.2 All employees on the Work and other persons who may be affected by it.

7.11.1.3 All the Work and all material or equipment to be incorporated, whether in storage on or off the site. The **Contractor** shall assume all risk of loss for stored equipment or material, irrespective of whether the **Contractor** has transferred the title of the stored equipment or material to the **County**.

7.11.1.4 Other property at the site or adjacent to it, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures and utilities not designated for removal, relocation or replacement in the course of construction.

7.11.2 The **Contractor** is responsible for observing all OSHA regulations and shall self-inspect to ensure this is accomplished. The **Contractor** shall ensure that all personnel are properly trained and shall be able to provide documentation for their personnel that have attended training courses. Examples of such training courses are: Hazard Communications, Traffic Work Zone Safety, Personal Protective Equipment, First Aid/CPR, Permit Required Confined Space, Lock Out/Tag Out of Hazardous Energy. The **Contractor** is required to comply with OSHA Standards regardless of the number of employees they may have.

7.11.3 A **County** representative may periodically monitor work site safety. Should there be safety and/or health violations, classified as Serious, Willful or Criminal/Willful Violations, the **County's** representative may have the authority, but not the duty, to require the **Contractor** to correct the violation in an expeditious manner. Inspections shall be based on requirements contained in law. The definitions of serious, willful and criminal/willful violations are as follows:

Serious Violation: A serious violation shall be deemed to exist in a place of employment if there is a substantial probability that death or serious physical harm could result from a condition which exists; or from one or more practices, means, methods, operations or processes which have been adopted or are in use, in such place of employment unless the employer did not, and could not, with the exercise of reasonable diligence, know of the presence of the violation.

Willful Violation: May exist where evidence shows that the employer committed an intentional and knowing violation of the Act.

Criminal/Willful Violation: A repeat violation of a previously cited willful violation.

Violation of Serious, Willful or Criminal violation may have the following consequences:

First violation: The correction may be a verbal warning and the correction shall be done the same day. Written documentation may be maintained by the **County**.

Second violation May result in work stoppage until the violation is corrected. The work stoppage shall not entitle the **Contractor** to additional

contract time or compensation. Liquidated damages provision will remain in full force and effect.

Third violation This may constitute a breach of contract for safety violations and may result in termination of the contract, at the sole discretion of the **County**.

Note: The County Safety Officer may stop any job to ensure the safety of all concerned.

7.11.4 Should the work site be in a hazardous area, the **County** may furnish the **Contractor** with information concerning hazards such as types or identification of known toxic material, machine hazards, Material Safety Data Sheets or any other information that would assist the **Contractor** in the planning of a safe work site.

7.11.5 The **Contractor** shall be aware that while working for the **County**, representatives from agencies such as the United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) are invitees and need not have warrants or permission to enter the work site. These agencies, as well as the County Safety Officer, enter at the pleasure of the **County**.

7.11.6 The **Contractor** shall designate a competent person of its organization whose duty shall be the prevention of accidents at the site. This person shall be the **Contractor's** superintendent, unless otherwise designated in writing by the **Contractor** to the **Professional**. All communications to the superintendent shall be as binding as if given to the **Contractor**.

7.11.7 Should there be catastrophic injuries, as defined by OSHA, or a fatality on the worksite, the County Safety Manager, Risk Management Division, (863) 534-5267, shall be notified immediately. The Contractor shall promptly report by telephone and in writing to a County Representative and Professional all accidents arising out of or in connection with the Work which cause death, personal injury (defined by OSHA as a "lost time" accident), or property damage in excess of \$500.00; giving full details and statements of any witnesses. County Representatives are defined as follows: The Division Director or the authorized representative, the division Project Manager and County Risk Management. Non-adherence to this policy could be cause for disqualification of the Contractor on future County Projects.

7.11.8 Should the County Safety Manager, require the OSHA 300 Log, a written safety and health plan and/or training documents, these documents shall be at this office within 24 hours of the request. Failure to provide the documentation within that time frame may cause the job to be shut down, at no expense to the **County**, until such documents are received.

7.11.9 In any event the **County** may stop the work when, in the **County's** opinion, the work is being performed in violation of any health and safety rules, regulations or laws. This includes environmental issues.

7.11.10 When it becomes necessary to stop the work for any of the reasons contained herein, the **County** shall issue a Stop Work Order to instruct the **Contractor** to cease work on the project. The **County** shall not be penalized in any manner as a result of this Stop Work Order.

7.12 Drug Free Work Place Policy

7.12.1 The **County** has a very comprehensive policy to ensure a drug free work place. The substance of this policy shall become a part of this contract as described below.

7.12.1.1 The **Contractor** and its employees and Subcontractors are strictly prohibited from the following:

Using illegal drugs on **County** property; Manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, selling, possessing, or using a non-prescribed substance, illegal drug or alcohol, while at work or on or in **County** property. Reporting for work or performing work under the influence of a non-prescribed substance, illegal drug or alcohol.

7.12.1.2 If there is reason to believe that this policy is being violated, the **Contractor** shall be required to take immediate action to correct the violation and ensure the **County** that further violations will not occur. The remedy shall, at a minimum, require the person or persons who are the subject of the violation to be banned from the work place.

7.13 Emergencies

7.13.1 In emergencies affecting the safety of persons, the Work or property at the site or adjacent thereto, the **Contractor**, without special instructions or authorization from the **Professional** if time or circumstances do not permit, is obligated to prevent or mitigate threatened damage, injury or loss. The **Contractor** shall give the **Professional** written notice that the emergency provision has been invoked and shall state the reasons within twenty-four (24) hours of the incident. If the **Contractor** believes the emergency results in additional Work, a claim for a Change Order may be submitted in accordance with the procedures set forth herein.

7.13.1.1 The **Contractor** shall immediately notify the **Professional** of all events involving personal injuries to any person on the site, whether or not such person was engaged in the construction of the Project, and shall file a written report on such person(s) and any other event resulting in property damage of any amount within five (5) calendar days of the occurrence.

7.13.1.2 If the **Professional** determines that a change in the Contract Documents is required because of the action taken by the **Contractor** in response to such an emergency, a Change Order will be issued to document the consequences of such action.

7.14 Submittals and Samples

7.14.1 After checking and verifying all field measurements, the **Contractor** shall promptly submit to the **Professional** for approval, in accordance with the accepted schedule of submittals, all submittals and samples required by the Contract Documents. All submittals and samples shall have been checked by and stamped with the approval of the **Contractor** and identified as the **Professional** may require. The data shown on or with the submittals will be complete with respect to dimensions, design criteria, materials and any other information necessary to enable the **Professional** to review the submittal as required. At the time of each submission, the **Contractor** shall give notice to the **Professional** of all deviations that the submittal or sample may have from the requirements of the Contract Documents.

7.14.1.1 The **Professional** shall review and approve submittals and samples. The **Professional's** review and approval shall be only for conformance with the design concept of the Project and compliance with the information given in the Contract Documents. The approval of a separate item as such will not indicate approval of the assembly in which the item functions. The **Contractor** will make any corrections required by the **Professional** and resubmit the required number of corrected copies until approved. The **Contractor's** stamp of approval on any submittal or sample shall constitute its representation to the **Professional** and the **County** that the **Contractor** has determined and verified all quantities, dimensions, field construction criteria, materials, catalog numbers and similar data; and that each submittal or sample has been reviewed or coordinated with the requirements of the Work and the Contract Documents.

7.14.1.2 No Work requiring a submittal or sample submission shall commence until the submission has been approved by the **Professional**. A copy of each approved submittal and each approved sample shall be kept in good order by the **Contractor** at the site and shall be available to the **Professional** and the **County** staff. Any delays associated with the submittal process will be considered for time extensions only, and no damages or additional compensation for delay will be allowed.

7.14.1.3 The **Professional's** approval of submittals or samples shall not relieve the **Contractor** from responsibility for any variation from the requirements of the Contract Documents unless the **Contractor** has in writing called the **Professional's** attention to each such variation at the time of submission and the **Project Manager** has given written approval to the specific deviation; any such approval by the **Professional** shall not relieve the **Contractor** from responsibility for errors or omissions in the submittal.

7.14.1.4 Where a shop drawing or sample is required by the Contract Documents or the schedule of shop drawings and sample submissions accepted by the **Professional** as required, any related work performed prior to the Professional's review and approval of the pertinent submittal will be at the sole expense and responsibility of the **Contractor**.

7.15 Cleaning Up

7.15.1 The **Contractor** shall maintain the site free from accumulations of waste material, rubbish and other debris or contaminates resulting from the work, at a minimum, on a daily basis or as otherwise required. At the completion of the work, the **Contractor** shall remove all waste material, rubbish and debris from the site as well as all tools, construction equipment, machinery and surplus material; and will leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by the **County**. All disposals shall be in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. In addition to any other rights available to the **County** under the Contract Documents, the **Contractor's** failure to maintain the site may result in withholding of any amounts due the **Contractor**. The **Contractor** will restore to original condition those portions of the site not designated for alteration by the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 8 – OTHER WORK

8.1 The **County** may perform additional work related to the Project with its own forces or may use other contracts for the execution of additional work. The **Contractor** shall provide the other contractors who are parties to such contracts, including but not limited to, the other contractor's employees, agents, Subcontractors and Suppliers (or the **County's** forces performing the additional work), reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of material and equipment and the execution of work, and shall properly connect and coordinate its work with theirs. The **Contractor** shall do all cutting, fitting and patching of the Work that may be required to make its several parts come together properly and integrate with such other work. The **Contractor** shall not endanger any work of others by cutting, excavating or otherwise altering their work and will only cut or alter their work with the written consent of the **Professional** and the others whose work will be affected. The **Contractor** is not entitled to exclusive use of the site.

8.1.1 If any part of the **Contractor's** work depends (for proper execution or results) upon the work of any other contractor (or the **County**), the Contractor will inspect and promptly report to the Professional in writing any defects or deficiencies in the work that renders it unsuitable for the proper execution and results. The **Contractor's** failure to report shall constitute an acceptance of the other work, except as to defects and deficiencies which may appear in the other work after the execution of its work.

ARTICLE 9 – COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITIES

9.1 Except as otherwise provided in these General Conditions, the **County** shall issue all communications to the **Contractor** through the **Professional**.

9.1.1 The **County** shall furnish the data required under the Contract Documents and shall make payments to the **Contractor** when due as provided in Article 15.

9.1.2 The **County's** responsibilities for providing lands, easements and engineering surveys to establish reference points are set forth in Article 5.

ARTICLE 10 – PROFESSIONAL'S STATUS DURING CONSTRUCTION

10.1 County's Representative

10.1.1 The **Professional** shall be a representative of the **County** during the construction period. The duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the **Professional** as the **County's** representative during construction are set forth in these General Conditions.

10.2 Visits to the Site

10.2.1 The **Professional** shall make periodic visits to the site to observe the progress and quality of the executed Work and to determine, in general, if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents.

10.3 Clarifications and Interpretations

10.3.1 The **Professional** shall issue such written clarifications or interpretations of the Contract Documents (in the form of Drawings or otherwise) as may be determined necessary, or as reasonably requested by the **Contractor**, which shall be consistent with or reasonably inferable from the overall intent of the Contract Documents. If the **Contractor** believes that a written clarification and interpretation entitles them to an increase in the Contract Price, Contract time, or both, the **Contractor** may make a claim as provided for in Article 11, 12 and 13.

10.4 Rejecting Defective Work

10.4.1 The **Professional** has the authority to disapprove or reject Work, which is defective. The **Professional** also has authority to require special inspection or testing of the Work at the **Contractor's** expense, as provided in Article 14, whether or not the Work is fabricated, installed or completed when the work has been declared defective.

10.5 Resident Engineer or Architect

10.5.1 The **Professional** may furnish a full or part-time Resident Engineer or Architect and other personnel to assist them in carrying out services at the site. The duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the Resident Engineer or Architect and other personnel are set forth in the Supplementary Conditions, if applicable.

10.6 Decisions on Disagreements

10.6.1 The **Professional** shall interpret the requirements of the Contract Documents and determine the acceptability of the Work. If the **Contractor** disagrees with the **Professional's** opinion, the **Contractor** shall refer claims, disputes and other matters relating to the acceptability of the Work or their interpretation of the requirements of the Contract Documents initially to the **Professional** in writing with a request for a formal decision. The **Professional** will render in writing their opinion concerning the **Contractor's** request for a formal decision and shall submit same to the **Project Manager**. After receipt of the **Professional's** written opinion and all information requested from the **Contractor**, the **Project Manager** shall render a formal decision in writing, which shall then be conveyed to the **Contractor** by the **Professional**. Written notice of each claim, dispute and other matter shall be delivered by the **Contractor** to the **Professional** within seven (7) calendar days of the occurrence first happening. Written supporting data will be submitted to the **Professional** within fifteen (15) calendar days after the occurrence unless the **Professional** allows additional time. If the **Contractor** fails to strictly comply with these notices and submittal time periods, the **Contractor** shall be deemed to have waived their right to assert a claim the **Contractor** might otherwise have had concerning the matter.

10.7 Limitation on Professional's Responsibilities

10.7.1 Neither the **Professional's** authority to act under this Article or elsewhere in the Contract Documents, nor any decision made in good faith to exercise their authority, shall give rise to any duty or responsibility of the **Professional** to the **Contractor**, any Subcontractor, any of their agents or employees.

10.7.1.1 The **Professional** shall not be responsible for the construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, procedures or the safety precautions and programs used. The **Professional** shall not be responsible for the **Contractor's** failure to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

10.7.1.2 The **Professional** shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of the **Contractor**, any **Subcontractors**, any agents, employees or any other persons performing any of the Work.

ARTICLE 11 – CHANGES IN THE WORK

11.1 Changes

11.1.1 Without invalidating the **Contract**, the **County** may at any time order additions, deletions or revisions in the Work. The **Professional** shall provide the **Contractor** with a proposal request, identifying the work to be added, deleted or revised. Upon receipt, the **Contractor** shall promptly submit a written proposal for the changed work prepared

in accordance with Articles 12 and 13. If the proposal request calls only for the deletion of work, the **Professional** may order the partial suspension of any work related to the proposed deletion, in which case the **Contractor** must cease performance as directed; the **Contractor** shall not be entitled to claim lost profits on deleted work. All change work shall be executed under the applicable conditions of the Contract Documents.

11.1.2 Additional work performed by the **Contractor** without authorization of a Change Order or Allowance Authorization will not entitle the **Contractor** to an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Time, except in the case of an emergency as provided in Article 7. The effect of this paragraph shall remain paramount and shall prevail irrespective of any conflicting provisions contained in these Contract Documents.

11.1.3 Upon agreement as to changes in the Work to be performed, work performed in an emergency as provided in Article 7, and any other claim of the **Contractor** for a change in the Contract Time or the Contract Price, the **Professional** will prepare a written Change Order to be signed by the **Professional** and the **Contractor** and submitted to the **County** for approval.

11.1.4 It is the **Contractor's** responsibility to notify its Surety of any changes affecting the general scope of the Work, Contract Price or Contract Time.

11.1.5 In the absence of an agreement as provided in 11.1.3, the **County** may, at its sole discretion, issue a Construction Change Directive to the Contractor. Pricing of the Construction Change Directive will be in accordance with Section 12.1.3. The Construction Change Directive will specify a price and, if applicable, a time extension determined to be reasonable by the County. If the Contractor fails to sign such Construction Change Directive, the Contractor may submit a claim in accordance with Articles 11, 12 and 13, but the Contractor shall nevertheless be obligated to fully perform the Work as directed by the Construction Change Directive.

11.1.6 The **Contractor** shall proceed diligently with performance of the Work as directed by the **County**, regardless of pending claim actions, unless otherwise agreed to in writing.

ARTICLE 12 – CHANGE OF CONTRACT PRICE

12.1 The Contract Price

12.1.1 The Contract Price constitutes the total compensation (subject to written authorized adjustments) payable to the **Contractor** for performing the Work. All duties, responsibilities and obligations assigned to or undertaken by the **Contractor** shall be at the **Contractor's** expense without change in the Contract Price.

12.1.2 The Contract Price may only be increased or decreased by a written Change Order or Construction Change Directive. Any claim for an increase shall be in writing

and delivered to the **Professional** within seven (7) calendar days of the occurrence first happening. Written supporting data will be submitted to the **Professional** within fifteen (15) calendar days after the occurrence unless the **County** allows additional time.

12.1.3. The value of any work covered by a Change Order or of any claim for an adjustment in the Contract Price will be determined by the following procedures:

12.1.3.1 Designated Unit Price (Field Measure)

The **Contractor** and the **County** recognize and acknowledge that the quantities shown for those items designated in the Bid Submittal (Part C) as unit price items are approximations prepared by the **County** for bid purposes and that the actual compensation payable to the **Contractor** for the utilization of these items is based upon the application of unit prices to the actual quantities of items involved as measured in the field and required to complete the Work as originally defined in the Contract Documents.

When it is determined by the **County** that an addition, deletion or revision to the Work as defined in these Contract Documents is required and affects the quantities required for items designed in the Bid Submittal (Part C) as unit price items, the **Contractor** and the **County** agree that the compensation payable to the Contractor for the unit price items shall be adjusted accordingly by a Change Order based upon the application of the appropriate unit prices shown in the Bid Submittal (Part C) to the quantity of the unit price item required to complete the Work as defined in the Contract Documents.

12.1.3.2 Other Unit Prices

For items not designated in the Bid Submittal (Part C) as unit prices, the **County** and the **Contractor** may establish unit prices as agreed on by Change Order.

12.1.3.3 Lump Sum

When it is determined by the **County** that an addition, deletion or revision to the Work is required which results in a change in the Work designated in the Bid Submittal as a lump sum item, the amount of increase or decrease in the lump sum price shall be established by mutual agreement of the parties.

12.1.4 If the pricing methods specified in 12.1.3 are inapplicable, or if the parties are unable to agree on a price for the changed work, a reasonable price for the same shall be established by the **County** in accordance with 12.2. The County shall then process a unilateral Change Order, specifying the said reasonable price, in accordance with 11.1.5. The Contractor shall perform the work as directed in the Change Order.

12.1.5 Failure on the part of the **Contractor** to construct any item to plan or authorized dimensions within the specification tolerances shall result in: reconstruction to acceptable tolerances at no additional costs to the **County**; acceptance at no pay; or acceptance at reduced final pay quantity or reduced unit price, all at the discretion of the

County. Determinations of aggregate monetary change for items identified as lump sum quantities shall be made by the **County** based upon an analysis of the scope of the Contractor's failure to construct to plan or authorized dimensions.

12.2 Cost of Work

12.2.1 The term "Cost of Work," for the purpose of Change Orders or Allowance Work, means the cost necessarily incurred and paid by the Contractor in the proper performance of the Change Order Work. Except as may be agreed to in writing by the **Professional**, such costs shall be in amounts no higher than those prevailing in the area of the Work and may include the categories listed below.

12.2.1.1 Labor (payroll, taxes, fringe benefits, worker's compensation, health and retirement benefits, sick leave)

12.2.1.2 Owned Equipment (at lowest applicable equipment manual rate) (Blue Book Value)

12.2.1.3 Rented Equipment (at actual rental rate)

12.2.1.4 Material

12.2.1.5 Supplies

12.2.1.6 Subcontractors' Costs

12.2.1.7 Bonds and Insurance

12.2.1.8 Contractor's Fee (per 12.3)

12.2.1.9 Permit Fees

12.2.2 The **Contractor** shall require all Subcontractors and Suppliers to comply with all requirements of, and provide itemizations of, all claims in accordance with this Article.

12.2.3 The term "Cost of the Work" shall not include any of the following:

12.2.3.1 Payroll costs and other compensation of the **Contractor's** officers, executives, principals (of partnership and sole proprietorships), general managers, engineers, architects, estimators, layers, auditors, accountants, Procurement and contracting agents, expeditors, timekeepers, clerks and other personnel employed by the **Contractor**, whether at the site or in its principal or a branch office, for general administration of the Change Order work and not specifically included in the agreed upon schedule of job classifications, all of which are to be considered administrative costs covered by the **Contractor's** mark-up.

12.2.3.2 Extraordinary fringe benefits not specifically identified in Article 12.2.1.1.

12.2.3.3 Expenses of **Contractor's** principal and branch offices other than the **Contractor's** office at the site.

12.2.3.4 Any part of the **Contractor's** capital expenses, including interest on the **Contractor's** capital used for the Change Order work and charges against the **Contractor** for delinquent payments.

12.2.3.5 Cost of premiums for all bonds and insurance, whether or not the **Contractor** is required by the Contract Documents to purchase and maintain the same (except for additional bonds and insurance required because of changes in the work).

12.2.3.6 Costs due to the negligence of the **Contractor**, any Subcontractor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them or for whose acts any of them may be liable, including but not limited to: the correction of defective Work; disposal of material or equipment wrongly supplied; and making good any damage to property.

12.2.3.7 Overhead or general expense costs of any kind (other than as provided in 12.3).

12.3 Contractor's Mark-Up

12.3.1 The maximum percentage allowed for the **Contractor's** combined overhead and profit shall be as follows:

12.3.1.1 For all such Change Order work or Allowance Work done, a fixed percentage of the total adjustment to the Contract Price shall be negotiated and shall not exceed ten percent (10%).

12.3.2 For all changes, the **Contractor** shall submit an itemized cost breakdown, together with supporting data in the detail and form as prescribed by the **Professional**. When a credit is due, the amount of credit to be allowed by the **Contractor** to the **County** for any change which results in a net decrease in cost will be the amount of the actual net decrease in direct cost as determined by the **Professional**, plus the applicable reduction in overhead and profit. When both additions and credits are involved in any change, the combined overhead and profit shall be calculated on the basis of the net change, whether an increase or decrease. In any event, the minimum detail shall be an itemization of all man-hours required by discipline/trade with the unit cost per man-hour and total labor price, labor burden, equipment hours and rate for each piece of equipment, material by units of measure and price per unit, other costs specifically itemized, plus the overhead and profit markup.

ARTICLE 13 – CHANGE OF CONTRACT TIME

13.1 Except as specifically provided in Section 13.1.2 below, the Contract Time may only be changed by a Change Order. Any request for an extension in the Contract Time shall be made in writing and delivered to the **Professional** within seven (7) calendar days of the occurrence first happening and resulting in the claim. Written supporting data will be submitted to the **Project Manager** within fifteen (15) calendar days after the

occurrence, unless the **Professional** allows additional time. All claims submitted by the **Contractor** for adjustments to the Contract Time must set forth in detail the reasons for and causes of the delay and clearly indicate why the subject delay was beyond the **Contractor's** control or fault.

13.1.1 If the **Contractor** is delayed at any time in the performance, progress, commencement or completion of the Work by any act or neglect of the **County** or the **Professional**, by an employee of either, by any separate contractor employed by the **County**, by changes ordered in the Work, by labor disputes, fire, unavoidable casualties, utility conflicts which could not have been identified or foreseen by the **Contractor** using reasonable diligence or by any causes beyond the **Contractor's** control or fault (but excluding weather delays which are addressed in Section 13.1.2 below), then the Contract Time shall be extended by Change Order for such reasonable time as the **County** may determine. The **Contractor** shall be entitled to an extension of time for causes only for the number of days of delay which the **County** may determine to be due solely to these causes and only to the extent these occurrences actually delay the completion of the Work; and then only if the **Contractor** shall have strictly complied with all the requirements of the Contract Documents. Provided, however, notwithstanding anything in the Contract Documents to the contrary, no interruption, interference, inefficiency, suspension or delay in the performance, progress, commencement or completion of the Work for any cause whatsoever, including those for which the **County** or the **Professional** may be responsible in whole or in part, shall relieve **Contractor** of its duty to perform or give rise to any right to damages or additional compensation from the **County**. The Contractor's sole and exclusive remedy against the **County** for interruption, interference, inefficiency, suspension or delay of any aspect of the Work shall be right to seek an extension to the Contract Time in accordance with the procedures set forth herein.

13.1.2 The **County's** Project Manager may, in their discretion, approve a request from the Contractor to suspend work due to inclement weather. Such approval by the County's Project Manager must be in writing and, once given, shall serve to extend the contract time by the same number of days.

ARTICLE 14 - UNCONTROLLABLE FORCES (FORCE MAJEURE)

14.1 Either party hereunder may be temporarily excused from performance if an Event of Force Majeure directly or indirectly causes its nonperformance. An "Event of Force Majeure" is defined as any event which results in the prevention or delay of performance by a party of its obligations under this Agreement and which is beyond the reasonable control of the nonperforming party. It includes, but is not limited to fire, flood, earthquakes, storms, lightning, epidemic, war, riot, civil disturbance, sabotage, and governmental actions.

14.2 Neither party shall be excused from performance if non-performance is due to forces which are reasonably preventable, removable, or remediable and which the non-performing party could have, with the exercise of reasonable diligence, prevented, removed, or remedied prior to, during, or immediately after their occurrence. Within five (5) days after the occurrence of an Event of Force Majeure, the non-performing party shall deliver written notice to the other party describing the event in reasonably sufficient detail, along with proof of how the event has precluded the non-performing party from performing its obligations hereunder, and a good faith estimate as to the anticipated duration of the delay and the means and methods for correcting the delay.

14.3 The non-performing party's obligations, so far as those obligations are affected by the Event of Force Majeure, shall be temporarily suspended during, but no longer than, the continuance of the Event of Force Majeure and for a reasonable time thereafter as may be required for the non-performing party to return to normal business operations. If excused from performing any obligations under this Agreement due to the occurrence of an Event of Force Majeure, the non-performing party shall promptly, diligently, and in good faith take all reasonable action required for it to be able to commence or resume performance of its obligations under this Agreement. During any such time period, the non-performing party shall keep the other party duly notified of all such actions required for it to be able to commence or resume performance of its obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 15 – WARRANTY AND GUARANTEE: ACCEPTANCE OF DEFECTIVE WORK

15.1 Warranty and Guarantee

15.1.1 The **Contractor** warrants and guarantees to the **County** that all material and equipment will be new, unless otherwise specified; and that all work will be of good quality, performed in a workmanlike manner, free from faults or defects, and in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents and any inspections, tests or approvals referred to in this Article. All unsatisfactory Work, all faulty Work and all Work not conforming to the requirements of the Contract Documents or such inspections, tests, approvals or all applicable building, construction and safety requirements, shall be considered defective. Notice of all defects shall be given to the **Contractor** by the **Project Manager**. All defective work, whether or not in place, may be rejected, corrected or accepted as provided in this Article.

15.1.2 If, after approval of final payment and prior to the expiration of one year after the date of final completion or such longer period of time as may be prescribed by law or by the terms of any applicable special guarantee required by the Contract Documents, any Work or material are found to be defective, incomplete or otherwise not in accordance with the Contract Documents, the **Contractor** shall promptly, without cost to the **County** and in accordance with the **County's** written instructions, either correct such defective Work or, if it has been rejected by the **County**, remove it from the site and replace it

with non-defective work. If the **Contractor** does not promptly comply with the terms of such instructions, the **County** may have the defective Work corrected, removed or replaced. All direct and indirect costs of such action will be paid by the **Contractor**.

15.2 Tests and Inspections

15.2.1 If the Contract Documents, laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction require any Work to specifically be inspected, tested or approved by someone other than the **Contractor**, the **Contractor** shall give the Professional timely notice. The testing firm(s) (if assigned by the **Contractor** to this Work) and all such inspections, tests or approvals provided for by the **County** shall be identified in writing by the **Professional** to the **Contractor**. All other inspections, tests or approvals shall be at the **Contractor's** expense, including additional expenses for inspection and tests required as a result of delays by the **Contractor** or hours worked in excess of 40 hours per week. For all required inspections, tests and approvals on any Work prepared, performed or assembled away from the site, the **Contractor** will furnish the **Professional** with the required Certificates of Inspection, testing or approval. All such tests will be in accordance with the methods prescribed by the American Society for Testing and Material or such other applicable organizations as may be required by law or the Contract Documents. Material or Work in place that fail to pass acceptability tests shall be retested at the direction of the Professional and at the **Contractor's** expense.

15.2.2 Neither observations by the **Professional** or the **Project Manager** nor inspections, tests or approvals by persons other than the **Contractor** shall relieve the **Contractor** of its obligations to perform the Work in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

15.3 Access to the Work

15.3.1 For the duration of the Work, the **Professional** and their representatives, other designated representatives of the **County** and authorized representatives of any regulatory agency shall at all times be given access to the Work.

The **Contractor** shall provide proper facilities for such access and observation of the Work and also for any inspection or testing by others.

15.4 Uncovering the Work

15.4.1 If any work required to be inspected, tested or approved is covered prior thereto without the prior written approval of the **Professional**, or if any work is covered contrary to the request of the **Project Manager**, the work shall, if requested by the **Professional** or the **Project Manager**, be uncovered for observation, inspection, testing or approval and replaced at the **Contractor's** expense.

15.4.2 If any work has been covered which either the **Professional** or the **Project Manager** has not specifically requested to observe, or if the **Professional** or the **Project Manager** considers it necessary or advisable that covered work be inspected or tested by others, the **Contractor**, upon written request of the **Professional** or the **Project Manager**, shall uncover, expose or otherwise make available for observation, inspection or testing that portion of the work in question, furnishing all necessary labor, material and equipment. If it is found that such work is defective, the **Contractor** shall bear the expense of such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing and satisfactory reconstruction. If, however, such work is not found to be defective, the **Contractor** shall be allowed an increase in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Time, or both, directly attributable to such uncovering, exposure, observation, inspection, testing and reconstruction, if it makes a claim as provided in Articles 11, 12 and 13.

15.5 Stop Work

15.5.1 When work is defective or when the **Contractor** fails to supply sufficient skilled workmen, suitable material, suitable equipment, make prompt payments to Subcontractors for labor, material or equipment, or if the **Contractor** violates any provisions of these Contract Documents, the **County** may order the **Contractor** to stop the work until the cause for such order has been eliminated. However, this right of the **County** to stop the work shall not give rise to any duty on the part of the **County** to exercise this right for the benefit of the **Contractor** or any other party. The **Contractor** shall have no right to claim an increase in the Contract Price or Contract Time or other damages for a stop work order under this paragraph.

15.6 Correction or Removal of Defective Work

15.6.1 When directed by the **Professional**, the **Contractor** shall promptly, without cost to the **County** and as specified by the **Professional** either correct the defective work whether fabricated, installed or completed, or remove it from the site and replace it with non-defective work or remove and replace such defective work within a reasonable time, all as specified in a written notice from the **Professional**, the **County** may have the deficiency corrected. All direct and indirect costs of such correction shall be paid by the **Contractor** or deducted from payment to the **Contractor**. The **Contractor** will also bear the expense of correcting or removing and replacing all work of others destroyed or damaged by the correction, removal or replacement of the defective work.

15.7 Acceptance of Defective Work

15.7.1 If, instead of requiring correction or removal and replacement of defective work, the **County** prefers to accept it, the **County** may do so. In such case, if acceptance occurs prior to approval of final payment, a Change Order incorporating the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents, including an appropriate reduction in the Contract Price, shall be issued. If the acceptance occurs after approval of final payment, the

Contractor shall pay to the **County** an appropriate sum to compensate for the defect in the work.

15.8 Neglected Work by Contractor

15.8.1 If the **Contractor** neglects to execute the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, including any requirements of the progress schedule, the **Professional** may direct the **Contractor** to submit a recovery plan and take specific corrective actions including, but not limited to, employing additional workmen and/or equipment working extended hours and additional days, all at no cost to the **County**, in order to put the Work back on schedule. If the **Contractor** fails to correct the deficiency or take appropriate corrective action, the **County** may terminate the contract or **Contractor's** right to proceed with that portion of work and have the work done by others. The cost of completion under such procedure shall be charged against the **Contractor**. A Change Order shall be issued incorporating the necessary revisions in the Contract Documents, including an appropriate reduction in the Contract Price. If the payments due the **Contractor** are not sufficient to cover such amount, the **Contractor** shall pay the difference to the **County**.

15.8.2 Should the **Contractor** work overtime, weekends or holidays to regain the schedule, all costs to the **County** of associated inspection, construction management and resident engineering shall be identified to the **Contractor** and the Contract Price reduced by a like amount via Change Order.

ARTICLE 16 – PAYMENT AND COMPLETION

16.1 Schedule of Values

16.1.1 The Schedule of Values established as provided in General Conditions 3.5.2.2 will serve as the basis for progress payments and will be incorporated into a form of Application for Payment acceptable to the **Professional** and the **Project Manager**. Progress payments using unit prices bid will be based on the number of units completed. Lump sum bids do not have a provision for a unit price adjustment.

16.1.2 The Schedule of Values will include a breakdown of divisions of the work in a manner that will identify Subcontractors by the classification of their work according to any accepted numerical sequence, such as AIA numerical classification. Any Subcontractor identified by the **Contractor**, as a Woman/Minority Business Entity shall be noted in the schedule of values on a separate line of the schedule of values with an extension to the numerical classification used to identify the particular division of work. The extension will be according to the following: 002- Woman Business Enterprise; 003 – African American Enterprise; 004 – Hispanic American; 005 – Asian Pacific American Business; 006 – Native American Business; and 007 – Asian-Indian American Business.

16.2 Application for Progress Payment: Contractor Certification of Disbursement of Previous Progress Payments to Subcontractors and Suppliers

16.2.1 At least seven (7) calendar days before the date established for each progress payment (but not more often than once a month), **Contractor** shall submit the following to the **Professional** for review: (i) an Application for Payment filled out and signed by the **Contractor** covering the work completed as of the date of the Application; (ii) a Contractor Certification of Disbursement of Previous Progress Payments to Subcontractors and Suppliers (as further described in Subsection 16.2.2 below) in a form the County will designate and provide to the **Contractor**, and (iii) all other supporting documentation as is required by the Contract Documents. If payment is requested on the basis of material and equipment not incorporated in the Work but delivered and suitably stored at the site or at another location agreed to in writing, the Application for Payment shall also be accompanied by a bill of sale, invoice or other documentation warranting that the **County** has received the material and equipment free and clear of all liens and evidence that the material and equipment are covered by appropriate property insurance and other arrangements to protect the **County's** interest therein, all of which will be satisfactory to the **County**. Payment is subject to retainage in accordance with F.S. 218.735. The amount of retainage is 5% in accordance with the contract document or as provided in F.S. 218.735.

16.2.2 As additional conditions precedent to the County's obligation to pay the Contractor each progress payment, to include the final payment due under the Contract, the Contractor must (i) pay all Subcontractors and Suppliers their respective pro rata share of all previous payments (to include any payments of retainage) that the County has made to Contractor for Work that has been satisfactorily completed; and (ii) execute and deliver to the Professional a Contractor Certification of Disbursement of Previous Progress Payments to Subcontractors and Suppliers with its Application for Payment submitted in accordance with Subsection 16.2.1 above. If the Contractor has not made the required payments to all Subcontractors and Suppliers, but the Contractor has (a) demonstrated good cause (as reasonably determined by the County) for not making any required payment; (b) delivered written notice to the County and to the applicable Subcontractor or Supplier specifically stating why the Contractor has not paid the Subcontractor or Supplier its proportionate share of the progress payments that the County has made to the Contractor pursuant to the Contract, and (c) completed all other requirements and conditions precedent to the receipt of the requested progress payment, then the County will pay Contractor the progress payment in accordance with the Contract requirements.

16.3 Contractor's Warranty of Title

16.3.1 **Contractor** warrants and guarantees that title to the work, material and equipment covered by any Application for Payment, whether incorporated in the Work

or not, will pass to the **County** no later than the time of payment, free and clear of all liens.

16.4 Approval of Payments

16.4.1 The **Professional**, after receipt of each Application for Payment, will either indicate in writing a recommendation of payment and present the application to the **County**, or return the application to the **Contractor** indicating in writing the **Professional's** reasons for refusing to recommend payment. In the latter case, the **Contractor** may make the necessary corrections and resubmit the application. The **County** shall make payment in accordance with F.S. 218.735.

16.4.2 The **Professional's** recommendation of any payment requested in an Application for Payment will constitute a representation by the **Professional** to the **County** based on the **Professional's** review of the Application for Payment and the accompanying data and schedules, that to the best of the **Professional's** knowledge, information and belief:

- a) The Work has progressed to the point indicated;
- b) The quality of the Work is generally in accordance with the Contract Documents (subject to an evaluation of the Work as a functioning whole prior to or upon substantial completion, to the results of any subsequent tests called for in the Contract Documents, to a final determination of quantities and classifications for Unit Price Work and to any other qualifications stated in the recommendation); and
- c) The conditions precedent to the **Contractor's** being entitled to such payment appear to have been fulfilled in so far as it is the **Professional's** responsibility to observe the Work.

16.4.3 By recommending any such payment, the **Professional** will not be deemed to have represented that: (i) exhaustive or continuous on-site inspections have been made to check the quality or the quantity of the Work beyond the responsibilities specifically assigned to the **Professional** in the Contract Documents; or (ii) that there may not be other matters or issues between the parties that might entitle the **Contractor** to be paid additionally by the **County** or entitle the **County** to withhold payment to the **Contractor**.

16.4.4 The **Professional's** recommendation of any payment, including final payment, shall not mean that the **Professional** is responsible for the **Contractor's** means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures of construction; or the safety precautions and programs incident thereto; or for any failure of the **Contractor** to comply with Laws and Regulations applicable to the furnishing or performance of Work; or for any failure of the **Contractor** to perform or furnish Work in accordance with the Contract Documents.

16.4.5 The **Professional** may refuse to recommend the whole or any part of any payment if, in the **Professional's** opinion, they are unable to make the representation that the Application is acceptable to the **County**. The **Professional** may also refuse to recommend any such payment or, because of subsequently discovered evidence or the results of subsequent inspections or tests, nullify any such payment or, because of subsequently discovered evidence or the results of subsequent inspections or tests, nullify any such payment previously recommended, to such extent as may be necessary in the **Professional's** opinion to protect the **County** from loss because:

- a) The Work is defective;
- b) The Contract Price has been reduced by Change Order;
- c) The **County** has been required to correct defective work or complete work in accordance with Article 15;
- d) Claims have been filed against the **County** for which the **Contractor** may be liable; and/or
- e) The work was executed unsatisfactorily; the **Contractor** failed to clean up as required in Article 7 or the work is otherwise not in compliance with these Contract Documents.

16.4.6 The **County** will give the **Contractor** immediate notice stating the reasons for such action and promptly pay the **Contractor** the amount so withheld, or any adjustment thereto agreed to by the **County** and the **Contractor**, when the **Contractor** corrects, to the **County's** satisfaction, the reasons for such action.

16.5 Substantial Completion

16.5.1 Definition. Substantial Completion is the stage in the progress of the Work when the Work or specified portion thereof is sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so the **County** can occupy or utilize the Work for its intended purpose.

16.5.2 Certificate of Substantial Completion. When the **Contractor** considers that the Work, or a specified portion thereof, which the **County** agrees to accept separately, is substantially complete, the **Contractor** shall notify the **Professional** and the **Project Manager**. Along with such notification, the **Contractor** shall submit to the **Professional** a thorough and inclusive list of all remaining Work items to be completed or corrected. Upon receipt of the **Contractor's** notification and list, the **Professional** and the **Project Manager** will visit the site to determine whether the Work or designated portion thereof is substantially complete. Once the **Professional**, in consultation with the **County**, determines that the Work or specified portion thereof is substantially complete, the **Professional** will prepare a Certificate of Substantial Completion that shall establish the

date of Substantial Completion. The Certificate of Substantial Completion shall be submitted to the **Contractor** for its written acceptance and then to the **County** for acceptance and issuance.

16.5.3 Deficiency List. The Certificate of Substantial Completion shall include a list prepared by the **Professional** (the "Deficiency List") of final work items remaining, which must be completed to render the Work, or specified portion thereof, complete, satisfactory, and acceptable in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Deficiency List shall include those items from the **Contractor's** list described in Section 16.5.2 above which remain incomplete or uncorrected as of the date of Substantial Completion, along with any other incomplete or unsatisfactory items as determined by the **Professional** or the **Project Manager**. Failure to include on the Deficiency List any corrective work or pending items not yet completed shall not alter the responsibility of the **Contractor** to complete all the construction services purchased pursuant to the Contract Documents. The **Professional**, in consultation with the **County**, shall establish a date for completion of the items identified in the Deficiency List, and this date for completion shall be noted on the Certificate of Substantial Completion. The **Professional** shall also include an estimated cost to complete each item on the Deficiency List. Should the **Contractor** fail to complete the items by the date noted on the Certificate of Substantial Completion, the **County** may complete the item and deduct the costs from the final Application for Payment.

16.5.4 Project Closeout and Payment of Retainage. In accordance with Section 255.077(4), Fla. Stat., within 20 business days after developing the Deficiency List, and after receipt of a proper invoice or payment request, the **County** shall pay the **Contractor** the remaining balance of the contract, including any remaining retainage withheld by the **County** pursuant to Section 255.078, Florida Statutes, less an amount equal to 150 percent of the estimated cost to complete the items on the Deficiency List.

16.5.5 Warranties. Warranties required by the Contract Document shall commence on the date of Substantial Completion of the Work or designated portion thereof unless otherwise provided in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

16.6 Beneficial Occupancy

16.6.1 Use by the **County** at the **County's** option of any substantially completed part of the Work which (i) has specifically been identified in the Contract Documents, or (ii) the **County, Professional and Contractor** agree constitutes a separately functioning and usable part of the Work that can be used by the **County** for its intended purpose without significant interference with the **Contractor's** performance of the remainder of the Work, may be accomplished prior to Substantial Completion of all the Work subject to 16.6.2.

16.6.2 The **County** at any time may request the **Contractor** in writing to permit the **County** to use any such part of the Work which the **County** believes to be ready for its

intended use and substantially complete. If the **Contractor** agrees that such part of the Work is substantially complete, the **Contractor** will certify to the **County** and the **Professional** in writing that the **Contractor** considers any such part of the Work ready for its intended use and substantially complete and request the **Professional** to issue a certificate of Substantial Completion for that part of the Work. Within a reasonable time after either such request, the **County**, **Contractor** and **Professional** shall make an inspection of that part of the Work to determine its status of completion. If the **Professional** does not consider that part of the Work to be substantially complete, the **Professional** will notify the **County** and the **Contractor** in writing giving the reasons therefore. If the **Professional** considers that part of the Work to be substantially complete, the provisions of 16.5 will apply with respect to certification of Substantial Completion of that part of the Work and the division of responsibility in respect thereof and access thereto.

16.6.3 The **County**, may at its discretion, reduce the amount of retainage beyond the amount prescribed in F.S. 218.735 subject to Beneficial Occupancy.

16.6.4 Retainage will not be released in the face of a claim by the **County** for liquidated damages or a dispute claim by the **Contractor** for additional compensation.

16.7 Final Inspection

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

16.8 Final Application for Payment

16.8.1 After the **Contractor** has completed all such corrections to the satisfaction of the **Professional** and the **County** and delivered in accordance with the Contract Documents all maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds, certificates or other evidence of insurance required by 6.2, certificates of inspection, marked-up record documents and other documents, the **Contractor** may make application for final payment following the procedure for progress payments. The final Application for Payment shall be accompanied (except as previously delivered) by: (i) all documentation called for in the Contract Documents, including but not limited to the evidence of insurance required; (ii) consent of the surety to final payment; and (iii) a final Contractor Certification of Disbursement of Previous Progress Payments to Subcontractors and Suppliers.

16.8.2 No application for final payment will be accepted by the **County** until all required documentation by the **Contractor** has been accepted and approved by the **Professional** and the **County**.

16.8.3 Notwithstanding any other provision of these contract documents to the contrary, the **County** and the **Professional** are under no duty or obligation whatsoever to any vendor, material provider, Subcontractor, laborer or other party to ensure that payments due and owing by the **Contractor** to any of them are or will be made. Such parties shall rely only on the **Contractor's** surety bonds for remedy of nonpayment by the **Contractor**. The **Contractor** agrees to defend and resolve all claims made by Subcontractors, indemnifying the **County** and the **Professional** for all claims arising from or resulting from Subcontractor, Supplier, material men or laborer services in connection with this project.

16.8.4 The **Contractor** will indemnify the **County** and **Professional** for any damages sustained including lost revenues resulting from the **Contractor's** failure or refusal to perform the work required by these contract documents.

16.9 Final Payment and Acceptance

16.9.1 If, on the basis of the **Professional's** observation of the Work during construction and final inspection, and the **Professional's** review of the final Application for Payment and accompanying documentation as required by the Contract Documents, the **Professional** is satisfied that the Work has been completed and the **Contractor's** other obligations under the Contract Documents have been fulfilled, the **Professional** will, after receipt of the final Application for Payment, indicate in writing the **Professional's** recommendation of payment and present the Application to the **County** for payment. At the same time, the Professional will also give written notice to the County and the **Contractor** that the Work is acceptable subject to the provision of 16.10. Otherwise, the **Professional** will return the application to the **Contractor**, indicating in writing the reasons for refusing to recommend final payment, in which case the **Contractor** shall make the necessary corrections and resubmit the Application. After the presentation to the **County** of the application and accompanying documentation, in appropriate form and substance and with the **Professional's** recommendation and notice of acceptability, the amount recommended by the **Professional** will become due and will be paid by the **County** to the **Contractor**.

16.9.2 If, through no fault of the **Contractor**, final completion of the Work is significantly delayed and if the **Professional** so confirms, the **County** shall, upon receipt of the **Contractor's** final Application for Payment and recommendation of the **Professional**, and without terminating the Agreement, make payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted. If the remaining balance to be held by the **County** for Work not fully completed or corrected is less than the retainage stipulated in the Contract, and if bonds have been furnished as required in Article 6, the written consent of the surety to the payment of the balance due for that portion of the Work fully completed and accepted shall be submitted by the **Contractor** to the **Professional** with the application for such payment. Such payment shall be made

under the terms and conditions governing final payment, except that it shall not constitute a waiver of claims.

16.9.3 The remainder of the Contract Price will be approved for payment upon final completion of the work, acceptance of the work by the **County** and settlement of all claims.

16.10 Waiver of Claims

16.10.1 The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute a waiver of all claims by the **Contractor** against the **County**, other than those previously made in writing and still unsettled.

16.10.1.1 The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute a waiver of all claims by the **County** against the **Contractor**, except claims arising from unsettled liens from defective Work appearing after final inspection pursuant to 16.7; from failure to comply with the Contract Documents or the terms of any special guarantees specified therein; or from the **Contractor's** continuing obligations under the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 17 – SUSPENSION OF WORK AND TERMINATION

17.1 Suspension of Work

17.1.1 At any time and without cause, the **County** may suspend the Work or any portion thereof for a period of not more than ninety (90) days by notice in writing to the **Contractor** and the **Professional**, which will fix the date on which Work will be resumed. The **Contractor** shall resume the Work on the date so fixed. The **Contractor** shall be allowed an adjustment in the Contract Price or an extension of the Contract Time, or both, directly attributable to any such suspension if the **Contractor** makes any approved claim therefore as provided in Articles 12 and 13.

17.2 Termination For Cause

17.2.1 Upon the occurrence of any one or more of the following events:

- a) If the **Contractor** fails to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents (including, but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable material or equipment; or failure to adhere to the progress schedule established;
- b) If the **Contractor** disregards laws or regulations of any Regulations of any public agency having jurisdiction;
- c) If the **Contractor** disregards the authority of the **Professional** or the **Project Manager**; or

- d) If the **Contractor** otherwise violates in any substantial way any provisions of the Contract Documents.

The **County** may, after giving the **Contractor** and surety seven (7) working days' written notice and to the extent permitted by Laws and Regulations, terminate the services of the **Contractor**; exclude the **Contractor** from the site; take possession of the Work and of all the **Contractor's** tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery at the site; use the same to the full extent they could be used by the **Contractor** (without liability to the **Contractor** for trespass or conversion); incorporate in the Work all material and equipment stored at the site or for which the **County** has paid the **Contractor** but which are stored elsewhere; and finish the Work as the **County** may deem expedient. In such case, the **Contractor** shall not be entitled to receive any further payment beyond an amount equal to the value of the work actually completed and the value of material and equipment not incorporated in the work but delivered and suitably stored, less the aggregate of payments previously made. If the direct and indirect costs of completing the work exceed the unpaid balance of the contract price, the **Contractor** shall pay the difference to the **County**. Such costs incurred by the **County** shall be verified by the **Professional** and incorporated in a Change Order; but in finishing the work the **Contractor** shall not be required to obtain the lowest figure for the work performed. The **Contractor's** obligations to pay the difference between such costs and such unpaid balance shall survive termination of the agreement.

17.2.2 In the event the **County** terminates the contract for cause and it is subsequently judicially determined that there was no cause for termination, the termination for convenience provision will be the means for disposition of the balance of the contract obligations.

17.3 Termination for Convenience

17.3.1 Upon seven (7) working days' written notice to the **Contractor** and the **Professional**, the **County** may, without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of the **County**, elect to terminate the **Contract**. In such case, the **Contractor** shall be paid (without duplication of any items):

- a) For completed and acceptable Work executed in accordance with the Contract Documents prior to the effective date of termination, including fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such Work;
- b) For expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing services and furnishing labor, material or equipment as required by the Contract Documents in connection with uncompleted Work, plus fair and reasonable sums for overhead and profit on such expenses;

- c) For all claims, costs, losses and damages incurred in settlement of terminated contracts with subcontractors, suppliers and others; and
- d) For reasonable expenses directly attributable to termination.

The **Contractor** shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated profits or revenue or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

17.3.2 If through no act or fault of the **Contractor**, the Work is suspended for a period of more than ninety (90) calendar days by the County, or under an order of court or other public authority, or the **Professional** fails to act on any Application for Payment within thirty (30) calendar days after it is submitted, or the **County** fails for thirty-one (31) calendar days to pay the Contractor any sum finally determined to be due, then the **Contractor** may, upon seven (7) working days' written notice to the **County** and the **Professional**, terminate the Agreement and recover from the **County** payment on the same terms as provided in 17.2.2, provided the **County** or the **Professional** did not remedy such suspension or failure within that time. In lieu of terminating the Agreement and without prejudice to any other right or remedy, if the **Professional** has failed for thirty-one (31) calendar days to pay the **Contractor** any sum finally determined to be due, the **Contractor** may upon seven (7) days' written notice to the **County** and the **Professional** stop the Work until payment is made of all such amounts due the **Contractor**, including interest thereon. The provisions of this paragraph are not intended to preclude the **Contractor** from making claim under Articles 12 and 13 for an increase in Contract Price or Contract Time or otherwise for expenses or damage directly attributable to the **Contractor's** stopping Work as permitted by this paragraph.

ARTICLE 18 – DISPUTES

18.1 All disputes arising under this Contract or its interpretation whether involving law, fact or both, or extra work, and all claims for alleged breach of contract, shall within ten (10) working days of the commencement of the dispute be presented by the **Contractor** to the **County** for decision. All papers pertaining to claims shall be filed in quadruplicate. Such notice need not detail the amount of the claim but shall state the facts surrounding the claim in sufficient detail to identify the claim, together with its character and scope. In the meantime, the **Contractor** shall proceed with the Work as directed. Any claim not presented within the time limit specified in this paragraph shall be deemed to have been waived, except that if the claim is of a continuing character and notice of the claim is not given within ten (10) working days of its commencement, the claim will be considered only for a period commencing ten (10) working days prior to the receipt by the **County** of notice thereof. Each decision by the **County** will be in writing and will be mailed to the **Contractor** by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, directed to the **Contractor's** last known address.

18.1.1 If the **Contractor** does not agree with any decision of the **County**, the **Contractor** shall seek mediation by a certified circuit court civil mediator who will be

agreed to by the parties or, if the parties cannot agree to a mediator within thirty (30) calendar days of the request for mediation, said mediator will be chosen by the **Contractor**. Any mediation will be held in Polk County, unless otherwise agreed to by the **County**. The parties will cooperate in good faith with the mediator with the cost of the mediator split equally between the parties, if the mediator is agreed upon, and by the **Contractor** if agreement on the mediator cannot be reached.

18.1.2 If the **Contractor** does not agree with any decision of the **County**, or the mediation is unsuccessful, the **Contractor** shall in no case allow the dispute to delay the Work but shall notify the **County** promptly that the work proceeding under protest and that the matter in question may be accepted from the final release.

ARTICLE 19 – MISCELLANEOUS

19.1 Whenever any provision of the Contract Documents requires the giving of written notice, it will be deemed to have been validly given if delivered in person to the individual or to a member of the firm or to an officer of the corporation for whom it is intended, or if delivered at or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, to the last business address known to the giver of the notice.

19.2 When any period of time is referred to in the Contract Documents by days, it will be computed to exclude the first and include the last day of such period. If the last day of any such period falls on a Saturday or Sunday or on a day made a legal holiday by the law of the applicable jurisdiction, such day will be omitted from the computation. A calendar day of twenty-four (24) hours measured from midnight to the next midnight will constitute a day.

19.3 Should the **County** or the **Contractor** suffer injury or damage to its person or property because of any error, omission or act of the other or of any of their employees, agents or others for whose acts they may be legally liable, claim should be made in writing to the other party within a reasonable time of the first observance of such injury or damage.

19.4 All representations, warranties and guarantees made in the contract documents will survive final payment and termination or completion of the agreement. Also, the obligation of the **Contractor** to maintain the work until initiation of operation shall survive final payment, termination or completion of the Contract.

19.5 The **Contractor** shall keep adequate records and supporting documentation applicable to the Work and Contract. Said records and documentation shall be retained by the **Contractor** for a minimum of five (5) years from the date of final completion or termination of this Contract. The **County** shall have the right to audit, inspect and copy all such records and documentation as often as the **County** deems necessary during the period of the Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter provided, however, such activity shall be conducted only during normal business hours. The **County**, during this period of time, shall also have the right to obtain a copy of and

otherwise inspect any audit made at the direction of the **Contractor** as concerns the aforesaid records and supporting documentation.

ARTICLE 20 - Unauthorized Alien(s):

20.1.1 The vendor agrees that unauthorized aliens shall not be employed nor utilized in the performance of the requirements of this solicitation. The County shall consider the employment or utilization of unauthorized aliens a violation of Section 274A(e) of the Immigration and Naturalization Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a). Such violation shall be cause for unilateral termination of this Agreement by the County. As part of the response to this solicitation, the successful vendor will complete and submit the attached form "Affidavit Certification Immigration Laws."

ARTICLE 21 - EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION (E-VERIFY)

A. Unless otherwise defined herein, terms used in this Section which are defined in Section 448.095, Florida Statutes, as may be amended from time to time, shall have the meaning ascribed in said statute.

B. Pursuant to Section 448.095(2)(a), Florida Statutes, effective January 1, 2021, public employers, contractors and subcontractors shall register with and use the E-verify system in order to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System and compliance with all other terms of this Certification and Section 448.095, Fla. Stat., is an express condition of this Agreement, and the County may treat a failure to comply as a material breach of this Agreement.

C. By entering into this Agreement, the Contractor becomes obligated to comply with the provisions of Section 448.095, Fla. Stat., "Employment Eligibility," as amended from time to time. This includes but is not limited to utilization of the E-Verify System to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees, and requiring all subcontractors to provide an affidavit attesting that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with, or subcontract with, an unauthorized alien. The Contractor shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of the contract. Failure to comply will lead to termination of this Agreement, or if a subcontractor knowingly violates the statute or Section 448.09(1), Fla. Stat., the subcontract must be terminated immediately. Any challenge to termination under this provision must be filed in the Tenth Judicial Circuit Court of Florida no later than 20 calendar days after the date of termination. If this Agreement is terminated for a violation of the statute by the Contractor, the Contractor may not be awarded a public contract for a period of 1 year after the date of termination. The Contractor shall be liable for any additional costs incurred by the County as a result of the termination of this Agreement. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to allow intentional discrimination of any class protected by law.

ARTICLE 22 – PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

22.1 Contractor Evaluation

22.1.1 The **Contractor's** performance should be evaluated during and after completion of the project.

ARTICLE 23 – ALLOWANCES

23.1 Allowance Work

23.1.1 When the **County** determines, at its sole discretion, that it wishes to include an Allowance in the Contract, said amount shall be included in the Contract Price, Article 2 of the Contract (Part E).

23.1.2 Allowance Work, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the awarded contractors bid or \$250,000, whichever is less, may be included in the Contract Price. No individual allowance request shall be greater than \$50,000 without approval of the Board of County Commissioners. The Contract Work and all Allowance Work shall be performed in full compliance with all requirements of the Contract Documents. The sum of all approved Allowance Work performed pursuant hereto shall not exceed the amount of the Allowance. When all Work has been completed under this contract any balance of the original Allowance remaining at the completion of all Work shall be deducted from the Contract Price.

23.1.3 The number of calendar days specified in the Contract for performance of the Work shall include a total time allowance of no more than 60 days or fifteen percent (15%) of the time specified at the time contract award for final completion of the project, whichever is less, for performance of Allowance Work. When all Work has been completed under this contract any time set aside for Allowance Work remaining at the completion of all Work shall be deducted from the Contract Time.

23.1.4 Upon a determination by the County Manager or his designee that certain construction work for which detailed specifications were not prepared or the scope of such work was not fully established at the time the **County** entered into a contract and upon determining that, for the purposes of expediency and efficiency, it would be in the **County's** best interest to have said work completed by the Project's **Contractor**, the County Manager or his designee will take appropriate action pursuant to the "Allowance" provision established under the Contract for the Project.

23.1.5 All charges and time for Allowance Work must be pre-approved in writing by the County Manager or his designee. Said written pre-approval shall be in the form of an Allowance Authorization Release (AAR), which shall describe in detail the Allowance Work to be performed, the price for the Allowance Work and the time, if any, allocated for performance of the Allowance Work, as well as containing the authorizing signature of the County Manager or his designee. The **Contractor** shall not be authorized to perform any Allowance Work without the required AAR.

ARTICLE 24 – ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS

24.1 Appropriations

24.1.1 Contractor acknowledges that the County, during any fiscal year, shall not expend money, incur any liability, or enter into any agreement which, by its terms, involves the expenditure of money in excess of the amounts budgeted or the reduction of revenues for those budgeted agreements that may be available for expenditure during such fiscal year. Any agreement, verbal or written, made in violation of this subsection is null and void, and no money may be paid on such agreement. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the making of agreements for a period exceeding one year, but any agreement so made shall be executory only for the value of the services to be rendered or agreed to be paid for in succeeding fiscal years. Accordingly, the County's performance and obligation to pay under this agreement is contingent upon annual appropriation.

ARTICLE 25 – PUBLIC RECORDS LAW

- a) The Contractor acknowledges the County's obligations under Article I, Section 24, of the Florida Constitution and under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, to release public records to members of the public upon request and comply in the handling of the materials created under this Agreement. The Contractor further acknowledges that the constitutional and statutory provisions control over the terms of this Agreement. In association with its performance pursuant to this Agreement, the Contractor shall not release or otherwise disclose the content of any documents or information that is specifically exempt from disclosure pursuant to all applicable laws.
- b) Without in any manner limiting the generality of the foregoing, to the extent applicable, the Contractor acknowledges its obligations to comply with Section 119.0701, Florida Statutes, with regard to public records, and shall:
 - (1) keep and maintain public records required by the County to perform the services required under this Agreement;
 - (2) upon request from the County's Custodian of Public Records or his/her designee, provide the County with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law;
 - (3) ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the term of this Agreement and following completion of this Agreement if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the County; and
 - (4) upon completion of this Agreement, transfer, at no cost, to the County all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public

records required by the County to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the County upon completion of this Agreement, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of this Agreement, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the County, upon request from the County's Custodian of Public Records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the County.

c) IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, CONTACT THE COUNTY'S CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT:

**RECORDS MANAGEMENT LIAISON OFFICER POLK COUNTY
330 WEST CHURCH ST.
BARTOW, FL 33830
TELEPHONE: (863) 534-7527
EMAIL: RMLO@POLK-COUNTY.NET**

ARTICLE 26 – NO CONSTRUCTION AGAINST DRAFTER

The Parties acknowledge that this Agreement and all the terms and conditions contained herein have been fully reviewed and negotiated by the Parties. Accordingly, any rule of construction to the effect that ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not apply in interpreting this Agreement.

SUPPLEMENTARY CONDITIONS

These services are funded by U.S. Department of Treasury (USDT) through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP), State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLRF). All requirements of the federal award are applicable to the Successful Contractor(s), subcontractor, and any material suppliers. All services must be performed in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and Local regulations.

NOTE: Any information provided in the Technical Specifications or Drawings that relates to the Procurement process of this solicitation is superseded by the County's Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual, the General Conditions, and the Supplementary Conditions contained herein.

1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION, PROJECT LOCATION & SCOPE OF WORK

- 1.1. Description: Construct drainage improvements within the Gardenia subdivision, which is generally bounded by SR 60, Old Bartow/Lake Wales Rd, and Palmer Rd.
- 1.2. Location: From the intersection of SR 60 @ US 27, go west on SR 60 for approximately 8.5 miles. Turn north on Old Bartow/Lake Wales Rd and the Gardenia subdivision is located along the east side of the road. This project is located in unincorporated Polk County. All distances are approximate.
- 1.3. Scope of Work: Work primarily consists of construction retrofitting an older subdivision with road drainage features to ease existing flooding conditions. The new drainage system will drain to a new retention pond which eventually outfalls to the Peace Creek Drainage Canal. A detailed description of the drainage improvements is included within the construction plans provided by Kisinger Kampo and Associates (KCA) titled "Palmer Rd Drainage Improvements".

There are no restrictions on lane closure times. The lane closure request form shall be filed at least 7 workdays prior to the lane closure.
- 1.4. The estimated cost of construction is \$3,522,658.01.
- 1.5. The number of days to final completion is 270 calendar days.

2. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1. The prime contractor shall be an experienced contractor that possess a certified **general contractor license in the State of Florida**; copy of license shall be submitted with the bid proposal and a copy posted on the job site.
- 2.2. The prime contractor should submit with their bid a minimum of four (4) references of comparable work within public right-of-way and were completed within the last five (5) years. References will be checked during bid analysis phase. The references must show work performed by the prime contractor submitting the bid. References should include the following minimum information:
 - a) Project Name
 - b) Owner's name, contact person, phone number, and email address

- c) Description of work
- d) Project contract value and year completed

Failure to provide the above minimum information may be cause to deem the contractor as non-responsive.

- 2.3. Percentage of Work: The prime contractor shall perform a minimum of 50% of all work contained within the scope of work as outlined in the bid documents and special conditions.

3. GENERAL

- 3.1. The Contractor is solely responsible for all work called for in the Contract Documents according to the terms of the Contract Documents and this responsibility cannot be transferred to subcontractors.
- 3.2. The hierarchy of authority for this contract shall be:
 - First (Highest): Polk County Roads & Drainage Director
 - Second: Polk County Roads & Drainage Engineering Manager
 - Third: Construction Project Manager
- 3.3. No work shall be performed under the provisions of this contract on any properties outside the limits of the project area without prior written permission of the lawful affected landowner. Any such permission shall be obtained by the Contractor and shall identify the provisions under which such work is to be performed and written permission obtained shall be provided to the Construction Project Manager prior to the associated work being performed. The Contractor shall not be compensated for any work outside the project area and shall hold the County harmless for all liabilities associated with said work outside the project area.
- 3.4. Upon execution of the Contract, the County reserves the right to conduct an audit of the Contractor's records pertaining to the project. The County or its representatives may conduct an audit, or audits, at any time prior to final payment, or thereafter.
- 3.5. All dewatering shall be in accordance with the Southwest Florida Water Management District regulations; and FDOT Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, latest edition, Section No. 104 and shall be in accordance with FDOT Roadway and Traffic Design Standards, latest edition, Index No. 102. County is not responsible and cannot be held liable for the control of water levels.

4. PERMITS

- 4.1. The Following permits have been or will be acquired by the County for the project:
 - Southwest Florida Water Management District ERP Application No. 47047654.000

5. CERTIFIED AS-BUILT DRAWINGS

- 5.1. The required number of sets of hard copy Certified As-Built Survey Drawings is one (1).
- 5.2. The Contractor shall prepare and provide the As-Built Survey Drawings to the County in .pdf format and AutoCAD format.

6. FDOT STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

- 6.1. When the Standard Specifications, Special Provisions, Supplemental Specifications or Technical Special Provisions refer to:
 - 6.1.1. "The Engineer" in the role of construction inspection and construction management, this term is the same as "Construction Project Manager" as defined in the Contract Documents.
 - 6.1.2. "The Department" or "FDOT" in the role of owner of the project, the interpretation of the document shall be that the reference is to the County as the owner of the project.
 - 6.1.3. "State Road," it shall mean any public roadway.
 - 6.1.4. "The Department's acceptance tests," it shall mean the tests adopted by the County.
 - 6.1.5. "The District and/or Central Labs," it shall mean the Contractor's testing subcontractor authorized by the County.
- 6.2. If any conflicts exist between the specifications prescribed in the Contract Documents, the more stringent requirement shall apply. In case of discrepancy, the governing order of the contract documents is as follows:
 1. Special Conditions
 2. Technical Special Provisions
 3. Plans
 4. Road Design, Structures and Traffic Operations Standards
 5. General Conditions
 6. FDOT Supplemental Specifications
 7. Standard Specifications
 8. Supplementary Conditions (JPA / Utility)Computed dimensions govern over scaled dimensions.
- 6.3. Before starting construction, provide a Quality Control Program for County approval according to FDOT Standard Specification Section 105 Quality Control Program and Laboratory Qualification Program.
- 6.4. FDOT Standard Specification Section 9-2.1.2 Bituminous Material shall apply to this contract.

- 6.5. FDOT Standard Specification Section 5-1.4 Shop Drawings shall apply to this contract.
- 6.6. FDOT Standard Specification Section 5-7 Engineering and Layout shall apply to this contract.

7. CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS SCHEDULE

- 7.1. N/A

8. WORKDAYS/WORK TIMES

- 8.1. Workdays shall be defined as Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., except for County holidays and unless otherwise agreed upon by the Roads & Drainage Project Manager.

9. TESTING AND INSPECTIONS

- 9.1. The Contractor is responsible for all required testing on the project except when the Contract Documents, laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, or orders of any public authority having jurisdiction specifically require any Work to be inspected or tested by someone other than the Contractor. For these inspections and testing, the Contractor shall give the County 48-hours notice to prepare for the required inspections or testing. All such inspections, tests or approvals performed by the County shall be identified in writing by the Construction Project Manager to the Contractor as well as the name of the testing facility that will be performing the inspections and testing.
- 9.2. Except as described above, all inspections, tests or approvals shall be at the Contractor's expense and shall be included in the unit cost for the appropriate pay item. For all required inspections, tests and approvals on any Work prepared, performed, or assembled away from the site, the Contractor will furnish the Construction Project Manager with the required Certificates of Inspection, testing or approval. All such tests will be in accordance with the methods prescribed by the American Society for Testing and Material (ASTM), or such other applicable organizations as may be required by law or the Contract Documents. Material or Work in place that fail to pass acceptability tests shall be retested at the direction of the Construction Project Manager and at the Contractor's expense.
- 9.3. No work shall be performed, nor materials used, without supervision and/or inspections by a representative of the County. With the exception of Asphalt Plant, The Construction Project Manager's staff is responsible for required verification testing on the project and will coordinate this work with the Contractor's Quality Control Manager. If there is a discrepancy between the contractor's quality control test and the Construction Project Manager's verification test, and if either one of the tests fail to meet minimum Specification requirements, both parties will jointly take a split resolution sample and deliver the sample to a pre-determined, independent testing lab contracted by the County. The independent testing lab will not be the same lab providing verification testing services for the County. The results from the independent resolution lab shall be used and accepted by both parties as the final testing results representing the portion of material in question.

10. MATERIALS

- 10.1. The Contractor shall provide copies of all delivery tickets, or invoices, for all materials and equipment to be used for the project to the County immediately upon delivery or as soon thereafter as is practical.
- 10.2. Arrangements for storage areas for materials and equipment shall be the responsibility of the Contractor. Before mobilizing or storing any materials or equipment, the Contractor shall identify the areas to be used for storage in writing to the County. If property other than County right-of-way is proposed for storage, the Contractor shall provide the County a copy of the written approval or agreement from the property owner before mobilizing or storing any materials or equipment on said property.

11. WORKSITE VISIBILITY

- 11.1. No work shall be performed when the visibility is less than two (2) times the Stopping Sight Distance for the highest regulatory posted speed through the project area as defined in the FDOT Manual of Uniform Standards for Design, Construction and Maintenance for Streets and Highways. Visibility distance shall be measured in all directions of travel and at locations and directed by the County. Contract time extensions for substandard visibility shall be assessed according to FDOT Standard Specification Section 8-7.3.2.

12. FIELD OFFICE

N/A

13. EROSION CONTROL

- 13.1. Refer to Plan Sheets of the approved Construction Plans for this Project.

14. GRASSING

- 14.1. N/A

15. UNDERGROUND FACILITIES

- 15.1. This utility relocation schedules and permits are included with the bid package.

The location(s) of the utilities shown in the plans (including those designated Vv, Vh and Vvh) are based on limited investigation techniques and should be considered approximate only. The verified locations/elevations apply only at the points shown. Interpolations between these points have not been verified.

16. HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL

- 16.1. If historical or archaeological artifacts are discovered at any time on the project site, the Contractor must notify the County, the Water Management District, the Florida Department of State, and the Division of Historical Resources. The Contractor shall follow any rules or requests from agencies with jurisdiction. If required to stop work, delay work, or perform extra work in the affected area, delays and additional costs will be considered an unforeseen difficulty according to the General Conditions.

17. EMERGENCIES

- 17.1. In the event of an emergency, the Contractor shall immediately notify the County and the Construction Project Manager.

18. SAFETY

- 18.1. The Contractor is responsible for providing for the safety of all Contractor's or subcontractors personnel working in the Project Area.
- 18.2. The Contractor is required to comply with Florida Statute (F.S.), Chapter 556, Underground Facility Damage Prevention and Safety Act. The Contractor is responsible for contacting Sunshine State One-Call of Florida, Inc. (Sunshine 811), at 811 or 1-800-432-4770 or www.sunshine811.com, no less than two (2) business days (48 hours) and no more than 5 business days before beginning any excavation, the Contractor provide notification according to the procedures of the F.S. Chapter 556.

19. WORK STOPPAGE

- 19.1. From time to time, it may be necessary for the Contractor to stop a portion of the work or all work to accommodate a civic function. If the Contractor will be required to stop work, the Construction Project Manager shall notify the Contractor a minimum of five (5) Working Days before any requested work stoppage. Following resuming work, the Contractor and the Construction Project Manager shall agree to and document the number of additional Days to be added to the Contract Time to accommodate the requested work stoppage.
- 19.2. From time to time, it may be necessary for the Contractor to stop work due to an asphalt cure period or similar period. If the Contractor is required to stop work for this purpose, the Contractor shall notify the County Project Manager to get approval for the number days required to stop work. Once the County Project Manager approves the dates in writing, the number of days not worked for this purpose will automatically extend the contract time without the issuance of a change order.

20. VIDEO RECORDS

- 17.1 Prior to mobilization the Contractor shall deliver to the County a pre-construction video (flashdrive) of the area of operations. The video will be labeled with the Project name, Contractor, and date of video.

The Contractor shall provide the County all delivery tickets and material invoices within two business days of delivery.

The County's Inspector, Project Manager and Professional of Record, shall be notified, by the Contractor and approval shall be obtained, on all proposed field changes, alterations, or additions to the approved plans prior to the implementation of such changes, alterations or additions. All changes shall be initialed by the Professional, the County Project Manager and the Contractor on the Contractor's plans. Any changes not initialed on the plans are considered unapproved.

Prior to final invoice, the Contractor shall deliver to the County the following: a post-construction video (flashdrive) labeled with the Project name, Contractor, and date of video; a video of the inside of all pipe installed (laser profiling), that cannot be observed from either end, to verify the condition of all joints; as-built survey that is signed/sealed by a licensed surveyor that satisfies SWFWMD permit requirements.

21. APPLICATION FOR PROGRESS PAYMENT

- 21.1. By signing and submitting an Application for Payment the Contractor certifies that all work and/or materials storage associated with the quantities in the Application for Payment have been completed in accordance with the Contract Documents.
- 21.2. When the Contract contains Utility Work by Highway Contractor the Contractor shall prepare a separate Application for Payment for each utility participating in the Utility Work by Highway Contractor. The Contractor shall submit Applications for Progress Payment for progress successfully performed and completed for each calendar month during the term of the contract.
- 21.3. In addition to the requirements of General Conditions 17.6 and 17.7, the final completion and waiver of claims will not be accepted by the County until the Certified As-Built Survey Drawings have been reviewed and accepted by the County and the required number of sets of the accepted Certified As-Built Survey Drawings and electronic files, and the Certificate of Final Completion have been received by the County.
- 21.4. Each Application for Payment submitted by the Contractor shall include a copy of all invoices for stored materials and the materials certifications for all materials stored or used in the work that is included in said Application for Payment.

22. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- 22.1. The parties acknowledge that it would be difficult or impossible to accurately determine the amount of actual damages the County would or may incur as a consequence of the Contractor's failure to timely deliver the Project Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Accordingly, in lieu of assessing actual

damages if the Contractor fails to timely deliver Project Work, the parties confirm that: (i) the assessment of liquidated damages is reasonable and appropriate; (ii) the terms and the amount(s) of the liquidated damages stated below are reasonable; and (iii) the liquidated damages will be assessed as the County's remedy under such circumstances and not as a penalty.

22.2. Should the Contractor request and be granted additional time to reach substantial completion via change order(s), the last revised date shall be the date used to calculate the time from which liquidated damages will be assessed.

22.3. Liquidated Damages in the amount of \$2,667, per day as authorized by Florida Statutes Section 337.18(2) shall be assessed.

23. PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

23.1. The Contractor will be evaluated on the performance of work and administration of the contract. Deficiency letters may be issued to the Contractor by the County for any work or activity of the Contractor or their subcontractors that does not satisfy the terms or intent of the contract. Deficiency letters will be a part of the interim and final Contractor performance evaluations of the contract.

24. PROJECT CONTINGENCIES

24.1. The Bid Form includes \$100,000.00 in contingency funds. The County shall approve charges against contingencies prior to invoicing. Any established unit prices shall prevail. If there are no unit prices established for the work, then the Contractor shall be reimbursed as defined in the General Conditions. The contingency funds will be used for actual work (time and materials). The contingency funds will not be used for any delay cost but may only be used for unforeseen conditions as determined by and agreed to by the County. The project contingencies have been defined as follows:

- 24.1.1. Drainage: \$50,000.00.
- 24.1.2. Earthwork: \$25,000.00.
- 24.1.3. Roadway: \$25,000.00.

25. MISCELLANEOUS

N/A

26. DEFAULT AND REMEDY

26.1. If the Contractor materially defaults in its obligations under this Contract and fails to cure the same within fifteen (15) days after the date the Contractor receives written notice of the default from the County, then the County shall have the right to (i) immediately terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to the Contractor, and (ii) pursue any and all remedies available in law, equity, and under

this Contract. If the County materially defaults in its obligations under this contract and fails to cure the same within fifteen (15) days after the date the County receives written notice of the default from the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to immediately terminate this Contract by delivering written notice to the County. Upon any such termination, the County shall pay the Contractor the full amount due and owing for all Services performed through the date of Contract termination.

27. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

- 27.1. In the performance of this Contract/Purchase Order, the Contractor shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA – designated items unless the product cannot be acquired –
- 27.1.1. Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;
 - 27.1.2. Meeting contract performance requirements; or
 - 27.1.3. At a reasonable price,
- 27.2. Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA – designate items, is available at EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.

28. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

- 28.1. The Federal Government is not a party to this Purchase order and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this Purchase Order.

29. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FLASE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENT OR RELATED ACTS

- 29.1. The Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor’s actions pertaining to this Purchase Order.

Scrutinized Companies and Business Operations Certification; Termination.

- A. Certification(s).
- (i) By its execution of this Agreement, the Vendor hereby certifies to the County that the Vendor is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes, nor is the Vendor engaged in a boycott of Israel, nor was the Vendor on such List or engaged in such a boycott at the time it submitted its bid, proposal, quote, or other form of offer, as applicable, to the County with respect to this Agreement.
 - (ii) Additionally, if the value of the goods or services acquired under this Agreement are greater than or equal to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), then the Vendor further certifies to the County as follows:

(a) the Vendor is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, created pursuant to Section 215.473, Florida Statutes; and

(b) the Vendor is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to Section 215.473, Florida Statutes; and

(c) the Vendor is not engaged in business operations (as that term is defined in Florida Statutes, Section 287.135) in Cuba or Syria; and

(d) the Vendor was not on any of the Lists referenced in this subsection A(ii), nor engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria when it submitted its proposal to the County concerning the subject of this Agreement.

(iii) The Vendor hereby acknowledges that it is fully aware of the penalties that may be imposed upon the Vendor for submitting a false certification to the County regarding the foregoing matters.

B. Termination. In addition to any other termination rights stated herein, the County may immediately terminate this Agreement upon the occurrence of any of the following events:

(i) The Vendor is found to have submitted a false certification to the County with respect to any of the matters set forth in subsection A(i) above, or the Vendor is found to have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel.

(ii) The Vendor is found to have submitted a false certification to the County with respect to any of the matters set forth in subsection A(ii) above, or the Vendor is found to have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, and the value of the goods or services acquired under this Agreement are greater than or equal to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000).

SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS-FEDERAL CLAUSES

The County has been awarded and received American Rescue Plan Act, State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (“SLFRF”) for the services to be provided under the Agreement from the U.S. Department of Treasury. In accordance with the federal procurement standards at 2 C.F.R. sections 200.317 through 200.327 the following clauses are incorporated in this RFP, any resulting award with the prime Contractor, and any resulting contracts between the prime Contractor and sub-contractors and material suppliers. The following conditions are supplemental to the General Terms and Conditions. Where there is conflict, these Supplemental Conditions prevail unless the General Terms and Conditions are stricter.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity. (Applicable to construction only)

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

- (1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- (2) The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.
- (3) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.
- (4) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.
- (5) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts

by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(6) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract/Purchase Order or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract/Purchase Order may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(7) The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States

2. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1) Overtime requirements. Neither the Consultant, nor any subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Consultant and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such consultant and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work

in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. the U.S. Department of Treasury, the applicable Federal agency, or Polk County as the recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the consultant or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime consultant, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime consultant, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such consultant or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) Subcontracts. The Consultant or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

3. Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Clean Air Act

(1) The Consultant agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

(2) The Consultant agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the U.S. Department of Treasury and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The Consultant agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

(1) The Consultant agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

(2) The Consultant agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure

notification to the U.S Department of Treasury, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The Consultant agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

4. Debarment and Suspension. (Exhibit “XXII”)

(1) This Contract/Purchase Order is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the Consultant is required to verify that none of the Consultant, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

(2) The Consultant must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Polk County. If it is later determined that the Consultant did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the U.S. Department of Treasury and the County. The Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract or purchase order that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

5. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)

Consultants who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification (attached hereto as Exhibit “XXIII”). 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, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

6. Procurement of Recovered Materials.

(1) In the performance of this Contract/Purchase Order, the Consultant shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—

(i) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;

(ii) Meeting contract performance requirements; or

(iii) At a reasonable price.

(2) Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>.”

7. Domestic Preference

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.322, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, the County must provide a preference for the purchase acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. For purposes of this section:

(1) “Produced in the United States” means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

(2) “Manufactured products” means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

8. Affirmative Action.

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.321, the County is committed to taking all necessary steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. The Consultant shall also take such affirmative steps in the selection of its subcontractors, laborers and materialmen. Affirmative steps include:

(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;

(2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;

(3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

(4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and

(5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

9. **Access to Records.** The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract and any Purchase Order issued hereunder:

(1) The Consultant agrees to provide Polk County and the U.S. Department of Treasury, or any of their authorized representatives, including but not limited to the Government Accountability Office ("GOA"), Treasury's Office of Inspector General ("OIG"), and the Pandemic Relief Accountability Committee ("PRAC"), access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Consultant which are directly pertinent to this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(2) The Consultant agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) The Consultant agrees to provide the U.S. Department of Treasury or their authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the applicable Purchase Order."

10. **USDT Seal, Logo, and Flags.** The Consultant shall not use the USDT seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of USDT agency officials without specific USDT pre- approval.

11. **Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.** This is an acknowledgement that U.S. Department of Treasury American Rescue Plan financial assistance will be used to fund the Contract only. The Consultant will comply will all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, policies, procedures, and directives.

12. **No Obligation by Federal Government.** The Federal Government is not a party to this Purchase Order and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, consultant, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this Purchase Order.

13. **Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.**

The Consultant acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Consultant's actions pertaining to this Purchase Order.

14. Changes.

All changes, if any, must be performed in accordance with the RFP Documents, including, without limitation, Article 11 and Article 12 of the General Conditions, as well as with any and all Federal supplemental requirements. The cost of the change, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, within the scope of its grant, and reasonable for the completion of the project scope. A cost analysis must be performed. The profit must be negotiated as a separate cost from the Consultant's cost. Consultants must provide a complete breakdown of all costs associated with the purchase.

Should the successful consultant request a change of work, or additional work, after execution of the contract, and it can be reasonably determined that the consultant was aware of the needed change or additional work prior to the award, the consultant will perform the work at no additional cost to the County.

15. Default and Remedy.

Process. If the Consultant materially defaults in the timely performance of any Contract obligation, or if the Consultant is otherwise in material default of the Contract, including, without limitation, the Consultant's failure to timely deliver any portion, or the entirety, of the Project Work in accordance with the Contract documents, then the County shall have the right to (i) with or without terminating the Contract, immediately call in any bonds or other form of security, and engage other consultants or providers at the Consultant's sole cost and expense to provide those unperformed or deficient Contract obligations of the Consultant; (ii) set-off the monetary amount of any and all damages arising therefrom, whether direct or indirect, actual or liquidated, from the amounts due Consultant pursuant to the Contract documents, (iii) immediately terminate the Contract by delivering written notice to the Consultant, and (iv) pursue any and all remedies available in law, equity, and under the Contract, including, without limitation, the recovery of any increased cost to the County to complete the Project Work due to the loss of American Rescue Plan funding caused, directly or indirectly, by the Consultant's delay. Upon any such termination pursuant to this Section, the County shall pay the Consultant the full amount

due and owing for all services properly performed through the date of the Contract termination, less any amount subject to the County's right of set-off, and all liability of the County to the Consultant shall cease.

Certain Material Defaults. Among other matters, including without limitation, the Consultant's failure to timely deliver any portion, or the entirety, of the Project Work in accordance with the Contract documents, as described immediately above, any of the following shall constitute the Consultant's material default of the Contract: the appointment of a receiver to take possession of all or substantially all of the Consultant's assets, a general assignment by the Consultant for the benefit of creditors, or any action taken by or suffered by Consultant under any insolvency or bankruptcy act; or the Consultant is convicted of a public entity crime, is determined to have violated federal or state law prohibiting discrimination as stated in Section 287.134, Florida Statutes, or is prohibited from performing work for or transacting business with the County pursuant to Section 287.133 or to Section 287.134, Florida Statutes; or an assignment of the Contract made without the express written consent of the County; or the submission of a false certification to the County or engagement in prohibited business operations, both as described in the Contract Documents.

16. Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.216 and Appendix II to Part 200, subsection (K), no funding or services provided pursuant to or in connection with this Contract, shall in any way be used to:

- (1) Procure or obtain;
- (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in [Public Law 115–232](#), section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

(ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

(iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The County reserves the right to direct purchase any tangible personal property item of the bid in order to save the sales tax on the selected item, which may include equipment, materials, and supplies that are components of a construction bid, but generally will purchase only major items. When the County exercises this option the following procedures shall be used for ordering, receiving, and paying for the Owner Direct Purchase (ODP) item.

BID PRICES: The bid must include the appropriate Florida State sales tax for all components of the bid that makes up the lump sum amount submitted.

ORDERING: The items selected would be purchased directly from the suppliers the contractor used to submit their bid to the County and therefore made a part of the construction contract executed with the County.

The Contractor shall fully cooperate with the County, providing information for the preparation of County issued purchase orders for these ODP's, monitoring deliveries, and approving invoices.

Following receipt of a sales tax savings form, the Contractors requisition from the supplier and the suppliers quote to the Contractor, the County will issue a purchase order to the supplier for the item selected for ODP to be delivered to the project site. The approved purchase order will be sent to the supplier and the Contractor. The Contractor shall verify that the purchase order was issued correctly. A separate sales tax savings form and a separate purchase order shall be used for each item selected for ODP.

After the County has affirmed that the items contained in the purchase order meets the exemption requirements contained in Section 212.08(6), Florida Statute, and Rule 12A-1.094, Florida Administration Code, the County will issue a Certificate of Entitlement. A Certificate of Entitlement will be issued with each purchase order for each ODP. The original Certificate of Entitlement accompanied by the County approved purchase order, the Contractors requisition to the supplier and the suppliers quote for the selected ODP item will be placed on file with the Florida Department of Revenue. The Contractor and supplier will be issued copies from the County.

EXPEDITING: The Contractor shall be responsible for expediting delivery to ensure that ODP item(s) is received on time to maintain the construction schedule.

RECEIPT: The Contractor shall sign for and receive all materials; and retain packing slips and delivery tickets for all materials delivered for the project. The Contractor shall be responsible for receiving, warranting, insuring the proper installation and operation of all materials and equipment required for the project, including all ODP items.

BILLINGS/PAYMENTS: All ODP's shall be billed to the County in care of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall check all invoices for accuracy and completeness when received. The Contractor shall be responsible for immediately notifying the supplier of any billing errors and requesting corrected invoices as necessary.

Receipts and invoices must be processed in a timely manner in order to take advantage of any discount payment terms and all discounts shall accrue to the County.

The Contractor shall prepare a direct purchase report for the County upon submittal of each pay request.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS: The County shall have title to all items of which any payment has been made under these provisions.

The selection of ODP for any item contained within the bid does not relieve the Contractor from liability for that item as it may be related to the quantity ordered, condition, the maintenance and care of the item when delivered, installation, incorporation of the item for its intended use in the work to be performed, and warranty of the item in accordance with the contract documents. The Contractor shall maintain products liability insurance, which shall include ODP items, as required for the normal practice of general contracting.

The County shall have access to all necessary records in order to conduct audits to determine the correctness and accuracy of any item purchased in accordance with these provisions.

REDUCTION: The Contract will be reduced via deductive change order by the amount of all items selected by the County for the ODP's. The deductive change order will require Division Director Approval.

SALES TAX SAVINGS FORM

CONTRACT # _____

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT _____

Materials	(1) Amt. in Contract	(2) Sales Tax	(3) Net Amt. for Purchase

- 1) This is the amount to be deducted from contract by change order.
- 2) The amount of the sales tax included in the material purchase line item supplied by contractor.
- 3) The amount to be used by Procurement to make the material purchase per the contractor’s stated quantities.

Part C – BID SHEETS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM (Unit Price)

NAME OF PROJECT: BID 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.

The undersigned, as Bidder, hereby declares that the only person or persons interested in the Bid Submittal as principal or principals is or are named herein and that no other person that herein mentioned has any interest in this Submittal or in the Contract to be entered into; that this Submittal is made without any connection with any other person, company or parties making a Bid Submittal; and that the Submittal is, in all respects, fair and made in good faith, without collusion or fraud.

The bidder further declares that they have examined the site of the Work and informed themselves fully in regard to all conditions pertaining to the place where the work is to be done; that they have examined the Plans and Specifications for Work and Contractual Documents relative thereto; that they have read all special provisions furnished prior to the opening of Bids; and that they have satisfied themselves relative to the work to be performed.

The Bidder proposes and agrees, if this Bid Submittal is accepted, to contract with the County in the form of Contract specified; and to furnish all necessary materials, equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, means of transportation and labor necessary to complete the Work.

ALL THE FOLLOWING REQUESTED INFORMATION MUST BE
HEREUPON GIVEN FOR THIS BID SUBMITTAL TO BE
CONSIDERED BY THE COUNTY

1. BID PRICE \$ _____

WRITTEN AMOUNT (SPELL OUT) _____ DOLLARS

_____ CENTS

(lump sum price for completing all required work in strict accordance with the requirements specified in the Bid Package)

2. CONTRACT TIME TO 270 CALENDAR DAYS FOR FINAL
COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT COMPLETION

NAME OF BIDDER _____
(type or printed firm, corporation, business or individual)

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER

(Copy of License Attached)

State Certification Number

Individual's Name (Print or Type)

Polk County Registration Number

Individual's Name (Print or Type)

Polk County Business Receipt Tax
(Business License)

Company Name (Print or Type)

ADDENDUM RECEIPT

Bidder shall acknowledge below the receipt of any and all Addenda, if any, to the Plans and Specifications, listing the Addenda by number and date.

Addendum No. _____

Date _____

Addendum No. _____

Date _____

Addendum No. _____

Date _____

We understand all requirements and state that as a legitimate bidder we will comply with all the stipulations included in the bid package.

Submittal Date _____
(Bid Receiving Date)

BIDDER: _____

BY: _____
(Authorized Signature – in ink)

(Printed Name of Signer)

(Printed Title of Signer)

Address City State Zip Code

Telephone Number
Email Address _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONTRACTOR, IF A CORPORATION

STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____ The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ___ physical presence or ___ online notarization this _____ day of _____ 20___, by _____ (name) as _____ title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who ___ is personally known to me or ___ has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONTRACTOR, IF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____ The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of ___ physical presence or ___ online notarization this _____ day of _____ 20___, by _____ (name) as _____ (title of officer) of the Company, pursuant to the powers conferred _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who ___ is personally known to me or ___ has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM, IF AN INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF _____ County OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this _____ (Date) By _____ (Name of acknowledging) who personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____ (Date) .

_____ (Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)

_____ (Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

PART D – EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT I: BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we _____ (hereinafter called the Principal) and _____ (hereinafter called the Surety), a Corporation chartered and existing under the Laws of the State of _____, and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, in the full and just sum of _____ dollars (\$_____) good and lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid upon demand of the County, to which payment will and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigned jointly and severally and firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal is about to submit, or has submitted to the County, a Bid Submittal for the purpose of _____

NOW THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are such if the Bid Submittal is accepted and recommended for award of a contract, the Principal shall, execute a satisfactory contract documents including an executed Public Construction Bond payable to County, in the amount of 100 percent (100%) of the total Contract Price, in form and with surety satisfactory to said County, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remaining full force and virtue in law, and the surety shall, upon failure of the Principal to comply with any or all of the foregoing requirements, immediately pay to the aforesaid County, upon demand, the amount of this Bond, in good and lawful money of the United States of America, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages.

In the event the numerical expression is omitted or expressed as less than five percent (5%) of the total bid price, this figure shall be assumed to be erroneously stated and this bid bond shall be binding upon the Principal and Surety in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the Principal and Surety have caused these presents to be duly signed and sealed this _____ day of _____ 20____.

ATTEST:

PRINCIPAL: _____

BY: _____ (SEAL)
Authorized Signature (Principal)

Witness

Witness

Printed Name

Title of Person Signing Above

ATTEST:

SURETY: _____
Printed Name

BY: _____ (SEAL)
Attorney in Fact

Witness

Witness

Printed Name

Business Address

NOTES:

1. Write in the dollar amount of the bond which must be at least five percent (5%) of the amount Bid included in the Submittal.
2. All bonds signed by an agent must be accompanied by a certified copy of such agent's authority to act.

Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Contract Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effectively dated copy of their power of attorney.

EXHIBIT II: PERFORMANCE BOND

**FRONT PAGE
F.S. CHAPTER 255.05**

BOND NO.: _____

CONTRACTOR NAME: _____

CONTRACTOR ADDRESS: _____

CONTRACTOR PHONE NO: _____

SURETY COMPANY: _____

OWNER NAME: Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida

OWNER ADDRESS: 330 W. Church St

Bartow, FL 33830

OWNER PHONE NO: (863) 534-6757

OBLIGEE NAME: (if
contracting entity is different
from the owner, the contracting
public entity) _____

OBLIGEE ADDRESS: _____

OBLIGEE PHONE NO: _____

BOND AMOUNT: \$ _____

CONTRACT NUMBER: _____

GENERAL DESCRIPTION
OF PROJECT: Furnish all labor, materials, supervision, and equipment
necessary to construct drainage improvements within the
Gardenia Subdivision in accordance with plan sheets and
project manual outlined in the bid documents.

PROJECT LOCATION: From the intersection of SR 60 @ US 27, go west on SR
60 for approximately 8.5 miles. Turn north on Old
Bartow/Lake Wales Rd and the Gardenia subdivision is
located along the east side of the road. This project is
located in unincorporated Polk County. All distances are
approximate.

EXHIBIT II (cont'd): PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That _____, as Principal, and _____, as Surety, located at _____ (Business Address) are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, as Obligee, in the sum of Dollars (\$ _____) in lawful currency of the United States, for the payment whereof we bind ourselves, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND is that if the Principal:

1. Promptly, faithfully, efficiently and fully performs all work, services, duties and obligations set forth and described in that certain purchase order dated _____, 20__ (the "Purchase Order") between Principal and Obligee for performance of all operations required for the proper rehabilitation of Cured-In-Place (CIPP) lining and installation of approximately 1,400 liner feet of 8-inch gravity sewer pipes, at the times and in the manner proscribed in the Purchase Order; and
2. Pays Obligee all losses, damages (liquidated or actual), expenses, costs, and attorney's fees, including, without limitation, costs and attorney's fees on appeal, that Obligee sustains resulting directly or indirectly from any breach or default by Principal under the Purchase Order; and
3. Performs the guarantee of all work and materials furnished under the Purchase Order for the time specified therein; and
4. Satisfies all claims and demands incurred under the Purchase Order, and fully indemnifies and holds harmless the Obligee from all costs and damages which it may suffer by reason or failure to do so;

then the Surety shall have no obligation under this Performance Bond.

In the event that the Principal shall fail to perform any of the terms, covenants and conditions of the Purchase Order during the period in which this Performance Bond is in effect, the Surety shall remain liable to the Obligee for all such loss or damage (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs and attorney's fees on appeal) resulting from any failure to perform up to the amount of the sum stated above.

In the event that the Surety fails to fulfill its obligations under this Performance Bond, then the Surety shall also indemnify and hold the Obligee harmless from any and all loss, damage, cost and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs for all trial and appellate proceedings, resulting directly or indirectly from the Surety's failure to fulfill its obligations hereunder. This paragraph shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Performance Bond.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be direct and immediate and not conditional or contingent upon the Obligee's pursuit of its remedies against Principal, shall remain in full force and effect

notwithstanding (i) amendments or modifications to the Purchase Order entered into by Obligee and Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent (ii) waivers of compliance with or any default under the Purchase Order granted by Obligee to Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent, or (iii) the discharge of Principal from its obligations under the Purchase Order as a result of any proceeding initiated under the Bankruptcy code of 1978, as the same may be amended, or any similar state or federal law, or any limitation of the liability of Principal or its estate as a result of any proceeding.

Any changes in or under the Purchase Order and compliance or non-compliance with any formalities connected with the Purchase Order or the changes shall not affect Surety's obligation under this Performance Bond. The Principal shall notify the Surety of all such changes.

Reference is hereby made to Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, and to the notice and time limitation provisions thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

ATTEST: _____ PRINCIPAL: _____
BY: _____ (SEAL)

Witness: _____ Authorized Signature (Principal)
Printed Name: _____

Witness: _____ Title of Person Signing Above: _____

ATTEST: _____ SURETY: _____
Printed Name: _____

Witness: _____ Attorney in Fact
_____ (SEAL)

Witness: _____ Printed Name _____
Business Address _____

NOTE: Date of the Performance Bond must not be prior to date of Purchase Order. If Contractor is Partnership, all partners should execute Bond.

Important: Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Florida. Attach a certified copy of Power-of-Attorney appointing individual Attorney-in-Fact for execution of Performance Bond on behalf of Surety.

EXHIBIT III: PAYMENT BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That _____, as Principal, and _____, as Surety, located at _____

(Business Address) are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, as Obligee in the sum of _____ Dollars (\$ _____) in lawful currency of the United States, for the payment whereof we bind ourselves, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS BOND is that if the Principal:

1. Promptly makes payments to all claimants, as defined in Section 255.05(1), Florida Statutes, supplying Principal with labor, materials, or supplies, used directly or indirectly by Principal in the prosecution of the work provided under and in accordance with that certain purchase order dated _____, 20__ (the "Purchase Order") between Principal and Obligee for;

_____ then the Surety shall have no obligation under this Payment Bond.

Any action instituted by a claimant under this bond for payment must be in accordance with the notice and time limitation provisions in Section 255.05(2), Florida Statutes.

In the event that the Principal shall fail to promptly make payment to any claimant as described above during the period in which this Payment Bond is in effect, the Surety shall remain liable to the Obligee for all such loss or damage (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs and attorney's fees on appeal) resulting from any such failure up to the amount of the sum stated above.

In the event that the Surety fails to fulfill its obligations under this Payment Bond, then the Surety shall also indemnify and hold the Obligee harmless from any and all loss, damage, cost and expense, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs for all trial and appellate proceedings, resulting directly or indirectly from the Surety's failure to fulfill its obligations hereunder. This paragraph shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Payment Bond.

The Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates and agrees that its obligations hereunder shall be direct and immediate and not conditional or contingent upon the Obligee's pursuit of its remedies against Principal, shall remain in full force and effect notwithstanding (i) amendments or modifications to the Purchase Order entered into by Obligee and Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent (ii) waivers of compliance with or any default under the Purchase Order granted by Obligee to Principal without the Surety's knowledge or consent, or (iii) the discharge of Principal from its obligations under the Purchase Order as a result of any proceeding initiated under the Bankruptcy code of 1978, as the same may be amended, or any similar state or federal law, or any limitation of the liability of Principal or its estate as a result of any proceeding.

Any changes in or under the Purchase Order and compliance or non-compliance with any formalities connected with the Purchase Order or the changes does not affect Surety's obligation under this Payment Bond. The Principal shall notify the Surety of all such changes.

Reference is hereby made to Section 255.05, Florida Statutes, and to the notice and time limitation provisions thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed this _____ day of _____, 20__.

ATTEST: _____ PRINCIPAL: _____

Witness _____ BY: _____ (SEAL)
Authorized Signature (Principal)

Witness _____ Printed Name _____

Title of Person Signing Above

ATTEST: _____ SURETY: _____
Printed Name

Witness _____ Attorney in Fact

Witness _____ _____ (SEAL)
Printed Name

Business Address

NOTE: Date of the Payment Bond must not be prior to date of Purchase Order. If Contractor is Partnership, all partners should execute Bond.

Important: Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) and be authorized to transact business in the State of Florida. Attach a certified copy of Power-of-Attorney appointing individual Attorney-in-Fact for execution of Payment Bond on behalf of Surety.

EXHIBIT IV: NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER

State of _____)
County of _____) SS

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are _____ of _____, the Bidder that has submitted the attached Bid;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstance respecting such Bid;
3. Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Bid;
4. Neither the said Bidders nor any of their officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid in connection with such Contract or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion of communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Bid of any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the Bid Price or the Bid Price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County) or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (name) as _____ (title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

EXHIBIT V: NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF SUBCONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall not execute any agreement with any subcontractor or permit any subcontractor to perform any work included in this Contract until he has submitted a non-collusion affidavit from the subcontractor in substantially the form shown below and has received written approval of subcontractor from Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County).

This form must be signed by an authorized signatory of the company.

State of _____)

SS

County of _____)

_____, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are _____ of _____, hereafter referred to as the Subcontractor;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of subcontractor's Bid Submittal submitted by the subcontractor to _____ the Contractor for certain work in connection with Bid: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.
3. Such subcontractor's Bid Submittal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham submittal;
4. Neither the subcontractor nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract or to refrain from submitting a Bid Submittal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by unlawful agreement or connivance with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in said subcontractor's Bid Submittal or secure through collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against the County or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the subcontractor's Bid Submittal are fair and proper and not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of their agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (*name*) as _____ (*title of officer*) of _____ (*entity name*), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

EXHIBIT VI: AFFIDAVIT OF PERCENTAGE OF WORK

Bid # 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP

By signing below, the bidder:

- Is certifying that they will be performing, with their own organization, the percentage of work required under the Supplemental Conditions of the contract documents for Bid # _____
- Understands that during Bid Analysis they will be required to submit a spreadsheet (Exhibit VI-A) listing the complete breakdown of the bid price submitted by area of work. The list must include the division of work being performed, the name of the contractor performing that area of work, the WMBE classification of the contractor, the dollar amount of the work, and the percentage of the total bid price for each division of work. An updated copy will be required at contract close-out, detailing exact dollar figures paid to each subcontractor performing work under this contract.
- Acknowledges that no changes to sub-contractors used will be allowed after submittal unless otherwise approved by the Procurement Director. Any prime contractor that defaults on this requirement may be suspended as allowed within the Procurement Procedures.
- If the percentage of work proposed to be completed by the prime is not equal to, or more than, the amount required, the bid will be considered to be non-responsive.

Bidder must sign and have notarized:

The undersigned Bidder hereby certifies that they fully understand the provisions as stated above and will comply.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20__

Name of Firm _____

By _____

Title of Person Signing

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 20__, by _____ (name) as _____ (title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

EXHIBIT VI-A: SUBCONTRACTOR LIST

This Exhibit is in an Excel spreadsheet format and available on the FTP site. If you need assistance accessing FTP site due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

To receive a copy of the **Exhibit VI-A, Subcontractor List**, please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder “**Bid 24-603 Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.zip**”, select “Open” or “Save As” to download the Bid documents, drawings, technical specifications, Excel Bid Sheet and Excel exhibits. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

EXHIBIT VI-B: GOOD FAITH EFFORT DOCUMENTATION

The following is provided for the bidder to use in conjunction with the Good Faith Effort requirement in Section 20.0 of the Invitation for Bid. For your convenience to supplement your own subcontractor/supplier database, we direct you to <https://apps.polk-county.net/vendorsdirectory/>, for additional names. Please list the company's names and the result of your contact for each subcontractor solicited. Suppliers can be listed in the blank spaces at the bottom of the page.

<u>Division of Work</u>	<u>Results of Good Faith Effort</u>
1. _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____
2. _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____
3. _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____
4. _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____
5. _____ _____ _____ _____	_____ _____ _____ _____

EXHIBIT VII: TRENCH SAFETY ACT COMPLIANCE

General:

1. The Contractor shall comply with the Florida Trench Safety Act (90-96), Laws of FL.) Effective October 1, 1990.
2. The Contractor(s) performing trench safety excavation on this Contract shall comply with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) trench excavation safety standards, 29 CFR's 1926.650, Subpart P, including all subsequent revisions or updates to these standards as adopted by the Department of Labor and Employment Security (DLES).
3. By submission of his bid and subsequent execution of this Contract, the Contractor certifies that all trench excavation done within his control shall be accomplished in strict adherence with OSHA trench safety standards contacted 29 CFR's 1926.650, Subpart P, including all subsequent revisions or updates to these standards as adopted by the Department of Labor and Employment Security.
4. The Contractor also agrees that he has obtained or will obtain identical certification from his proposed Subcontractors that will perform trench excavation prior to award of the subcontracts and that he will retain such certifications in his files for a period of not less than three years following final acceptance.
5. The Contractor shall consider all available geotechnical information in his design of the trench excavation safety system.
6. Inspections may be conducted by the County and the County's Safety Officer. Serious deficiencies will be corrected on the spot or the job may be closed. Imminent danger citing will result in the immediate cessation of work. Work will resume when the danger is corrected.
7. Bidder acknowledges that included in the various items of the proposal and in the Total Bid Price are costs for complying with the Florida Trench Safety Act (90-96), Laws of FL) effective October 1, 1990. The bidder further identifies the costs to be summarized as follows:

Trench Safety Measure (Description)	Units of Measure (LF, SY)	Unit (QTY)	Unit Cost	Extended Cost
A. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
B. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
C. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
D. _____	_____	_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
			Total	\$ _____

Failure to complete the above may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

EXHIBIT VIII: EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County), is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Pursuant to Executive Order 11246 as amended, you are advised that under the provisions of government contracting, contractors and subcontractors are obliged to take affirmative action to provide equal employment opportunity without regard to race, creed, color, national origin, age or sex.

We are committed to equal opportunity employment effort and expect firms that do business with the County to have a vigorous affirmative action program.

CERTIFICATION BY PROPOSED PRIME OR SUBCONTRACTOR REGARDING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

This certification is authorized pursuant to Executive Order 11246, Part II, Section 203(b), (30 F.R. 12319-15). Any Bidder or prospective contractor, or any of the proposed subcontractors, shall state as an initial part of the Bid or negotiations of the Contract whether it has participated in any previous Contract or subcontract to the equal opportunity clause; and, if so, whether it has filed all compliance reports due under applicable instructions.

Where the certification indicated that the prime or subcontractor has not filed a compliance report due under applicable instruction, such Contractor shall be required to submit a compliance report.

Contractor's Name: _____

Address: _____

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1. Bidder has participated in a previous contract or subcontract, subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause:
YES _____ NO _____
 2. Compliance Reports were required to be filed in connection with such Contract or subcontract:
YES _____ NO _____
 3. Bidder has filed all compliance reports due under applicable instructions:
YES _____ NO _____
 4. If answer to Item 3 is No, please explain in detail on reverse side of this certification.
YES _____ NO _____

The Bidder certifies that they do not maintain or provide for their employees any segregated facilities at any of their establishments, and that they do not permit their employees to perform their services at any location under their control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Bidder certifies further that they will not maintain or provide for their employees any segregated facilities at any of their establishments, and that they will not permit their employees to perform their services at any location under their control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Bidder agrees that a breach of this certification will be a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in any contract resulting from acceptance of this Bid. As used in this certification, the term (segregated facilities” means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms, washrooms, restaurants, other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms, storage areas, dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation/entertainment areas, transportation and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregate by explicit directive or are, in fact, segregated on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin, because of habit, local custom or otherwise. The Bidder agrees that (except where they have obtained identical certification from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) they will obtain identical certification from proposed Subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provision of the Equal Opportunity clause; and that they will retain such certifications in their files.

Certification – The information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. (A willfully false statement is punishable by law – U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001.)

Printed Name

Title

Signature

Date

EXHIBIT IX: DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE FORM

The undersigned Bidder in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087 hereby certifies that _____ does:

(Name of Business)

1. Publish a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violations of such prohibition.
2. Inform employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the workplace, the business's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace, any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations.
3. Give each employee engaged in providing the commodities or contractual services that are under bid a copy of the statement specified in subsection (a).
4. In the statement specified in subsection (1), notify the employees that, as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, or plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 1892 or of any controlled substance law of the United States or any state, for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five (5) days after such conviction.
5. Impose a sanction on or require the satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
6. Make a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of this section.

As the person authorized to sign the statement, I certify that this firm complies fully with the above requirements.

Bidders Signature

Date

EXHIBIT X: SAFETY REQUIREMENTS/REGULATIONS FORM

Bidder must sign and have notarized:

The undersigned Bidder hereby certifies that they fully understand the safety requirements/regulation provisions as stated in General Conditions 7.11 and will comply.

Dated this _____ Day of _____ 20__

Name of Firm: _____

By: _____
Title of Person Signing

This foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this ____ day of _____, 20__, by _____ (name) as _____ (title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

EXHIBIT XI: APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT

This Exhibit is in an Excel spreadsheet format and available on the FTP site. If you need assistance accessing FTP site due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

To receive a copy of the **Exhibit XI, Application for Payment**, please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**Bid 24-603 Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.zip**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents, drawings, technical specifications, Excel Bid Sheet, and Excel exhibits. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

EXHIBIT XII: CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION OF DISBURSEMENT

PROJECT: Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP

DATE: _____

CONTRACT NO. _____

PROGRESS PAYMENT NUMBER: _____

_____, Contractor for the above referenced Contract, hereby certifies that all Subcontractors and Suppliers, except for those noted below, have received their pro rata share of all previous progress payments made to date by Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County), for all the labor, work, materials and equipment furnished under the Contract. The terms "Subcontractor" and "Supplier" have the meaning defined in Part B of the Contract Documents.

EXCEPTION:

The following Subcontractors and Suppliers have not yet been paid their respective pro rata share of previous progress payments. A copy of the notification sent to each Subcontractor or Supplier explaining the good cause why payment has not yet been made is attached to this form.

Subcontractor or Supplier Name

Subcontractor or Supplier Name

Street Address

Street Address

City, State and Zip

City, State and Zip

State of _____

County of: _____

A false statement or omission made in connection with this Certification is sufficient cause for suspension, revocation, or denial of qualification to bid, and a determination of non-responsibility, and may subject the person and/or entity making the false statement to all applicable civil and criminal penalties.

Sworn to and subscribed before me by means of ___ physical presence or ___ on line notarization, this _____ day of _____ of _____ by _____

(Print name of authorized person signing Certification)

(Notary Public)

Commission Expires: _____

Contractor

By

Personally known _____

OR Produced identification _____

Type of Identification _____

Produced: _____

Title

Instructions:

1. Attach a copy of each good cause notification referenced above that has been sent to each Subcontractor and Supplier listed on this Certification.
2. Attach a list of all Subcontractors and Suppliers that have not yet been paid their proportionate share of any other progress payments previously received by the Contractor stating the date the Contractor first reported the nonpayment and the status of resolving the payment issue.
3. To be acceptable, this Certification must be executed by an officer or director with the authority to bind the Contractor and must be properly notarized.
4. This Certification must be submitted to the Professional with the Application for Payment for the requested Progress Payment.
5. A separate Certification is required for each Contract the Contractor has with the County.

EXHIBIT XIII: CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION

Project: Palmer Road Drainage
Improvement Project – ARP

County's Project No.: 5400215

Contractor No.: _____

Contract Date: _____

Notice to Proceed Date: _____

Completion Date: _____

The Work to which this Certificate applies has been inspected by the authorized representatives of Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County), Contractor and Professional, and that Work is hereby declared to be substantially complete in accordance with the Contract Documents on _____. This Certificate of Substantial Completion applies to all Work or a specified portion thereof under the Contract Documents. The warranty period shall begin on the date as established herein.

A list of items to be completed and corrected is attached hereto for final completion of Contract requirements. This list may not be all-inclusive; and the failure to include an item on it does not alter the responsibility of the Contractor to complete all the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. The items on the list shall be completed or corrected by the Contractor within _____ calendar days of the above date of substantial completion.

This Certificate does not constitute an acceptance of the Work that has not been completed in accordance with the Contract Documents; nor is it a release of Contractor's obligations to complete the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Signatories agree the project is substantially complete as of the date established herein and that the project can and will function as intended and that the attached list represents deficient items requiring correction/completion prior to final completion and that this list may be amended by the Professional or County to add any other items to bring the Work in compliance with the Contract Documents. If the list is amended a reasonable time shall be given to complete the items added.

Contractor: _____
(Type Company Name)

By: _____
(Authorized Signature)

(Typed Name & Title)

Date: _____

Professional: _____
(Authorized Signature)

Date: _____

County: _____
(Typed Name of Division)

By: _____
(Authorized Signature)

Date: _____

EXHIBIT XIV: CERTIFICATE OF FINAL COMPLETION

Project: Palmer Road Drainage
Improvement Project – ARP

County's Project No.: 5400215

Contract No.: _____

Contract Date: _____

Notice to Proceed Date: _____

Substantial Completion
Date: _____

The Work to which this Certificate applies has been inspected by the authorized representatives of the County, Contractor and Professional; and that Work is hereby declared to be finally complete in accordance with the Contract Documents on _____ . This Certificate of Final Completion applies to all Work under the Contract Documents.

All punch list items have been completed and corrected for compliance with Contract Documents. This Certificate constitutes acceptance of Work as specified and intended in the Contract Documents. Contractor retains responsibility and obligation to the County for Warranty Work arising after admission and acceptance of final completion. Signatories agree the project is finally complete as of the date of signature such that the project is in complete compliance with Contract Documents and authorized Change Orders.

Contractor: _____
(Type Company Name)

By: _____
(Authorized Signature)

(Typed Name & Title)

Date: _____

Professional: _____
(Authorized Signature)

Date: _____

County: _____
(Typed Name of Division)

By: _____
(Authorized Signature)

Date: _____

EXHIBIT XV: MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT STORED ON-SITE

Contractor's Estimate No. _____ Project _____

Period _____ to _____ Page _____ of _____

Prepared (signed & typed name) _____

Item No.	Item Description	Invoice Value Last Period	Invoice Value For Material Installed (-)	Invoice Value For Material Delivered (+)	Invoice Value This Period
TOTAL:					

EXHIBIT XVI: ALLOWANCE AUTHORIZATION RELEASE (AAR)

PROJECT:

AAR NO.:
CONTRACT NO.:

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

CONTRACTOR:

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

**DESCRIPTION OF
ALLOWANCE WORK:**

Reason for change:

***Not valid until signed by the County, Architect/Engineer and Contractor.**

Amount of Allowance Authorization included in this Contract is	\$
Amount of Allowance Authorization used to date	\$
Amount of Allowance Authorization used this AAR	\$
Balance of remaining AAR	\$

Original Contract Time	_____	days
Amount of the Allowance Authorization time included in this Contract is	_____	days
Amount of Allowance Authorization time used to date	_____	days
Amount of Allowance Authorization time used this AAR	_____	days
Balance of remaining Allowance Authorization Time is	_____	days
Date of substantial completion therefore is	_____	days

(THE TOTAL ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT REMAINS UNCHANGED)

CONTRACTOR

Date: _____

COUNTY DIVISION DIRECTOR

Date: _____

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER

Date: _____

COUNTY MANAGER or designee

Date: _____

AAR's over \$50,000.00 require County Manager or designee approval
AAR's over \$50,000.00 but less than \$100,000.00 require County Manager approval
AAR's over \$100,000.00 require Board approval

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

CHAIRMAN

Date: _____

EXHIBIT XVII: CHANGE ORDER

Project: _____ **Contract No.:** _____ **Change Order No:** _____

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida

Contractor: _____

Architect/Engineer: _____

Description of Change Order:

Contract is changed as follows:

Architect/Engineer: _____ (Signature) Date: _____

Original Contract Sum: \$

Net change by previously authorized Change Order \$

Contract Sum prior to this Change Order \$

Contract Sum will be increased/decreased by this Chang Order in the amount of \$

New Contract Sum including this Change Order will be \$

Contract Time will be increased by _____ days.

Date of Substantial Completion as of the date of this Change Order therefore is _____.

The above changes are accepted by:

Contractor: _____ Date: _____

You are hereby authorized to make the changes noted above:

Division Director: _____ Date: _____

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency:

County Attorney's Office Date

County Manager/Designee Date

(Change order increases require Board approval)

Attest: STACY M. BUTTERFIELD, CLERK

Polk County, a political subdivision
of the State of Florida

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

By: _____
_____, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date Signed by Chairman: _____

EXHIBT XVIII: CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

In accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 440, the General Contractor hereby states that for projects \$250,000.00 or more, all subcontractors employed to work have workers' compensation insurance in place.

Bid # 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP

Contractor

Signature

Printed Name of Signer

Date

EXHIBIT XIX: CERTIFICATION IMMIGRATION LAWS

POLK COUNTY WILL NOT INTENTIONALLY AWARD COUNTY CONTRACTS TO ANY CONTRACTOR WHO KNOWINGLY EMPLOYS UNAUTHORIZED ALIEN WORKERS, CONSTITUTING A VIOLATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN 8 U.S.C. SECTION 1324 A(E) {SECTION 274A(E) OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT ("INA")}.

POLK COUNTY MAY CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT BY ANY CONTRACTOR OF UNAUTHORIZED ALIENS A VIOLATION OF SECTION 274A(E) OF THE INA. SUCH VIOLATION OF THE RECIPIENT OF THE EMPLOYMENT PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN 274A(E) OF THE INA SHALL BE GROUNDS FOR UNILATERAL CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT BY POLK COUNTY.

BIDDER ATTEST THAT THEY ARE FULLY COMPLIANT WITH ALL APPLICABLE IMMIGRATION LAWS (SPECIFICALLY TO THE 1986 IMMIGRATION ACT AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS).

Company Name: _____

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

State of: _____

County of: _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 20____, by _____ (name) as _____ (title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

EXHIBIT XX: STATEMENT OF NO BID

If submitting a "NO BID", Bidder shall return this form to Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida 33830.

We have declined to bid on Contract Bid File: 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP for the following reasons:

- _____ Specifications too "restrictive" i.e., geared toward one brand of manufacturer (please explain below).
- _____ Insufficient time to respond to invitation for bid.
- _____ We do not offer this product or service.
- _____ Our schedule would not permit us to perform.
- _____ Unable to meet specifications.
- _____ Unable to meet bond or insurance requirements.
- _____ Specifications unclear (please explain below).
- _____ Other (please specify). _____

We understand that if the "No Bid" form is not executed and returned, our name may be deleted from the list of qualified bidders for the County for further projects.

Typed Name and Title

Signature

Company

Address

Telephone Number

Date

EXHIBIT XXI: SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES CERTIFICATION FORM

Florida Statutes, Section 287.135)

SOLICITATION NO.: Bid: 24-603

PROJECT NAME: Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP

The undersigned, as _____ of _____ (the “Contractor”), a Florida corporation, hereby certifies the following to Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, by and on behalf of the Contractor in accordance with the requirements of Section 287.135, Florida Statutes:

- i. The Contractor is not on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes, nor is the Contractor engaged in a boycott of Israel, nor was the Contractor on such List or engaged in such a boycott at the time it submitted its bid to the County with respect to the Contract.
- ii. Additionally, if the value of the goods or services acquired under the Contract are greater than or equal to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), then the Contractor further certifies to the County as follows:
 - a. the Contractor is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, created pursuant to Section 215.473, Florida Statutes; and
 - b. the Contractor is not on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, created pursuant to Section 215.473, Florida Statutes; and
 - c. the Contractor is not engaged in business operations (as that term is defined in Florida Statutes, Section 287.135) in Cuba or Syria; and
 - d. the Contractor was not on any of the Lists referenced in this subsection (ii), nor engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria when it submitted its bid to the County with respect to the Contract.
- iii. The Contractor is fully aware of the penalties that may be imposed upon the Contractor for submitting a false certification to the County regarding the foregoing matters.
- iv. The Contractor hereby acknowledges that, in addition to any other termination rights stated in the Contract, the County may immediately terminate the Contract upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
 - a. the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification to the County with respect to any of the matters set forth in subsection (i) above, or the Contractor is found to have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List or is engaged in a boycott of Israel; or
 - b. the Contractor is found to have submitted a false certification to the County with respect to any of the matters set forth in subsection (ii) above, or the Contractor is found to have been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List, or the Scrutinized Companies

with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List, or has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria, and the value of the goods or services acquired under this Contract are greater than or equal to One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000).

ATTEST:

a _____

By: _____

By: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

Its: _____

Its: _____

**EXHIBIT XXII: CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS**

For all awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs and activities, the Offeror must complete and sign the following:

The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

- (1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- (2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- (3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (the "County"). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the Florida Division Emergency Management, the County, and the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- (4) The bidder agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

SIGNATURE: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

DATE: _____

EXHIBIT XXIII: APPENDIX A, 44 C.F.R. PART 18 – CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

(To be submitted with each bid or offer exceeding \$100,000)

The undersigned _____ certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge, that: (Contractor)

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31, U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended by the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995). Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. § 3801 et seq., apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official _____

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official _____

Date _____

PART E –CONTRACT

This Contract is entered into as of the Effective Date (defined as the date approved by the Board and executed by the Chairman) between Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter known as the “County”, and _____ their successors, executors, administrators and assigns, hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”.

WITNESSETH: Whereas the Contractor agrees with the County, for the consideration herein mentioned, and at their own proper cost and expense, to perform all the Work and furnish all the material, equipment, supplies and labor necessary to carry out this agreement in the manner and to the fullest extent as set forth in the attached Bid documents, being hereby made as such a binding part of this Contract as if written word for word herein, and whereas the Contractor has furnished satisfactory Bond and has complied with insurance requirements of the Specifications in Bid #:24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.

NOW THEREFORE, the County and the Contractor do hereby agree as follows:

Article 1. Scope of Work: The Contractor shall perform in accordance with the attached Bid Documents, all the items of Work at the unit prices or lump sum price as listed in the Contractor’s Bid Submittal.

Article 2. Contract Price: The Contract price includes the total bid price of \$ _____ plus the Allowance Work amount of \$ _____ the total sum being \$ _____. This total contract price shall be reduced by the unused amount of the allowance, if such Work is not completed.

Article 3. Plans and Specifications: The plans and specifications, and other Bid Documents upon which the unit or lump sum prices in the Contractor’s Bid Submittal are based, are hereby made a part of this Contract by reference thereto; and are hereby attached hereto.

Article 4 Time of Beginning and Completion: The Contractor agrees to begin Work within 10 calendar days after issuance of a Notice to Proceed by the Procurement Division. The Contractor will complete all Work within 270 calendar days from the Start

Date memorialized within the Notice to Proceed. Total days for this project are 270 days. The allowance time for this project is 40 days.

Article 5. Payment for Quantities: Payment for those items requiring payment on a unit price basis will be made for the actual unit quantities, as provided for in the Technical Specifications.

Article 6. Partial Payments: Payment will be made to the Contractor for the Contract Work actually performed by the Contractor (during the previous calendar month) and approved by the County subject, however, to retention by the County of an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the payment in accordance with F. S. 218.735.

Article 7. Final Acceptance and Payment: Upon completion of the Work or as soon thereafter as practicable, the County and Professional shall make a final inspection and, if appropriate, acceptance of the Work, after which Contractor shall prepare a final estimate of all Work completed under this Contract. Payment therefore of the balance due shall be made in accordance with the Contract provisions. Payment on the final estimate shall include the full amount for the Work completed, based on the unit prices or lump sum of this Contract, subject, however, to the deduction of any payments already made under this Contract to the Contractor.

Article 8. Contract Documents: The Contractor and Polk County Procurement shall each obtain a photocopy of this Contract once it is executed. This original Contract shall be retained by the Clerk of Courts, County Comptroller once it is executed.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Contract.

ATTEST: STACY M. BUTTERFIELD, CLERK

COUNTY: POLK COUNTY, a political subdivision of the State of Florida

BY: _____
DEPUTY CLERK

BY: _____
W.C. BRASWELL, CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

DATE SIGNED BY CHAIRMAN _____

Reviewed as to form and legal sufficiency

County Attorney's Office

Date

ATTEST:

Corporate Secretary

CONTRACTOR: _____

BY: _____
Authorized Corporate Officer or Individual

SEAL

(Printed or Typed Name of Signer)

(Printed or Typed Title of Signer)

(Business Address of Contractor)

(Telephone Number)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM IF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

STATE OF _____ County OF _____

The foregoing instruments was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this _____(Date) by _____(Name of officer or agent) as _____(title of officer or agent) of the Company on behalf of the Company, pursuant to the powers conferred upon him/her by the Company. He/she personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters stated in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____(Date) .
_____(Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)
_____(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM, IF A CORPORATION

STATE OF _____ County OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this _____(Date) by _____(Name of officer or agent) as _____(title of officer or agent) of the Corporation on behalf of the Corporation, pursuant to the powers conferred upon him/her by the Corporation. He/she personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters stated in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____(Date) .
_____(Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)
_____(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM, IF AN INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF _____ County OF _____

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this _____(Date) By _____(Name of acknowledging) who personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____(Date)
_____(Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)
_____(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

PART F – TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS

Documents incorporated by reference in Supplementary Conditions on page 73:

Technical Specifications/Construction Documents, prepared by RK&K, Inc.

To receive a copy of the **Bid Sheet and Technical Plans/Specifications**, please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**Bid 24-603 Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.zip**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents, drawings, technical specifications, Excel Bid Sheet, and Excel exhibits. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

August 5, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**ADDENDUM #1
BID# 24-603**

PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Contract Documents for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Contract Documents and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted below and on the Bid Submittal Form.

Contained within this addendum:

1. Questions received and answered.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your bid submittal.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #1

Question 1: Please confirm there is no pre-bid meeting for this job.

Answer: That is correct. There is no pre-bid meeting for this project.

Question 2: Will the County consider accepting an underground utility license for this work. Per the specs, a general contractors license is required. However, the work for this project is all drainage and an underground utility contractor would be much more knowledgeable with this scope.

Answer: The scope of work for this project involves multiple disciplines including installation of storm drainage pipes and structures, earthwork, road pavement cuts and restoration, concrete driveways. The County is requiring on this project that the prime contractor have a Certified General Contractor's license issued by the State of Florida.

August 13, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**ADDENDUM #2
BID# 24-603**

PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Contract Documents for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Contract Documents and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted below and on the Bid Submittal Form.

Contained within this addendum:

1. Questions received and answered.
2. Change to Supplementary Conditions, pg. 71 of the bid document, item #2, 2.1.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your bid submittal.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #2

Question 1: Per the specifications a GC License is required to construct this project. A contractor submitted a question to the engineer to see if an Under Ground Utility License is acceptable and the County respond with no, in addendum #1.

An Underground Utility license covers all under groundwork (storm, water, sewer, roadway, excavation, concrete, etc....) By the County only allowing a GC's license to construct underground work, they are eliminating contractors who would otherwise bid this project as well as other qualified underground utility contractors.

Is there any way to have this specification changed? We have had this same issue on other Polk County projects.

Answer: We will accept a Certified General Contractor, Underground Utility Contractor, or a Contractor that is FDOT Prequalified for Drainage Work.

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #2

Remove in its entirety, Supplementary Conditions, pg. 71, Item #2, 2.1:

2. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

2.1. The prime contractor shall be an experienced contractor that possess a **certified general contractor license in the State of Florida**; copy of license shall be submitted with the bid proposal and a copy posted on the job site.

Replace with:

2. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

2.1. The prime contractor shall be an experienced contractor that possess either a **general contractor or underground utility license in the State of Florida** or be on the **Current List of FDOT Prequalified Contractors in Drainage Work**; copy of license shall be submitted with the bid proposal and a copy posted on the job site.

August 29, 2024

POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

ADDENDUM #3 BID# 24-603

PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Contract Documents for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Contract Documents and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted below and on the Bid Submittal Form.

Contained within this addendum:

1. Questions received and answered.
2. Revised Bid Sheet – Addendum 3 Bid Sheet
3. Addition of plans to the FTP site.
4. Supplementary Conditions, page 77, No. 17.1 Video Recorders is corrected to No. 20.1.
5. Revised Construction Cost Estimate - \$3,678,404.60.

To obtain a copy of the **Addendum 3 Bid Sheet**, specifications and drawings please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder “**Bid 24-572 Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.zip**”, select “Open” or “Save As” to download the Bid documents, drawings, and technical specifications. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your bid submittal.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #3

Question 1: Can a bid item be added for mobilization?

Answer: See Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

Question 2: Can a bid item be added for maintenance of traffic?

Answer: See Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

Question 3: When is the NTP expected for this project?

Answer: Based on the due date for this bid and the contract process, we anticipate having an executed contract with the awarded contractor in early November. An NTP could follow within a few weeks.

Question 4: Is recycled crushed concrete base allowed for the OBG – 01?

Answer: Recycled concrete aggregate, LBR 150 is allowable as long as it follows the rest of the standard specifications.

Question 5: Are there any additional permits required other than the NPDES? If so, what are they and what are the costs for each permit needed?

Answer: No other permits are required.

Question 6: Since there is federal funding for this project - will certified payrolls for prime and subcontractors, job board and all other requirements for federally funded projects be required for this project?

Answer: Davis Bacon wage requirement does not apply to ARP/SLFRF funded projects.

Question 7: Should there be a Davis Bacon Pay Rate associated with this project, since there is federal funding?

Answer: Davis Bacon wage requirement does not apply to ARP/SLFRF funded projects.

Question 8: Will an FDOT QC Plan be required per the supplemental conditions?

Answer: Stated in Supplementary Condition No. 6.3 on page 73.

Question 9: Is a post construction video required?

Answer: Stated in Supplementary Condition No. 20.1 on page 77.

Question 10: Per the utility relocate schedule, Duke needs 150 days during construction to relocate their utilities. Has this work been scheduled or completed? For there is not enough contract days to wait for Duke to perform their activities and construct the project in 270 days. Please advise of the status on Duke's work.

Answer: The County is currently coordinating with Duke and Comcast concerning their relocations. At the request of the Contractor, the NTP for the work covered under this bid will be held until the Duke and Comcast relocations have been completed.

Question 11: Per the utility relocate schedule for Comcast. Duke needs to have their new facilities installed before Comcast can remove their facilities off the old poles. This is an additional 40 days of contract time. Between Duke and Comcast, there's 190 days to install the new facilities and remove the old facilities before the contractor can start installing new storm drainage. Can this utility work be done prior to the contractor being awarded the project? Again, there is not enough time.

Answer: See response to Question 10.

Question 12: With the utility conflicts listed above, will the prime contractor be required to provide ROW Staking prior to the utilities being relocated?

Answer: No.

Question 13: Will PCMS only be required 2 weeks prior to construction for advanced notice or will they be required for the entire length of the project?

Answer: PCMS should be utilized for the entire duration of the project in advance of work zones.

Question 14: Should pay item 104-18 Inlet Protection be increased to cover the newly installed structures as well as the existing?

Answer: Payment for protecting new inlets is incidental to the cost of the new inlet.

Question 15: Are there any soil borings for this project?

Answer: A few soil borings were obtained for the pond site. The geotechnical report is included with this bid addendum.

Question 16: Do any of the MES need bar grates, for no grates are shown in the construction plans?

Answer: If it is listed in the plans as a side drain MES, refer to FDOT Index 430-022 for the required bar grates and fasteners. No bar grates are needed for the cross drain MES per FDOT Index 430-021.

Question 17: Per the general notes, the cost for re-establishing the existing fence is to be included in the excavation item. Can this work be paid for out of the contingency item for there is no way to determine what fences will be in conflict prior to survey? If the contractor must assume all fences are in conflict, and they are not in conflict, then this would be an unnecessary

cost to the County. To protect the Contractor and the County, this should be paid for on a contingency case.

Answer: If there are existing fences that are in conflict with the proposed work, County will request a price from the Contractor to either (a) relocate the existing fence or (b) remove the existing fence and replace with new. Contingency or allowance funds will be used for reimbursement for the fence work. See Plan Revision No. 2.

Question 18: Is the 5" Rap Driveway item to be paid under the OBG – 01 Item?

Answer: Yes. It was quantified using the 5" RAP base option.

Question 19: How is the asphalt and base replacement to be paid for when installing storm pipe across the existing roadway?

Answer: See attached plan revision No. 1 and Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

Question 20: Along Old Bartow Lake Wales Road, the proposed 30" Pipe is to be installed in line with the old cross drains – existing ditch. The new power poles are installed approximately 14" to the east of the existing ditch line. How will a 30" Pipe be installed next to these new poles without removing them? Not to mention, a trench box will need to be used to safely install this pipe per OSHA standards. With that being said, the new poles will conflict with the trench box. Example, refer to station 22+60, this new pole is in direct conflict of the proposed 36" storm pipe.

Answer: The County coordinated with Duke for the power pole relocations and will coordinate any additional required utility relocations for the project. The power poles will be relocated to the west side of Old Bartow Lake Wales Road to avoid conflict with the proposed storm sewer pipe (See utility relocation schedule). The pole at Sta. 22+60 RT is to be removed.

Question 21: Is the contractor responsible for any scratches on the existing roadway? The new storm pipe is being installed 7' of the edge of payment, some places less than that. This will cause the tracks of the excavator to be in contact with the existing pavement which will scratch the asphalt. Can a bid item be added for milling and paving or is the contractor responsible for this?

Answer: Contractor will take care to minimize damage to existing pavement. In the case of unavoidable damage to pavement, County staff will review the pavement condition and make a determination of course of action. Milling and resurfacing items are being added to the bid sheets and can be used for pavement repairs if needed.

Question 22: Is all the storm pipe to be RCP?

Answer: All of the storm pipe is required to be RCP except for the 42" pipe between S-23 and S-27. RCP or Polypropylene (PP) pipe is acceptable for the 42" pipe.

Question 23: Who is responsible for installing the new fence around the proposed pond and maintaining the fencing from S-23 to S-26 for the, while the new 42" storm is installed? Currently there are livestock within this area. This area will need to be fenced off while the new pond is being excavated and the storm pipe being installed.

Answer: A chain link fence with gate is to be installed around the pond. See Plan Revision No. 2 and Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

A new bid item for temporary fencing is added to the Addendum 3 Bid Sheet. The temporary fencing will be used to keep the livestock penned in while construction activities are occurring.

Question 24: Please confirm certified payrolls will not be required.

Answer: Confirmed.

Question 25: Please confirm Buy American applies.

Answer: No. However, awards are subject to 2 CFR 200.322 which establishes domestic preferences.

August 29, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA
ADDENDUM #4
BID #24-603**

Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project - ARP

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Contract Documents for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Contract Documents and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted on the Addendum and the Proposal Form.

The Bid Receiving Date has been extended one (1) week. The **revised** Bid Receiving Date is Wednesday, September 11, 2024.

Revised Construction Cost Estimate - \$3,841,566.89.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

THIS ADDENDUM SHEET SHOULD BE SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE PROCUREMENT DIVISION WITH YOUR BID SUBMITTAL. THIS IS THE ONLY ACKNOWLEDGMENT REQUIRED.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

Part C – BID SHEETS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM (Unit Price)

NAME OF PROJECT: BID 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.

The undersigned, as Bidder, hereby declares that the only person or persons interested in the Bid Submittal as principal or principals is or are named herein and that no other person that herein mentioned has any interest in this Submittal or in the Contract to be entered into; that this Submittal is made without any connection with any other person, company or parties making a Bid Submittal; and that the Submittal is, in all respects, fair and made in good faith, without collusion or fraud.

The bidder further declares that they have examined the site of the Work and informed themselves fully in regard to all conditions pertaining to the place where the work is to be done; that they have examined the Plans and Specifications for Work and Contractual Documents relative thereto; that they have read all special provisions furnished prior to the opening of Bids; and that they have satisfied themselves relative to the work to be performed.

The Bidder proposes and agrees, if this Bid Submittal is accepted, to contract with the County in the form of Contract specified; and to furnish all necessary materials, equipment, machinery, tools, apparatus, means of transportation and labor necessary to complete the Work.

ALL THE FOLLOWING REQUESTED INFORMATION MUST BE
HEREUPON GIVEN FOR THIS BID SUBMITTAL TO BE
CONSIDERED BY THE COUNTY

1. BID PRICE \$ 3,624,870.90
WRITTEN AMOUNT (SPELL OUT) Three million six hundred twenty four thousand eight hundred seventy DOLLARS
and ninety CENTS

(lump sum price for completing all required work in strict accordance with the requirements specified in the Bid Package)

2. CONTRACT TIME TO COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT 270 CALENDAR DAYS FOR FINAL COMPLETION

NAME OF BIDDER Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC
(type or printed firm, corporation, business or individual)

CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE NUMBER

(Copy of License Attached)

Certified General Contractor #GC051005
Certified Utility and Excavation Contractor #CUC057230
State Certification Number

John Thomas Cathcart
Individual's Name (Print or Type)

In Progress - Seminole County Attached
Polk County Registration Number

John Thomas Cathcart
Individual's Name (Print or Type)

In Progress - Seminole County Attached
Polk County Business Receipt Tax
(Business License)

Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC
Company Name (Print or Type)

ADDENDUM RECEIPT

Bidder shall acknowledge below the receipt of any and all Addenda, if any, to the Plans and Specifications, listing the Addenda by number and date.

Addendum No. 1

Date 8/5/24

Addendum No. 2

Date 8/13/24

Addendum No. 3 & 4

Date 8/29/24

We understand all requirements and state that as a legitimate bidder we will comply with all the stipulations included in the bid package.

Submittal Date 9/11/24
(Bid Receiving Date)

BIDDER: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

BY: [Signature]
(Authorized Signature - in ink)

Matt Blanton
(Printed Name of Signer)

President
(Printed Title of Signer)

1056 Willa Springs Drive Winter Springs FL 32708
Address City State Zip
Code

407-629-2900
Telephone Number

Email Address mblanton@cathcartconstructioncompany.com

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONTRACTOR, IF A CORPORATION

STATE OF Florida COUNTY OF Seminole The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this eleventh day of September 2024, by _____ (name) as _____ title of officer) of _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: _____

Printed Name of Notary Public: _____

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CONTRACTOR, IF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

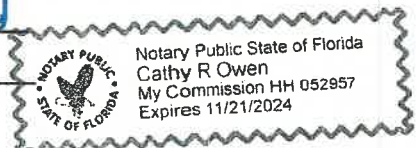
STATE OF Florida COUNTY OF Seminole The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this eleventh day of September 2024, by MATT BLANTON (name) as PRESIDENT (title of officer) of the Company, pursuant to the powers conferred _____ (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Cathy R. Owen

Printed Name of Notary Public: CATHY R. OWEN

Notary Commission Number and Expiration: _____

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRM, IF AN INDIVIDUAL

STATE OF Florida County OF Seminole

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this 9/9/2024 (Date) By _____ (Name of acknowledging) who personally appeared before me at the time of notarization, and is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification and did certify to have knowledge of the matters in the foregoing instrument and certified the same to be true in all respects. Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this _____ (Date)

(Official Notary Signature and Notary Seal)

(Name of Notary typed, printed or stamped)

Commission Number _____ Commission Expiration Date _____

ADDENDUM 3 BID SHEET					
Pay Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit	Unit Price	Total
101 1	Mobilization	1	LS	\$ 359,000.00	\$ 359,000.00
102 1	Maintenance of Traffic	1	LS	\$ 64,000.00	\$ 64,000.00
104 10 3	Sediment Barrier	9271	LF	\$ 6.00	\$ 55,626.00
104 18	Inlet Protection System	2	EA	\$ 450.00	\$ 900.00
107 1	Litter Removal	91.08	AC	\$ 45.00	\$ 4,098.60
107 2	Mowing	91.62	AC	\$ 125.00	\$ 11,452.50
110 1 1	Clearing and Grubbing	4.66	AC	\$ 68,000.00	\$ 316,880.00
110 4 10	Removal of Existing Concrete	141	SY	\$ 40.00	\$ 5,640.00
110 7 1	Mailbox, F & I, Single	39	EA	\$ 550.00	\$ 21,450.00
120 1	Regular Excavation	13093	CY	\$ 33.00	\$ 432,069.00
120 6	Embankment	3105	CY	\$ 44.00	\$ 136,620.00
160 4	Type B Stabilization	1674	SY	\$ 34.00	\$ 56,916.00
285 701	Optional Base, Base Group 01	937	SY	\$ 45.00	\$ 42,174.00
285 711	Optional Base, Base Group 11	737	SY	\$ 78.00	\$ 57,495.36
0327 70 1	Milling Existing Asphalt Pavement, 1" Avg Depth	915	SY	\$ 21.00	\$ 19,205.76
0334 1 12	Superpave Asphaltic Conc, Traffic B	269	TN	\$ 325.00	\$ 87,479.18
425 1541	Inlets, Ditch Bottom, Type D, <10'	14	EA	\$ 10,080.00	\$ 141,120.00
425 1549	Inlets, Ditch Bottom, Type D, Modify	1	EA	\$ 10,690.00	\$ 10,690.00
425 1551	Inlets, Ditch Bottom, Type E, <10'	1	EA	\$ 10,690.00	\$ 10,690.00
425 2 71	Manholes, J-7, <10'	6	EA	\$ 13,200.00	\$ 79,200.00
425 2 91	Manholes, J-8, <10'	2	EA	\$ 14,055.00	\$ 28,110.00
430 174 118	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Round, 18" SD	111	LF	\$ 135.00	\$ 14,985.00
430 174 218	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Other Shape - Ellip/Arch, 18" SD	749	LF	\$ 175.00	\$ 131,075.00
430 175 118	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Round, 18" S/CD	4	LF	\$ 200.00	\$ 800.00
430 175 124	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Round, 24" S/CD	226	LF	\$ 215.00	\$ 48,590.00
430 175 130	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Round, 30" S/CD	648	LF	\$ 240.00	\$ 155,520.00
430 175 136	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Round, 36" S/CD	529	LF	\$ 280.00	\$ 148,120.00
430 175 142	Pipe Culvert, Optional Material, Round, 42" S/CD	1242	LF	\$ 330.00	\$ 409,860.00
430 175 218	Pipe Culvert, Opt. Material, Other Shape - Ellip/Arch 18" S/CD	355	LF	\$ 160.00	\$ 56,800.00
430 175 224	Pipe Culvert, Opt. Material, Other Shape - Ellip/Arch 24" S/CD	577	LF	\$ 235.00	\$ 135,595.00
430 175 230	Pipe Culvert, Opt. Material, Other Shape - Ellip/Arch 30" S/CD	32	LF	\$ 268.00	\$ 8,576.00
430 982 138	Mitered End Section, Optional, Round, 36" CD	1	EA	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
430 982 625	Mitered End Section, Optional, Ellip/Arch, 18" CD	8	EA	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 30,000.00
430 982 629	Mitered End Section, Optional, Ellip/Arch, 24" CD	4	EA	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 16,800.00
430 982 633	Mitered End Section, Optional, Ellip/Arch, 30" CD	2	EA	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 11,400.00
430 984 125	Mitered End Section, Optional, Round, 18" SD	4	EA	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 15,000.00
430 984 625	Mitered End Section, Optional, Ellip/Arch, 18" SD	48	EA	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 180,000.00
522 2	Concrete Sidewalks and Driveways, 6" Thick	280	SY	\$ 140.00	\$ 39,200.00
524 1 1	Concrete Ditch Pavt, Non-Reinforced, 3"	1.41	SY	\$ 650.00	\$ 916.50
550 10 220	Fencing, Type B, 5.1-6.0', Standard	1952	LF	\$ 45.00	\$ 87,840.00
550 10 220	Fencing, Type B, 5.1-6.0', Standard (Temporary)	2480	LF	\$ 12.00	\$ 29,760.00
550 60 122	Fence Gate, Type A, Double, 6.1-12.0' Opening	1	EA	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,400.00
550 60 222	Fence Gate, Type B, Double, 6.1-12.0' Opening	1	EA	\$ 3,100.00	\$ 3,100.00
570 1 2	Performance Turf, Sod	15032	SY	\$ 6.00	\$ 90,192.00
710 90	Painted Pavement Markings- Final Surface	1	LS	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,500.00
	Raised Pavement Markers, Type B	12	EA	\$ 50.00	\$ 600.00
	Painted Pavement Markings, Standard, White, Solid, 6"	0.118	GM	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 2,950.00
	Painted Pavement Markings, Standard, Yellow, Skip (10'-30') 6"	0.059	GM	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 1,475.00
SUBTOTAL					\$ 3,574,870.90

PROJECT CONTINGENCIES				
Pay Item No.	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
999-901	Drainage	1	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
999-902	Earthwork	1	\$ 12,500.00	\$ 12,500.00
999-903	Concrete	1	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
CONTINGENCIES TOTAL				\$ 50,000.00
A. COMBINED ROADWAY, DRAINAGE AND CONTINGENCIES (BASE BID) TOTAL:				\$ 3,624,870.90

SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS-FEDERAL CLAUSES

The County has been awarded and received American Rescue Plan Act, State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF") for the services to be provided under the Agreement from the U.S. Department of Treasury. In accordance with the federal procurement standards at 2 C.F.R. sections 200.317 through 200.327 the following clauses are incorporated in this RFP, any resulting award with the prime Contractor, and any resulting contracts between the prime Contractor and sub-contractors and material suppliers. The following conditions are supplemental to the General Terms and Conditions. Where there is conflict, these Supplemental Conditions prevail unless the General Terms and Conditions are stricter.

1. Equal Employment Opportunity. (Applicable to construction only)

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

(1) The Contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

(2) The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive considerations for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

(3) The Contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

(4) The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

(5) The Contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts

by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

(6) In the event of the Contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract/Purchase Order or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract/Purchase Order may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions as may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

(7) The Contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (1) and the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (7) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The Contractor will take such action with respect to any subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance: Provided, however, That in the event a Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States

2. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act.

(1) Overtime requirements. Neither the Consultant, nor any subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

(2) Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages. In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section the Consultant and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such consultant and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section, in the sum of \$10 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work

in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (1) of this section.

(3) Withholding for unpaid wages and liquidated damages. the U.S. Department of Treasury, the applicable Federal agency, or Polk County as the recipient shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the consultant or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime consultant, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime consultant, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such consultant or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) Subcontracts. The Consultant or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraph (1) through (4) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (1) through (4) of this section.

3. Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Clean Air Act

(1) The Consultant agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.

(2) The Consultant agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the U.S. Department of Treasury and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The Consultant agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Federal Water Pollution Control Act

(1) The Consultant agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.

(2) The Consultant agrees to report each violation to the County and understands and agrees that the County will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure

notification to the U.S Department of Treasury, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.

(3) The Consultant agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

4. Debarment and Suspension. (Exhibit "XXII")

(1) This Contract/Purchase Order is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the Consultant is required to verify that none of the Consultant, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

(2) The Consultant must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Polk County. If it is later determined that the Consultant did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the U.S. Department of Treasury and the County. The Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract or purchase order that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

5. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment, 31 U.S.C. § 1352 (as amended)

Consultants who apply or bid for an award of \$100,000 or more shall file the required certification (attached hereto as Exhibit "XXIII"). 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, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant, or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Each tier shall also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the recipient.

6. Procurement of Recovered Materials.

(1) In the performance of this Contract/Purchase Order, the Consultant shall make maximum use of products containing recovered materials that are EPA-designated items unless the product cannot be acquired—

(i) Competitively within a timeframe providing for compliance with the contract performance schedule;

(ii) Meeting contract performance requirements; or

(iii) At a reasonable price.

(2) Information about this requirement, along with the list of EPA-designate items, is available at EPA's Comprehensive Procurement Guidelines web site, <https://www.epa.gov/smm/comprehensive-procurement-guideline-cpg-program>."

7. Domestic Preference

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.322, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, the County must provide a preference for the purchase acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States (including but not limited to iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products). The requirements of this section must be included in all subawards including all contracts and purchase orders for work or products under this award. For purposes of this section:

(1) "Produced in the United States" means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

(2) "Manufactured products" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

8. Affirmative Action.

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.321, the County is committed to taking all necessary steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible. The Consultant shall also take such affirmative steps in the selection of its subcontractors, laborers and materialmen. Affirmative steps include:

(1) Placing qualified small and minority businesses and women's business enterprises on solicitation lists;

(2) Assuring that small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises are solicited whenever they are potential sources;

(3) Dividing total requirements, when economically feasible, into smaller tasks or quantities to permit maximum participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises;

(4) Establishing delivery schedules, where the requirement permits, which encourage participation by small and minority businesses, and women's business enterprises; and

(5) Using the services and assistance, as appropriate, of such organizations as the Small Business Administration and the Minority Business Development Agency of the Department of Commerce.

9. **Access to Records.** The following access to records requirements apply to this Contract and any Purchase Order issued hereunder:

(1) The Consultant agrees to provide Polk County and the U.S. Department of Treasury, or any of their authorized representatives, including but not limited to the Government Accountability Office ("GOA"), Treasury's Office of Inspector General ("OIG"), and the Pandemic Relief Accountability Committee ("PRAC"), access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Consultant which are directly pertinent to this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

(2) The Consultant agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

(3) The Consultant agrees to provide the U.S. Department of Treasury or their authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the applicable Purchase Order."

10. **USDT Seal, Logo, and Flags.** The Consultant shall not use the USDT seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of USDT agency officials without specific USDT pre- approval.

11. **Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, and Executive Orders.** This is an acknowledgement that U.S. Department of Treasury American Rescue Plan financial assistance will be used to fund the Contract only. The Consultant will comply will all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, policies, procedures, and directives.

12. **No Obligation by Federal Government.** The Federal Government is not a party to this Purchase Order and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, consultant, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from this Purchase Order.

13. **Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts.**

The Consultant acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Consultant's actions pertaining to this Purchase Order.

14. Changes.

All changes, if any, must be performed in accordance with the RFP Documents, including, without limitation, Article 11 and Article 12 of the General Conditions, as well as with any and all Federal supplemental requirements. The cost of the change, modification, change order, or constructive change must be allowable, allocable, within the scope of its grant, and reasonable for the completion of the project scope. A cost analysis must be performed. The profit must be negotiated as a separate cost from the Consultant's cost. Consultants must provide a complete breakdown of all costs associated with the purchase.

Should the successful consultant request a change of work, or additional work, after execution of the contract, and it can be reasonably determined that the consultant was aware of the needed change or additional work prior to the award, the consultant will perform the work at no additional cost to the County.

15. Default and Remedy.

Process. If the Consultant materially defaults in the timely performance of any Contract obligation, or if the Consultant is otherwise in material default of the Contract, including, without limitation, the Consultant's failure to timely deliver any portion, or the entirety, of the Project Work in accordance with the Contract documents, then the County shall have the right to (i) with or without terminating the Contract, immediately call in any bonds or other form of security, and engage other consultants or providers at the Consultant's sole cost and expense to provide those unperformed or deficient Contract obligations of the Consultant; (ii) set-off the monetary amount of any and all damages arising therefrom, whether direct or indirect, actual or liquidated, from the amounts due Consultant pursuant to the Contract documents, (iii) immediately terminate the Contract by delivering written notice to the Consultant, and (iv) pursue any and all remedies available in law, equity, and under the Contract, including, without limitation, the recovery of any increased cost to the County to complete the Project Work due to the loss of American Rescue Plan funding caused, directly or indirectly, by the Consultant's delay. Upon any such termination pursuant to this Section, the County shall pay the Consultant the full amount

due and owing for all services properly performed through the date of the Contract termination, less any amount subject to the County's right of set-off, and all liability of the County to the Consultant shall cease.

Certain Material Defaults. Among other matters, including without limitation, the Consultant's failure to timely deliver any portion, or the entirety, of the Project Work in accordance with the Contract documents, as described immediately above, any of the following shall constitute the Consultant's material default of the Contract: the appointment of a receiver to take possession of all or substantially all of the Consultant's assets, a general assignment by the Consultant for the benefit of creditors, or any action taken by or suffered by Consultant under any insolvency or bankruptcy act; or the Consultant is convicted of a public entity crime, is determined to have violated federal or state law prohibiting discrimination as stated in Section 287.134, Florida Statutes, or is prohibited from performing work for or transacting business with the County pursuant to Section 287.133 or to Section 287.134, Florida Statutes; or an assignment of the Contract made without the express written consent of the County; or the submission of a false certification to the County or engagement in prohibited business operations, both as described in the Contract Documents.

16. Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment

In accordance with 2 CFR §200.216 and Appendix II to Part 200, subsection (K), no funding or services provided pursuant to or in connection with this Contract, shall in any way be used to:

- (1) Procure or obtain;
- (2) Extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain; or
- (3) Enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. As described in [Public Law 115-232](#), section 889, covered telecommunications equipment is telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).
 - (i) For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities).

(ii) Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment.

(iii) Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.

PART D – EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT I: BID BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we Cathcart Construction* (hereinafter called the Principal) and United Fire & Casualty Company (hereinafter called the Surety), a Corporation chartered and existing under the Laws of the State of IA, and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, in the full and just sum of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY ONE THOUSAND dollars (\$ 181,243.55) good and lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid upon demand of the County, to which payment will and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigned jointly and severally and firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal is about to submit, or has submitted to the County, a Bid Submittal for the purpose of 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvements
916 Palmer Rd, Lakeland, FL 33801

NOW THEREFORE, the conditions of this obligation are such if the Bid Submittal is accepted and recommended for award of a contract, the Principal shall, execute a satisfactory contract documents including an executed Public Construction Bond payable to County, in the amount of 100 percent (100%) of the total Contract Price, in form and with surety satisfactory to said County, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remaining full force and virtue in law, and the surety shall, upon failure of the Principal to comply with any or all of the foregoing requirements, immediately pay to the aforesaid County, upon demand, the amount of this Bond, in good and lawful money of the United States of America, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages.

In the event the numerical expression is omitted or expressed as less than five percent (5%) of the total bid price, this figure shall be assumed to be erroneously stated and this bid bond shall be binding upon the Principal and Surety in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the Principal and Surety have caused these presents to be duly signed and sealed this 4th day of September 2024.

* Company - Florida, LLC

ATTEST:

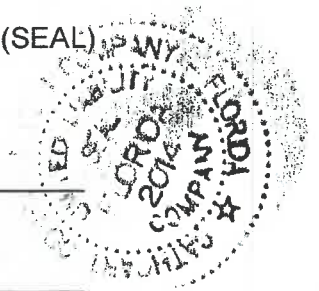
PRINCIPAL: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

[Signature]
Witness

BY: [Signature] (SEAL)
Authorized Signature (Principal)

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Witness

Printed Name



Title of Person Signing Above

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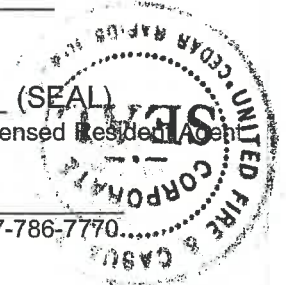
SURETY: United Fire & Casualty Company

[Signature]
Witness Sophia Golecki

BY: [Signature] (SEAL)
Printed Name
Attorney in Fact & FL Licensed Resident Agent

[Signature]
Witness Elizabeth Womack

Jeffrey W. Reich
Printed Name Inquiries: 407-786-7770



PO Box 73909, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-3909
Business Address

NOTES:

1. Write in the dollar amount of the bond which must be at least five percent (5%) of the amount Bid included in the Submittal.
2. All bonds signed by an agent must be accompanied by a certified copy of such agent's authority to act.

Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Contract Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effectively dated copy of their power of attorney.



Jeffrey W. Reich
License Number A217277



UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY, CEDAR RAPIDS, IA
 UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY, WEBSTER, TX
 FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, LOS ANGELES, CA
 CERTIFIED COPY OF POWER OF ATTORNEY
 (original on file at Home Office of Company – See Certification)

Inquiries: Surety Department
 118 Second Ave SE
 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, That United Fire & Casualty Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa; United Fire & Indemnity Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas; and Financial Pacific Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of California (herein collectively called the Companies), and having their corporate headquarters in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa, does make, constitute and appoint

KIM E. NIV, JEFFREY W. REICH, SUSAN L. REICH, TERESA L. DURHAM, LISA A. ROSELAND, SONJA AMANDA FLOREE HARRIS, CHERYL A. FOLEY, ROBERT P. O'LINN, SARAH K. O'LINN, EMILY J. GOLECKI, NATHAN K. REICH, EACH INDIVIDUALLY

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute in its behalf all lawful bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature provided that no single obligation shall exceed \$100,000,000.00 and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Companies and all of the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given and hereby ratified and confirmed.

The Authority hereby granted is continuous and shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by United Fire & Casualty Company, United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Financial Pacific Insurance Company.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following bylaw duly adopted by the Boards of Directors of United Fire & Casualty Company, United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Financial Pacific Insurance Company.

"Article VI – Surety Bonds and Undertakings"

Section 2, Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact. "The President or any Vice President, or any other officer of the Companies may, from time to time, appoint by written certificates attorneys-in-fact to act in behalf of the Companies in the execution of policies of insurance, bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of like nature. The signature of any officer authorized hereby, and the Corporate seal, may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or special power of attorney or certification of either authorized hereby; such signature and seal, when so used, being adopted by the Companies as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Companies, to be valid and binding upon the Companies with the same force and effect as though manually affixed. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective certificates of authority shall have full power to bind the Companies by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach the seal of the Companies thereto. The President or any Vice President, the Board of Directors or any other officer of the Companies may at any time revoke all power and authority previously given to any attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COMPANIES have each caused these presents to be signed by its vice president and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed this 24th day of January, 2023

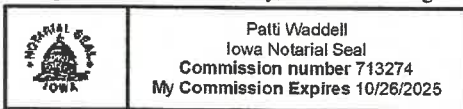


UNITED FIRE & CASUALTY COMPANY
 UNITED FIRE & INDEMNITY COMPANY
 FINANCIAL PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY

By: *Kyanna M. Saylor*
 Vice President

State of Iowa, County of Linn, ss:

On 24th day of January, 2023, before me personally came Kyanna M. Saylor to me known, who being by me duly sworn, did depose and say; that she resides in Cedar Rapids, State of Iowa; that she is a Vice President of United Fire & Casualty Company, a Vice President of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and a Vice President of Financial Pacific Insurance Company the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; that she knows the seal of said corporations; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporations and that she signed her name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporations.



Patti Waddell
 Notary Public
 My commission expires: 10/26/2025

I, Mary A. Bertsch, Assistant Secretary of United Fire & Casualty Company and Assistant Secretary of United Fire & Indemnity Company, and Assistant Secretary of Financial Pacific Insurance Company, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Section of the bylaws and resolutions of said Corporations as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the ORIGINALS ON FILE IN THE HOME OFFICE OF SAID CORPORATIONS, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the corporate seal of the said Corporations this 4th day of September, 2024.



By: *Mary A. Bertsch*
 Assistant Secretary,
 UF&C & UF&I & FPIC

EXHIBIT IV: NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT OF PRIME BIDDER

State of Florida)
) SS
County of Seminole)

Matt T. Blanton, President, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. They are Matt T. Blanton, President of Cathcart Construction Company-Florida, LLC the Bidder that has submitted the attached Bid;
2. They are fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached Bid and of all pertinent circumstance respecting such Bid;
3. Such Bid is genuine and is not a collusive or sham Bid;
4. Neither the said Bidders nor any of their officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly or indirectly with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Bid in connection with such Contract or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion of communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm or person to fix the price or prices in the attached Bid of any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the Bid Price or the Bid Price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement any advantage against Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County) or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and
5. The price or prices quoted in the attached Bid are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees or parties in interest, including this affiant.

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Seminole

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 11 day of September, 2024, by MATT BLANTON (name) as PRESIDENT (title of officer) of CATHCART CON-
STRUCTION COMPANY-FLORIDA (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Cathy R. Owen

Printed Name of Notary Public: CATHY R. OWEN

Notary Commission Number and Expiration:

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

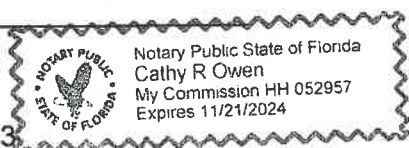


EXHIBIT VI: AFFIDAVIT OF PERCENTAGE OF WORK

Bid # 24-603, Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP

By signing below, the bidder:

- Is certifying that they will be performing, with their own organization, the percentage of work required under the Supplemental Conditions of the contract documents for Bid # 24-603
- Understands that during Bid Analysis they will be required to submit a spreadsheet (Exhibit VI-A) listing the complete breakdown of the bid price submitted by area of work. The list must include the division of work being performed, the name of the contractor performing that area of work, the WMBE classification of the contractor, the dollar amount of the work, and the percentage of the total bid price for each division of work. An updated copy will be required at contract close-out, detailing exact dollar figures paid to each subcontractor performing work under this contract.
- Acknowledges that no changes to sub-contractors used will be allowed after submittal unless otherwise approved by the Procurement Director. Any prime contractor that defaults on this requirement may be suspended as allowed within the Procurement Procedures.
- If the percentage of work proposed to be completed by the prime is not equal to, or more than, the amount required, the bid will be considered to be non-responsive.

Bidder must sign and have notarized:

The undersigned Bidder hereby certifies that they fully understand the provisions as stated above and will comply.

Dated this eleventh day of September, 20 24

Name of Firm Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

By Matt Blanton

President

Title of Person Signing

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization, this 11 day of September, 2024, by

MATT BLANTON (name) as PRESIDENT (title of officer) of CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FL LLC (entity name), on behalf of the company, who is personally known to me or has produced _____ as identification.

Notary Public Signature: Cathy R. Owen

Printed Name of Notary Public: CATHY R. OWEN

Notary Commission Number and Expiration:

(AFFIX NOTARY SEAL)

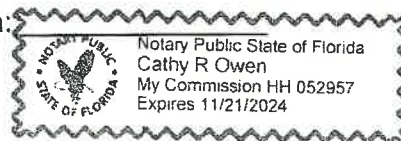


EXHIBIT VIII: EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (County), is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Pursuant to Executive Order 11246 as amended, you are advised that under the provisions of government contracting, contractors and subcontractors are obliged to take affirmative action to provide equal employment opportunity without regard to race, creed, color, national origin, age or sex.

We are committed to equal opportunity employment effort and expect firms that do business with the County to have a vigorous affirmative action program.

CERTIFICATION BY PROPOSED PRIME OR SUBCONTRACTOR REGARDING EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

This certification is authorized pursuant to Executive Order 11246, Part II, Section 203(b), (30 F.R. 12319-15). Any Bidder or prospective contractor, or any of the proposed subcontractors, shall state as an initial part of the Bid or negotiations of the Contract whether it has participated in any previous Contract or subcontract to the equal opportunity clause; and, if so, whether it has filed all compliance reports due under applicable instructions.

Where the certification indicated that the prime or subcontractor has not filed a compliance report due under applicable instruction, such Contractor shall be required to submit a compliance report.

Contractor's Name: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

Address: 1056 Willa Springs Drive, Winter Springs, Florida 32708

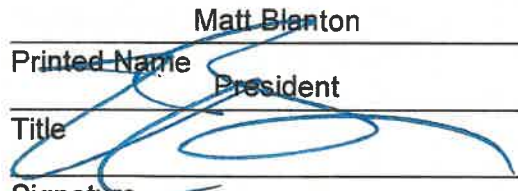
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1. Bidder has participated in a previous contract or subcontract, subject to the Equal Opportunity Clause:
YES NO
 2. Compliance Reports were required to be filed in connection with such Contract or subcontract:
YES NO
 3. Bidder has filed all compliance reports due under applicable instructions:
YES NO
 4. If answer to Item 3 is No, please explain in detail on reverse side of this certification.
YES N/A NO

The Bidder certifies that they do not maintain or provide for their employees any segregated facilities at any of their establishments, and that they do not permit their employees to perform their services at any location under their control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Bidder certifies further that they will not maintain or provide for their employees any segregated facilities at any of their establishments, and that they will not permit their employees to perform their services at any location under their control where segregated facilities are maintained. The Bidder agrees that a breach of this certification will be a violation of the Equal Opportunity clause in any contract resulting from acceptance of this Bid. As used in this certification, the term (segregated facilities” means any waiting rooms, work areas, restrooms, washrooms, restaurants, other eating areas, time clocks, locker rooms, storage areas, dressing areas, parking lots, drinking fountains, recreation/entertainment areas, transportation and housing facilities provided for employees which are segregate by explicit directive or are, in fact, segregated on the basis of race, color, religion or national origin, because of habit, local custom or otherwise. The Bidder agrees that (except where they have obtained identical certification from proposed subcontractors for specific time periods) they will obtain identical certification from proposed Subcontractors prior to the award of subcontracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provision of the Equal Opportunity clause; and that they will retain such certifications in their files.

Certification – The information above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. (A willfully false statement is punishable by law – U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001.)

Printed Name Matt Blanton

Title President

Signature 

Date 9/11/24

**EXHIBIT XXII: CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION,
PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS**

For all awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs and activities, the Offeror must complete and sign the following:

The Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

(1) This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor, its principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995), or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).

(2) The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.

(3) This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida (the "County"). If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to the Florida Division Emergency Management, the County, and the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.

(4) The bidder agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

SIGNATURE: _____

COMPANY NAME: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

DATE: 9/11/24

August 5, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**ADDENDUM #1
BID# 24-603**

PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Contract Documents for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Contract Documents and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted below and on the Bid Submittal Form.

Contained within this addendum:

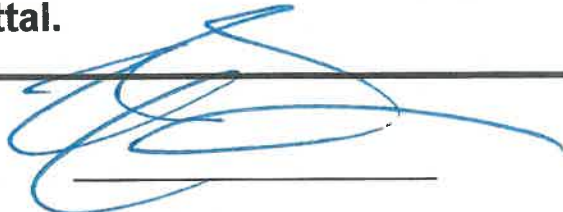
1. Questions received and answered.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your bid submittal.

Signature: _____



Printed Name: Matt Blanton

Title: President

Company: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #1

Question 1: Please confirm there is no pre-bid meeting for this job.

Answer: That is correct. There is no pre-bid meeting for this project.

Question 2: Will the County consider accepting an underground utility license for this work. Per the specs, a general contractors license is required. However, the work for this project is all drainage and an underground utility contractor would be much more knowledgeable with this scope.

Answer: The scope of work for this project involves multiple disciplines including installation of storm drainage pipes and structures, earthwork, road pavement cuts and restoration, concrete driveways. The County is requiring on this project that the prime contractor have a Certified General Contractor's license issued by the State of Florida.

August 13, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**ADDENDUM #2
BID# 24-603**

PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP

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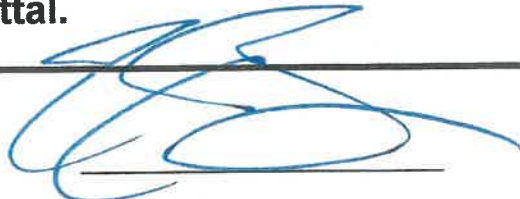
1. Questions received and answered.
2. Change to Supplementary Conditions, pg. 71 of the bid document, item #2, 2.1.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

**This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your
bid submittal.**

Signature: _____



Printed Name: _____

Matt Blanton

Title: _____

President

Company: _____

Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #2

Question 1: Per the specifications a GC License is required to construct this project. A contractor submitted a question to the engineer to see if an Under Ground Utility License is acceptable and the County respond with no, in addendum #1.

An Underground Utility license covers all under groundwork (storm, water, sewer, roadway, excavation, concrete, etc....) By the County only allowing a GC's license to construct underground work, they are eliminating contractors who would otherwise bid this project as well as other qualified underground utility contractors.

Is there any way to have this specification changed? We have had this same issue on other Polk County projects.

Answer: We will accept a Certified General Contractor, Underground Utility Contractor, or a Contractor that is FDOT Prequalified for Drainage Work.

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #2

Remove in its entirety, Supplementary Conditions, pg. 71, Item #2, 2.1:

2. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

2.1. The prime contractor shall be an experienced contractor that possess a **certified general contractor license in the State of Florida**; copy of license shall be submitted with the bid proposal and a copy posted on the job site.

Replace with:

2. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

2.1. The prime contractor shall be an experienced contractor that possess either a **general contractor or underground utility license in the State of Florida** or be on the **Current List of FDOT Prequalified Contractors in Drainage Work**; copy of license shall be submitted with the bid proposal and a copy posted on the job site.

August 29, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA**

**ADDENDUM #3
BID# 24-603**

PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP

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Contained within this addendum:

1. Questions received and answered.
2. Revised Bid Sheet – Addendum 3 Bid Sheet
3. Addition of plans to the FTP site.
4. Supplementary Conditions, page 77, No. 17.1 Video Recorders is corrected to No. 20.1.
5. Revised Construction Cost Estimate - \$3,678,404.60.

To obtain a copy of the **Addendum 3 Bid Sheet**, specifications and drawings please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**Bid 24-572 Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project – ARP.zip**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents, drawings, and technical specifications. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Michael Guerrero at michaelguerrero@polk-county.net.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

This Addendum sheet should be signed and submitted with your bid submittal.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke at the end, positioned above a horizontal line.

Printed Name:

Matt Blanton

Title:

President

Company:

Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

BID 24-603
PALMER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - ARP
ADDENDUM #3

Question 1: Can a bid item be added for mobilization?

Answer: See Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

Question 2: Can a bid item be added for maintenance of traffic?

Answer: See Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

Question 3: When is the NTP expected for this project?

Answer: Based on the due date for this bid and the contract process, we anticipate having an executed contract with the awarded contractor in early November. An NTP could follow within a few weeks.

Question 4: Is recycled crushed concrete base allowed for the OBG – 01?

Answer: Recycled concrete aggregate, LBR 150 is allowable as long as it follows the rest of the standard specifications.

Question 5: Are there any additional permits required other than the NPDES? If so, what are they and what are the costs for each permit needed?

Answer: No other permits are required.

Question 6: Since there is federal funding for this project - will certified payrolls for prime and subcontractors, job board and all other requirements for federally funded projects be required for this project?

Answer: Davis Bacon wage requirement does not apply to ARP/SLFRF funded projects.

Question 7: Should there be a Davis Bacon Pay Rate associated with this project, since there is federal funding?

Answer: Davis Bacon wage requirement does not apply to ARP/SLFRF funded projects.

Question 8: Will an FDOT QC Plan be required per the supplemental conditions?

Answer: Stated in Supplementary Condition No. 6.3 on page 73.

Question 9: Is a post construction video required?

Answer: Stated in Supplementary Condition No. 20.1 on page 77.

Question 10: Per the utility relocate schedule, Duke needs 150 days during construction to relocate their utilities. Has this work been scheduled or completed? For there is not enough contract days to wait for Duke to perform their activities and construct the project in 270 days. Please advise of the status on Duke's work.

Answer: The County is currently coordinating with Duke and Comcast concerning their relocations. At the request of the Contractor, the NTP for the work covered under this bid will be held until the Duke and Comcast relocations have been completed.

Question 11: Per the utility relocate schedule for Comcast. Duke needs to have their new facilities installed before Comcast can remove their facilities off the old poles. This is an additional 40 days of contract time. Between Duke and Comcast, there's 190 days to install the new facilities and remove the old facilities before the contractor can start installing new storm drainage. Can this utility work be done prior to the contractor being awarded the project? Again, there is not enough time.

Answer: See response to Question 10.

Question 12: With the utility conflicts listed above, will the prime contractor be required to provide ROW Staking prior to the utilities being relocated?

Answer: No.

Question 13: Will PCMS only be required 2 weeks prior to construction for advanced notice or will they be required for the entire length of the project?

Answer: PCMS should be utilized for the entire duration of the project in advance of work zones.

Question 14: Should pay item 104-18 Inlet Protection be increased to cover the newly installed structures as well as the existing?

Answer: Payment for protecting new inlets is incidental to the cost of the new inlet.

Question 15: Are there any soil borings for this project?

Answer: A few soil borings were obtained for the pond site. The geotechnical report is included with this bid addendum.

Question 16: Do any of the MES need bar grates, for no grates are shown in the construction plans?

Answer: If it is listed in the plans as a side drain MES, refer to FDOT Index 430-022 for the required bar grates and fasteners. No bar grates are needed for the cross drain MES per FDOT Index 430-021.

Question 17: Per the general notes, the cost for re-establishing the existing fence is to be included in the excavation item. Can this work be paid for out of the contingency item for there is no way to determine what fences will be in conflict prior to survey? If the contractor must assume all fences are in conflict, and they are not in conflict, then this would be an unnecessary

cost to the County. To protect the Contractor and the County, this should be paid for on a contingency case.

Answer: If there are existing fences that are in conflict with the proposed work, County will request a price from the Contractor to either (a) relocate the existing fence or (b) remove the existing fence and replace with new. Contingency or allowance funds will be used for reimbursement for the fence work. See Plan Revision No. 2.

Question 18: Is the 5" Rap Driveway item to be paid under the OBG – 01 Item?

Answer: Yes. It was quantified using the 5" RAP base option.

Question 19: How is the asphalt and base replacement to be paid for when installing storm pipe across the existing roadway?

Answer: See attached plan revision No. 1 and Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

Question 20: Along Old Bartow Lake Wales Road, the proposed 30" Pipe is to be installed in line with the old cross drains – existing ditch. The new power poles are installed approximately 14" to the east of the existing ditch line. How will a 30" Pipe be installed next to these new poles without removing them? Not to mention, a trench box will need to be used to safely install this pipe per OSHA standards. With that being said, the new poles will conflict with the trench box. Example, refer to station 22+60, this new pole is in direct conflict of the proposed 36" storm pipe.

Answer: The County coordinated with Duke for the power pole relocations and will coordinate any additional required utility relocations for the project. The power poles will be relocated to the west side of Old Bartow Lake Wales Road to avoid conflict with the proposed storm sewer pipe (See utility relocation schedule). The pole at Sta. 22+60 RT is to be removed.

Question 21: Is the contractor responsible for any scratches on the existing roadway? The new storm pipe is being installed 7' of the edge of payment, some places less than that. This will cause the tracks of the excavator to be in contact with the existing pavement which will scratch the asphalt. Can a bid item be added for milling and paving or is the contractor responsible for this?

Answer: Contractor will take care to minimize damage to existing pavement. In the case of unavoidable damage to pavement, County staff will review the pavement condition and make a determination of course of action. Milling and resurfacing items are being added to the bid sheets and can be used for pavement repairs if needed.

Question 22: Is all the storm pipe to be RCP?

Answer: All of the storm pipe is required to be RCP except for the 42" pipe between S-23 and S-27. RCP or Polypropylene (PP) pipe is acceptable for the 42" pipe.

Question 23: Who is responsible for installing the new fence around the proposed pond and maintaining the fencing from S-23 to S-26 for the, while the new 42" storm is installed? Currently there are livestock within this area. This area will need to be fenced off while the new pond is being excavated and the storm pipe being installed.

Answer: A chain link fence with gate is to be installed around the pond. See Plan Revision No. 2 and Addendum 3 Bid Sheet.

A new bid item for temporary fencing is added to the Addendum 3 Bid Sheet. The temporary fencing will be used to keep the livestock penned in while construction activities are occurring.

Question 24: Please confirm certified payrolls will not be required.

Answer: Confirmed.

Question 25: Please confirm Buy American applies.

Answer: No. However, awards are subject to 2 CFR 200.322 which establishes domestic preferences.

August 29, 2024

**POLK COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF
THE STATE OF FLORIDA
ADDENDUM #4
BID #24-603**

Palmer Road Drainage Improvement Project - ARP

This addendum is issued to clarify, add to, revise and/or delete items of the Contract Documents for this work. This Addendum is a part of the Contract Documents and acknowledgment of its receipt shall be noted on the Addendum and the Proposal Form.

The Bid Receiving Date has been extended one (1) week. The revised Bid Receiving Date is Wednesday, September 11, 2024.

Revised Construction Cost Estimate - \$3,841,566.89.

Michael Guerrero

Michael Guerrero
Sr. Procurement Analyst
Procurement Division

THIS ADDENDUM SHEET SHOULD BE SIGNED AND RETURNED TO THE PROCUREMENT DIVISION WITH YOUR BID SUBMITTAL. THIS IS THE ONLY ACKNOWLEDGMENT REQUIRED.

Signature:  _____

Printed Name: Matt Blanton

Title: President

Company: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the
 requester. Do not
 send to the IRS.**

▶ Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

Print or type.
 See Specific Instructions on page 3.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank. Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC	
2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____ <small>(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC	<input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> Partnership
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=Partnership) ▶ P	<input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate
Note: Check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner. Do not check LLC if the LLC is classified as a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner unless the owner of the LLC is another LLC that is not disregarded from the owner for U.S. federal tax purposes. Otherwise, a single-member LLC that is disregarded from the owner should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶	
5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.) See instructions. 1056 Willa Springs	Requester's name and address (optional)
6 City, state, and ZIP code Winter Springs, FL 32708	
7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. Also see *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number									
or									
Employer identification number									
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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶ 9/11/24
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General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)

- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
 - Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
 - Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
 - Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
 - Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)
 - Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
 - Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
 - Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)
- Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.
- If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See What is backup withholding, later.*



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MATTHEW T BLANTON (OFFICER)

REGULATED
License # - GCG051005
Qualifier- JOHN THOMAS CATHCART

Receipt #: WEB#2023092831551

Amount Paid: \$ 45.00

Date Paid: 09/28/2023

BUSINESS OWNER, PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

• **DISPLAY THE ABOVE RECEIPT PROMINENTLY:** This Business Tax Receipt shall be displayed conspicuously at the place of business in such a manner that it can be open to the view of the public and subject to inspection by all duly authorized officers of the County. Upon failure to do so the business shall be subject to the payment of another business tax for the same business or profession.

• **RENEW THIS TAX BEFORE IT EXPIRES:** Pursuant to Florida Statutes, all Business Tax Receipts shall be issued by the Tax Collector beginning July 1st of each year, and it shall expire on September 30th of the succeeding year. Those Business Tax Receipts issued as renewal accounts beginning October 1st shall be delinquent and subject to a delinquency penalty of 10% for the month of October, plus an additional 5% penalty for each month of delinquency thereafter until paid; provided that the total penalty shall not exceed 25% of the business tax for the delinquent establishment (Florida Statute [FS] 205.053 [1]).

A 25% penalty shall be imposed on any individual engaged in any new business or profession without first obtaining a Seminole County Business Tax receipt ([FS] 205.053 [2]).

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REPORT ALL CHANGES: The holder of this Business Tax Receipt is required to report a change in the following: Ownership, Business Location, Mailing Address, or any other information that would alter the status of the current year's information. This includes, but is not limited to, the loss of or a change in a State or Regulatory License which was used to qualify for the business identified on the current County Business Tax Receipt. If you have any changes to report, contact the Business Tax Department at 407-665-7636.

CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY-FLORIDA LLC
P O BOX 195788
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WINTER SPRINGS, FL 32708

Changed: 04/29/2022

Mailing Address

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WINTER SPRINGS, FL 32708

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CATHCART, DAVID
1056 WILLA SPRINGS DR
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May 14, 2024

RE: Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC

To Whom It May Concern,

We are pleased to be the surety agents for Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC. Bonds are currently written through United Fire & Casualty Company which is A.M. Best Rated A-, X and has a Treasury Listing of \$ 60,915,000.00.

We have investigated the financial capabilities, performance references, and think you'll be pleased with the quality of their work.

We usually anticipate no difficulties in providing surety bonds for Cathcart Construction Company - Florida, LLC in the \$50,000,000 single, \$100,000,000 aggregate range. This letter is not a commitment to provide any bonds unless all underwriting requirements including contract, bond form and financing review are met prior to issuing any bonds. Neither our agency, nor the surety are liable for any damages relating to this letter or project.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey W. Reich
CPCU
President



Florida Department of Transportation

RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

605 Suwannee Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450

JARED W. PERDUE, P.E.
SECRETARY

February 29, 2024

CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC
1056 WILLA SPRINGS DRIVE
WINTER SPRINGS, FLORIDA 32708

RE: CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION

The Department of Transportation has qualified your company for the type of work indicated below.

FDOT APPROVED WORK CLASSES:

DRAINAGE, FENCING, FLEXIBLE PAVING, GRADING, GRASSING, SEEDING AND SODDING, HOT PLANT-MIXED BITUM. COURSES, MINOR BRIDGES, SIDEWALK, CURB & GUTTER, DITCH PAVEMENT, DRIVEWAYS, LIFT STATIONS, RIP RAP, UNDERGROUND UTILITIES (WATER & SEWER)

Unless notified otherwise, this Certificate of Qualification will expire **6/30/2025**.

In accordance with Section 337.14(4), Florida Statutes, changes to Ability Factor or Maximum Capacity Rating will not take effect until after the expiration of the current certificate of prequalification (if applicable).

In accordance with Section 337.14(1), Florida Statutes, an application for qualification must be filed within (4) months of the ending date of the applicant's audited annual financial statements.

If the company's maximum capacity has been revised, it may be accessed by logging into the Contractor Prequalification Application System via the following link:

[HTTPS://fdotwpl.dot.state.fl.us/ContractorPreQualification](https://fdotwpl.dot.state.fl.us/ContractorPreQualification)

Once logged in, select "View" for the most recently approved application, and then click the "Manage" and "Application Summary" tabs.

The company may apply for a Revised Certificate of Qualification at any time prior to the expiration date of this certificate according to Section 14-22.0041(3), Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), by accessing the most recently approved application as shown above and choosing "Update" instead of "View." If certification in additional classes of work is desired, documentation is needed to show that the company has performed such work.

All prequalified contractors are required by Section 14-22.006(3), F.A.C., to certify their work underway monthly in order to adjust maximum bidding capacity to available bidding capacity. You can find the link to this report at the website shown above.

Sincerely,

James E. Taylor II, Prequalification Supervisor
Contracts Administration Office

JTII

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Registration Status: Active

SAM Expiration Date: 04-17-2025

CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC

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- View Original Registration Date
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- View Physical Address

Matt Blanton

Legal Business Name: CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC

Legal Business Address: 2564 CONNECTION PT

OVEDO, undefined, USA, 32765-9086

Mailing Address: 2564 CONNECTION PT

OVEDO, FL, USA, 32765-9086

DUNS: undefined

UEI: MHVM8ZKK619

CAGE: 740Y3

Status: Active

Purpose Of Registration: All Awards

Electronic Business POC:

Name: Matt Blanton

Address: 2564 Connection Point

Oviedo, FL, USA, 32765-null

Govt. Business POC:

Name: Matt Blanton

Address: 2564 Connection Point

Oviedo, FL, USA, 32765-null

PSC Codes:

237110 - Water and Sewer Line and Related Structures Construction

237310 - Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction

237990 - Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction

Business Types:

2X - For Profit Organization

F - Business or Organization

LJ - Limited Liability Company

3 Reasons to Renew 60 days before SAM Expiration Date:

- Having less than 60 days validity on your SAM Registration will affect considerations of being awarded contracts and/or grants
- Inability to receive awards or payments once your SAM Registration expires
- Annual Renewal process is taking up to 4-6 weeks for revalidation approval

It is highly recommended to Submit SAM Registrations for Renewal AT LEAST 60 DAYS PRIOR TO EXPIRATION.

Ron DeSantis, Governor



Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary



STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR HEREIN IS CERTIFIED UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 489, FLORIDA STATUTES



CATHCART, JOHN THOMAS

CATHCART CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - FLORIDA, LLC
1056 WILLA SPRINGS DRIVE
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LICENSE NUMBER: CGC051005

EXPIRATION DATE: AUGUST 31, 2026

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THE UNDERGROUND UTILITY & EXCAVATION CO HEREIN IS CERTIFIED UNDER THE
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CATHCART, JOHN THOMAS

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Experience

- 1) **Lakeshore Utilities Relocation** – This project was a Utilities relocation project for a trail installation. The Watermain relocation consisted of 1100 LF of open cut 12" PVC, 780 LF of open cut 12" DI, 780 LF of 12" HDPE directional drill, and multiple line stops. The Reclaim Watermain consisted of 4300 LF of open cut 12" DI, 2300 LF of open cut 16" DI, 1800 LF of 16" HDPE directional drill, and multiple line stops.
 - a. TOHO Water Authority – 951 Martin Luther King Blvd Kissimmee, FL 34741
 - b. Contract Amount \$6,162,765.00
 - c. Jay Morris – Vice President – (407) 797-6211 - jmorris@cphcorp.com
 - d. Completion Date Nov 2023

- 2) **Walnut St Force Main** – This project was a Force Main extension with 1980 LF of 14" HDPE directional drill and 2680 LF of 12" PVC open cut. The project utilized 8 gate valves, multiple fittings, and a 12" double line stop bypass to make connections.
 - a. Toho Water Authority – 951 Martin Luther King Blvd Kissimmee, FL 34741
 - b. Contract Amount \$1,159,650.00
 - c. Micah Smart – Engineer II – (407) 483-3851 – Msmart@tohowater.com
 - d. Completion Date June 2023

- 3) **Urick St Force Main Extension** – This Project was a force main upgrade that installed 3240 LF of 8" PVC and 4880 LF of 10" PVC via open cut. There was also 680 LF of 10" HDPE and 2120 LF of 12" HDPE installed via directional drill. 19 ARV we needed with the force main install. The restoration required asphalt roadway, concrete sidewalk, and concrete driveways.
 - a. City of Fruitland Park – 506 W. Berkman Street Fruitland Park, FL 34731
 - b. Contact Amount \$2,608,685.00
 - c. Robb Dicus – Public Works Director – (352) 360-6795 – RDicus@fruitlandpark.org
 - d. Completion Date March 2023

- 4) **Cottonwood Fire Protection Improvements** – This Project was an upgrade to the watermain system by installing 3800 LF of 6" watermain, 56 services, and repairs to the roadway.

- a. City of Leesburg – 501 West Meadow Street, Leesburg FL 34749
 - b. Contract Amount \$528,175.00
 - c. Ryan Gerdon – Administrative Coordinator – (352) 705-0248 - ryan.gerdon@leesburgflorida.gov
 - d. Completion Date March 2023
- 5) **Amanda ST Extension Construction** – This project performed the installation of 2434 LF of 4" water main, 2525 LF of 8" water main, 469 LF of 4" directional drill, 2097 LF of 8" sewer, 475 LF of 8" sewer, 1600 LF of 18" RCP, and 1900 LF of 24" RCP.
- a. City of Altamonte Springs – 225 Newburyport Avenue, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
 - b. Contract Amount \$3,752,212.41
 - c. Trey Sisk – Construction Manager – (407) 571-8572 - tsisk@altamonte.org
 - d. Completion Date September 2022
- 6) **Windward Square Service Line Replacement** – This project was an improvement to the water main system in the Windward Square complex. The upgrades consisted of 240 services with services lines, new meters, and meter boxes. The restoration consisted of over 500 SY of sidewalk replacement, 1000 SY of concrete driveways, and sod as needed.
- a. City of Casselberry – 95 Triplet Lake Drive, Casselberry, FL 32707
 - b. Contract Amount \$1,878,300.00
 - c. Jiovani Charres – Utilities Engineer – (407) 262-7725 ext 1761 - Jcharres@casselberry.org
 - d. Completion Date May 2023

CATEGORY B – LIFT STATION CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION

- 1) **GOAA LS 221 MCO Airport** – This project was a Force Main extension with 1980 LF of 14" HDPE directional drill and 2680 LF of 12" PVC open cut. The project utilized 8 gate valves, multiple fittings, and a 12" double line stop bypass to make connections.
 - a. City of Orlando – 400 S. Orange Avenue – Orlando, FL 32801
 - b. Contract Amount \$135,891.00
 - c. Charlie Conklin – Project Manager – 321-229-0310 – Charlie.Conklin@cityoforlando.net
 - d. Completion Date August 2022
- 2) **Maitland LS 12** – This Project was a force main upgrade that installed 3240 LF of 8" PVC and 4880 LF of 10" PVC via open cut. There was also 680 LF of 10" HDPE and 2120 LF of 12" HDPE installed via directional drill. 19 ARV we needed with the force main install. The restoration required asphalt roadway, concrete sidewalk, and concrete driveways.
 - a. City of Maitland – 1827 Fennell St Maitland, FL 32751
 - b. Contact Amount \$98,500.00
 - c. Karen McCullen – Public Works Director – 407-875-2829 - kmccullen@itsmymaitland.com

d. Completion Date July 2023

- 3) **McCoy Road Facility Improvements** – This project was a new installation of a Lift Station, 2983 LF of 4" PVC Force Main, and 1000 LF of various sizes of waterline.
- a. Central Florida Expressway Authority – 4974 Orl Tower Rd, Orlando, FL 32807
 - b. Contact Amount \$651,254.45
 - c. Chas Star – Engineer – (321) 397-7820 – Cstarr@rkk.com
 - d. Completion Date November 2022
- 4) **Orange City Blue Springs Sewer** – This project was a Force Main extension, new gravity sewers and two new lift stations. We also reconstructed the roadway after finishing the repairs.
- a. City of Orange City – 205 E Graves Avenue – Orange City, FL 32763
 - b. Contact Amount \$3,949,852.12
 - c. Mariluz Diaz – Construction Engineer – (386) 775-5472 – mdiaz@orangecityfl.gov
 - d. Completion Date February 2024

CATEGORY C - WATER AND WASTEWATER PLANTS

- 1) **Orlando Conserv 36-inch Reclaim Water Main Extension** – Installed 2700 LF of 36" RWM and 1100 LF of conduit duck bank.
- a. City of Orlando – 400 S. Orange Avenue – Orlando, FL 32801
 - b. Contact Amount \$1,937,023.72
 - c. Greg Sharp – Construction Manager – (407) 770-9375 – gregory.sharp@cityoforlando.net
 - d. Completion Date December 2022
- 2) **Iron Bridge 36-Inch Valve Replacement** – Scheduled Emergency replacement of 36-inch reclaim water main valve.
- a. City of Orlando – 400 S. Orange Avenue – Orlando, FL 32801
 - b. Contact Amount \$345,198.00
 - c. Peter Holzer – Construction Manager – 407-246-3312 – peter.holzer@cityoforlando.net
 - d. Completion Date November 2023

CATEGORY D – RAWWATER WELLS AND RAW WATERMAINS

- 1) **Lake Arnold Drainage Wells** – Consisted of installing 12-inch drain wells to replace the existing 20-inch drain well and stabilizing the ground around the existing drain well and removing the existing drain well box structure with the exception of the bottom slab.
- a. City of Orlando – 400 S. Orange Avenue – Orlando, FL 32801
 - b. Contract Amount \$599,924.00

c. Charlie Conklin – Project Manager – 321-229-0310 – Charlie.Conklin@cityoforlando.net

2) **Orlando Conserv 36-inch Reclaim Water Main Extension** – Installed 2700 LF of 36" RWM and 1100 LF of conduit duck bank.

a. City of Orlando – 400 S. Orange Avenue – Orlando, FL 32801

b. Contact Amount \$1,937,023.72

c. Greg Sharp – Construction Manager – (407) 770-9375 – gregory.sharp@cityoforlando.net

d. Completion Date December 2022



Company ID Number: 1454842

THE E-VERIFY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR EMPLOYERS

ARTICLE I PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY

The parties to this agreement are the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Cathcart Construction (Employer). The purpose of this agreement is to set forth terms and conditions which the Employer will follow while participating in E-Verify.

E-Verify is a program that electronically confirms an employee's eligibility to work in the United States after completion of Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9). This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) explains certain features of the E-Verify program and describes specific responsibilities of the Employer, the Social Security Administration (SSA), and DHS.

Authority for the E-Verify program is found in Title IV, Subtitle A, of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (IIRIRA), Pub. L. 104-208, 110 Stat. 3009, as amended (8 U.S.C. § 1324a note). The Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 22.18, "Employment Eligibility Verification" and Executive Order 12989, as amended, provide authority for Federal contractors and subcontractors (Federal contractor) to use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of certain employees working on Federal contracts.

ARTICLE II RESPONSIBILITIES

A. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EMPLOYER

1. The Employer agrees to display the following notices supplied by DHS in a prominent place that is clearly visible to prospective employees and all employees who are to be verified through the system:
 - a. Notice of E-Verify Participation
 - b. Notice of Right to Work
2. The Employer agrees to provide to the SSA and DHS the names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of the Employer representatives to be contacted about E-Verify. The Employer also agrees to keep such information current by providing updated information to SSA and DHS whenever the representatives' contact information changes.
3. The Employer agrees to grant E-Verify access only to current employees who need E-Verify access. Employers must promptly terminate an employee's E-Verify access if the employer is separated from the company or no longer needs access to E-Verify.



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4. The Employer agrees to become familiar with and comply with the most recent version of the E-Verify User Manual.
5. The Employer agrees that any Employer Representative who will create E-Verify cases will complete the E-Verify Tutorial before that individual creates any cases.
 - a. The Employer agrees that all Employer representatives will take the refresher tutorials when prompted by E-Verify in order to continue using E-Verify. Failure to complete a refresher tutorial will prevent the Employer Representative from continued use of E-Verify.
6. The Employer agrees to comply with current Form I-9 procedures, with two exceptions:
 - a. If an employee presents a "List B" identity document, the Employer agrees to only accept "List B" documents that contain a photo. (List B documents identified in 8 C.F.R. § 274a.2(b)(1)(B)) can be presented during the Form I-9 process to establish identity.) If an employee objects to the photo requirement for religious reasons, the Employer should contact E-Verify at 888-464-4218.
 - b. If an employee presents a DHS Form I-551 (Permanent Resident Card), Form I-766 (Employment Authorization Document), or U.S. Passport or Passport Card to complete Form I-9, the Employer agrees to make a photocopy of the document and to retain the photocopy with the employee's Form I-9. The Employer will use the photocopy to verify the photo and to assist DHS with its review of photo mismatches that employees contest. DHS may in the future designate other documents that activate the photo screening tool.

Note: Subject only to the exceptions noted previously in this paragraph, employees still retain the right to present any List A, or List B and List C, document(s) to complete the Form I-9.
7. The Employer agrees to record the case verification number on the employee's Form I-9 or to print the screen containing the case verification number and attach it to the employee's Form I-9.
8. The Employer agrees that, although it participates in E-Verify, the Employer has a responsibility to complete, retain, and make available for inspection Forms I-9 that relate to its employees, or from other requirements of applicable regulations or laws, including the obligation to comply with the anti-discrimination requirements of section 274B of the INA with respect to Form I-9 procedures.
 - a. The following modified requirements are the only exceptions to an Employer's obligation to not employ unauthorized workers and comply with the anti-discrimination provision of the INA: (1) List B identity documents must have photos, as described in paragraph 6 above; (2) When an Employer confirms the identity and employment eligibility of newly hired employee using E-Verify procedures, the Employer establishes a rebuttable presumption that it has not violated section 274A(a)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) with respect to the hiring of that employee; (3) If the Employer receives a final nonconfirmation for an employee, but continues to employ that person, the Employer must notify DHS and the Employer is subject to a civil money penalty between \$550 and \$1,100 for each failure to notify DHS of continued employment following a final nonconfirmation; (4) If the Employer continues to employ an employee after receiving a final nonconfirmation, then the Employer is subject to a rebuttable presumption that it has knowingly



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employed an unauthorized alien in violation of section 274A(a)(1)(A); and (5) no E-Verify participant is civilly or criminally liable under any law for any action taken in good faith based on information provided through the E-Verify.

b. DHS reserves the right to conduct Form I-9 compliance inspections, as well as any other enforcement or compliance activity authorized by law, including site visits, to ensure proper use of E-Verify.

9. The Employer is strictly prohibited from creating an E-Verify case before the employee has been hired, meaning that a firm offer of employment was extended and accepted and Form I-9 was completed. The Employer agrees to create an E-Verify case for new employees within three Employer business days after each employee has been hired (after both Sections 1 and 2 of Form I-9 have been completed), and to complete as many steps of the E-Verify process as are necessary according to the E-Verify User Manual. If E-Verify is temporarily unavailable, the three-day time period will be extended until it is again operational in order to accommodate the Employer's attempting, in good faith, to make inquiries during the period of unavailability.

10. The Employer agrees not to use E-Verify for pre-employment screening of job applicants, in support of any unlawful employment practice, or for any other use that this MOU or the E-Verify User Manual does not authorize.

11. The Employer must use E-Verify for all new employees. The Employer will not verify selectively and will not verify employees hired before the effective date of this MOU. Employers who are Federal contractors may qualify for exceptions to this requirement as described in Article II.B of this MOU.

12. The Employer agrees to follow appropriate procedures (see Article III below) regarding tentative nonconfirmations. The Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer agrees to provide written referral instructions to employees and instruct affected employees to bring the English copy of the letter to the SSA. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending. Further, when employees contest a tentative nonconfirmation based upon a photo mismatch, the Employer must take additional steps (see Article III.B. below) to contact DHS with information necessary to resolve the challenge.

13. The Employer agrees not to take any adverse action against an employee based upon the employee's perceived employment eligibility status while SSA or DHS is processing the verification request unless the Employer obtains knowledge (as defined in 8 C.F.R. § 274a.1(l)) that the employee is not work authorized. The Employer understands that an initial inability of the SSA or DHS automated verification system to verify work authorization, a tentative nonconfirmation, a case in continuance (indicating the need for additional time for the government to resolve a case), or the finding of a photo mismatch, does not establish, and should not be interpreted as, evidence that the employee is not work authorized. In any of such cases, the employee must be provided a full and fair opportunity to contest the finding, and if he or she does so, the employee may not be terminated or suffer any adverse employment consequences based upon the employee's perceived employment eligibility status



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(including denying, reducing, or extending work hours, delaying or preventing training, requiring an employee to work in poorer conditions, withholding pay, refusing to assign the employee to a Federal contract or other assignment, or otherwise assuming that he or she is unauthorized to work) until and unless secondary verification by SSA or DHS has been completed and a final nonconfirmation has been issued. If the employee does not choose to contest a tentative nonconfirmation or a photo mismatch or if a secondary verification is completed and a final nonconfirmation is issued, then the Employer can find the employee is not work authorized and terminate the employee's employment. Employers or employees with questions about a final nonconfirmation may call E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218 (customer service) or 1-888-897-7781 (worker hotline).

14. The Employer agrees to comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and section 274B of the INA as applicable by not discriminating unlawfully against any individual in hiring, firing, employment eligibility verification, or recruitment or referral practices because of his or her national origin or citizenship status, or by committing discriminatory documentary practices. The Employer understands that such illegal practices can include selective verification or use of E-Verify except as provided in part D below, or discharging or refusing to hire employees because they appear or sound "foreign" or have received tentative nonconfirmations. The Employer further understands that any violation of the immigration-related unfair employment practices provisions in section 274B of the INA could subject the Employer to civil penalties, back pay awards, and other sanctions, and violations of Title VII could subject the Employer to back pay awards, compensatory and punitive damages. Violations of either section 274B of the INA or Title VII may also lead to the termination of its participation in E-Verify. If the Employer has any questions relating to the anti-discrimination provision, it should contact OSC at 1-800-255-8155 or 1-800-237-2515 (TDD).

15. The Employer agrees that it will use the information it receives from E-Verify only to confirm the employment eligibility of employees as authorized by this MOU. The Employer agrees that it will safeguard this information, and means of access to it (such as PINS and passwords), to ensure that it is not used for any other purpose and as necessary to protect its confidentiality, including ensuring that it is not disseminated to any person other than employees of the Employer who are authorized to perform the Employer's responsibilities under this MOU, except for such dissemination as may be authorized in advance by SSA or DHS for legitimate purposes.

16. The Employer agrees to notify DHS immediately in the event of a breach of personal information. Breaches are defined as loss of control or unauthorized access to E-Verify personal data. All suspected or confirmed breaches should be reported by calling 1-888-464-4218 or via email at E-Verify@uscis.dhs.gov. Please use "Privacy Incident – Password" in the subject line of your email when sending a breach report to E-Verify.

17. The Employer acknowledges that the information it receives from SSA is governed by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a(i)(1) and (3)) and the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)). Any person who obtains this information under false pretenses or uses it for any purpose other than as provided for in this MOU may be subject to criminal penalties.

18. The Employer agrees to cooperate with DHS and SSA in their compliance monitoring and evaluation of E-Verify, which includes permitting DHS, SSA, their contractors and other agents, upon



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reasonable notice, to review Forms I-9 and other employment records and to interview it and its employees regarding the Employer's use of E-Verify, and to respond in a prompt and accurate manner to DHS requests for information relating to their participation in E-Verify.

19. The Employer shall not make any false or unauthorized claims or references about its participation in E-Verify on its website, in advertising materials, or other media. The Employer shall not describe its services as federally-approved, federally-certified, or federally-recognized, or use language with a similar intent on its website or other materials provided to the public. Entering into this MOU does not mean that E-Verify endorses or authorizes your E-Verify services and any claim to that effect is false.

20. The Employer shall not state in its website or other public documents that any language used therein has been provided or approved by DHS, USCIS or the Verification Division, without first obtaining the prior written consent of DHS.

21. The Employer agrees that [E-Verify trademarks](#) and logos may be used only under license by DHS/USCIS (see [M-795 \(Web\)](#)) and, other than pursuant to the specific terms of such license, may not be used in any manner that might imply that the Employer's services, products, websites, or publications are sponsored by, endorsed by, licensed by, or affiliated with DHS, USCIS, or E-Verify.

22. The Employer understands that if it uses E-Verify procedures for any purpose other than as authorized by this MOU, the Employer may be subject to appropriate legal action and termination of its participation in E-Verify according to this MOU.

B. RESPONSIBILITIES OF FEDERAL CONTRACTORS

1. If the Employer is a Federal contractor with the FAR E-Verify clause subject to the employment verification terms in Subpart 22.18 of the FAR, it will become familiar with and comply with the most current version of the E-Verify User Manual for Federal Contractors as well as the E-Verify Supplemental Guide for Federal Contractors.

2. In addition to the responsibilities of every employer outlined in this MOU, the Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor subject to the employment verification terms in Subpart 22.18 of the FAR it must verify the employment eligibility of any "employee assigned to the contract" (as defined in FAR 22.1801). Once an employee has been verified through E-Verify by the Employer, the Employer may not create a second case for the employee through E-Verify.

a. An Employer that is not enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor at the time of a contract award must enroll as a Federal contractor in the E-Verify program within 30 calendar days of contract award and, within 90 days of enrollment, begin to verify employment eligibility of new hires using E-Verify. The Employer must verify those employees who are working in the United States, whether or not they are assigned to the contract. Once the Employer begins verifying new hires, such verification of new hires must be initiated within three business days after the hire date. Once enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor, the Employer must begin verification of employees assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after the date of enrollment or within 30 days of an employee's assignment to the contract, whichever date is later.



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b. Employers enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor for 90 days or more at the time of a contract award must use E-Verify to begin verification of employment eligibility for new hires of the Employer who are working in the United States, whether or not assigned to the contract, within three business days after the date of hire. If the Employer is enrolled in E-Verify as a Federal contractor for 90 calendar days or less at the time of contract award, the Employer must, within 90 days of enrollment, begin to use E-Verify to initiate verification of new hires of the contractor who are working in the United States, whether or not assigned to the contract. Such verification of new hires must be initiated within three business days after the date of hire. An Employer enrolled as a Federal contractor in E-Verify must begin verification of each employee assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after date of contract award or within 30 days after assignment to the contract, whichever is later.

c. Federal contractors that are institutions of higher education (as defined at 20 U.S.C. 1001(a)), state or local governments, governments of Federally recognized Indian tribes, or sureties performing under a takeover agreement entered into with a Federal agency under a performance bond may choose to only verify new and existing employees assigned to the Federal contract. Such Federal contractors may, however, elect to verify all new hires, and/or all existing employees hired after November 6, 1986. Employers in this category must begin verification of employees assigned to the contract within 90 calendar days after the date of enrollment or within 30 days of an employee's assignment to the contract, whichever date is later.

d. Upon enrollment, Employers who are Federal contractors may elect to verify employment eligibility of all existing employees working in the United States who were hired after November 6, 1986, instead of verifying only those employees assigned to a covered Federal contract. After enrollment, Employers must elect to verify existing staff following DHS procedures and begin

E-Verify verification of all existing employees within 180 days after the election.

e. The Employer may use a previously completed Form I-9 as the basis for creating an E-Verify case for an employee assigned to a contract as long as:

- i. That Form I-9 is complete (including the SSN) and complies with Article II.A.6,
- ii. The employee's work authorization has not expired, and
- iii. The Employer has reviewed the Form I-9 information either in person or in communications with the employee to ensure that the employee's Section 1, Form I-9 attestation has not changed (including, but not limited to, a lawful permanent resident alien having become a naturalized U.S. citizen).

f. The Employer shall complete a new Form I-9 consistent with Article II.A.6 or update the previous Form I-9 to provide the necessary information if:

- i. The Employer cannot determine that Form I-9 complies with Article II.A.6,
- ii. The employee's basis for work authorization as attested in Section 1 has expired or changed, or
- iii. The Form I-9 contains no SSN or is otherwise incomplete.

Note: If Section 1 of Form I-9 is otherwise valid and up-to-date and the form otherwise complies with



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Article II.C.5, but reflects documentation (such as a U.S. passport or Form I-551) that expired after completing Form I-9, the Employer shall not require the production of additional documentation, or use the photo screening tool described in Article II.A.5, subject to any additional or superseding instructions that may be provided on this subject in the E-Verify User Manual.

g. The Employer agrees not to require a second verification using E-Verify of any assigned employee who has previously been verified as a newly hired employee under this MOU or to authorize verification of any existing employee by any Employer that is not a Federal contractor based on this Article.

3. The Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor, its compliance with this MOU is a performance requirement under the terms of the Federal contract or subcontract, and the Employer consents to the release of information relating to compliance with its verification responsibilities under this MOU to contracting officers or other officials authorized to review the Employer's compliance with Federal contracting requirements.

C. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SSA

1. SSA agrees to allow DHS to compare data provided by the Employer against SSA's database. SSA sends DHS confirmation that the data sent either matches or does not match the information in SSA's database.

2. SSA agrees to safeguard the information the Employer provides through E-Verify procedures. SSA also agrees to limit access to such information, as is appropriate by law, to individuals responsible for the verification of Social Security numbers or responsible for evaluation of E-Verify or such other persons or entities who may be authorized by SSA as governed by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a), the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1306(a)), and SSA regulations (20 CFR Part 401).

3. SSA agrees to provide case results from its database within three Federal Government work days of the initial inquiry. E-Verify provides the information to the Employer.

4. SSA agrees to update SSA records as necessary if the employee who contests the SSA tentative nonconfirmation visits an SSA field office and provides the required evidence. If the employee visits an SSA field office within the eight Federal Government work days from the date of referral to SSA, SSA agrees to update SSA records, if appropriate, within the eight-day period unless SSA determines that more than eight days may be necessary. In such cases, SSA will provide additional instructions to the employee. If the employee does not visit SSA in the time allowed, E-Verify may provide a final nonconfirmation to the employer.

Note: If an Employer experiences technical problems, or has a policy question, the employer should contact E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218.

D. RESPONSIBILITIES OF DHS

1. DHS agrees to provide the Employer with selected data from DHS databases to enable the Employer to conduct, to the extent authorized by this MOU:

a. Automated verification checks on alien employees by electronic means, and



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- b. Photo verification checks (when available) on employees.
2. DHS agrees to assist the Employer with operational problems associated with the Employer's participation in E-Verify. DHS agrees to provide the Employer names, titles, addresses, and telephone numbers of DHS representatives to be contacted during the E-Verify process.
 3. DHS agrees to provide to the Employer with access to E-Verify training materials as well as an E-Verify User Manual that contain instructions on E-Verify policies, procedures, and requirements for both SSA and DHS, including restrictions on the use of E-Verify.
 4. DHS agrees to train Employers on all important changes made to E-Verify through the use of mandatory refresher tutorials and updates to the E-Verify User Manual. Even without changes to E-Verify, DHS reserves the right to require employers to take mandatory refresher tutorials.
 5. DHS agrees to provide to the Employer a notice, which indicates the Employer's participation in E-Verify. DHS also agrees to provide to the Employer anti-discrimination notices issued by the Office of Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices (OSC), Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice.
 6. DHS agrees to issue each of the Employer's E-Verify users a unique user identification number and password that permits them to log in to E-Verify.
 7. DHS agrees to safeguard the information the Employer provides, and to limit access to such information to individuals responsible for the verification process, for evaluation of E-Verify, or to such other persons or entities as may be authorized by applicable law. Information will be used only to verify the accuracy of Social Security numbers and employment eligibility, to enforce the INA and Federal criminal laws, and to administer Federal contracting requirements.
 8. DHS agrees to provide a means of automated verification that provides (in conjunction with SSA verification procedures) confirmation or tentative nonconfirmation of employees' employment eligibility within three Federal Government work days of the initial inquiry.
 9. DHS agrees to provide a means of secondary verification (including updating DHS records) for employees who contest DHS tentative nonconfirmations and photo mismatch tentative nonconfirmations. This provides final confirmation or nonconfirmation of the employees' employment eligibility within 10 Federal Government work days of the date of referral to DHS, unless DHS determines that more than 10 days may be necessary. In such cases, DHS will provide additional verification instructions.

ARTICLE III REFERRAL OF INDIVIDUALS TO SSA AND DHS

A. REFERRAL TO SSA

1. If the Employer receives a tentative nonconfirmation issued by SSA, the Employer must print the notice as directed by E-Verify. The Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case.



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The Employer also agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer agrees to provide written referral instructions to employees and instruct affected employees to bring the English copy of the letter to the SSA. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending.

2. The Employer agrees to obtain the employee's response about whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation as soon as possible after the Employer receives the tentative nonconfirmation. Only the employee may determine whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation.
3. After a tentative nonconfirmation, the Employer will refer employees to SSA field offices only as directed by E-Verify. The Employer must record the case verification number, review the employee information submitted to E-Verify to identify any errors, and find out whether the employee contests the tentative nonconfirmation. The Employer will transmit the Social Security number, or any other corrected employee information that SSA requests, to SSA for verification again if this review indicates a need to do so.
4. The Employer will instruct the employee to visit an SSA office within eight Federal Government work days. SSA will electronically transmit the result of the referral to the Employer within 10 Federal Government work days of the referral unless it determines that more than 10 days is necessary.
5. While waiting for case results, the Employer agrees to check the E-Verify system regularly for case updates.
6. The Employer agrees not to ask the employee to obtain a printout from the Social Security Administration number database (the Numident) or other written verification of the SSN from the SSA.

B. REFERRAL TO DHS

1. If the Employer receives a tentative nonconfirmation issued by DHS, the Employer must promptly notify employees in private of the finding and provide them with the notice and letter containing information specific to the employee's E-Verify case. The Employer also agrees to provide both the English and the translated notice and letter for employees with limited English proficiency to employees. The Employer must allow employees to contest the finding, and not take adverse action against employees if they choose to contest the finding, while their case is still pending.
2. The Employer agrees to obtain the employee's response about whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation as soon as possible after the Employer receives the tentative nonconfirmation. Only the employee may determine whether he or she will contest the tentative nonconfirmation.
3. The Employer agrees to refer individuals to DHS only when the employee chooses to contest a tentative nonconfirmation.
4. If the employee contests a tentative nonconfirmation issued by DHS, the Employer will instruct the



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employee to contact DHS through its toll-free hotline (as found on the referral letter) within eight Federal Government work days.

5. If the Employer finds a photo mismatch, the Employer must provide the photo mismatch tentative nonconfirmation notice and follow the instructions outlined in paragraph 1 of this section for tentative nonconfirmations, generally.
6. The Employer agrees that if an employee contests a tentative nonconfirmation based upon a photo mismatch, the Employer will send a copy of the employee's Form I-551, Form I-766, U.S. Passport, or passport card to DHS for review by:
 - a. Scanning and uploading the document, or
 - b. Sending a photocopy of the document by express mail (furnished and paid for by the employer).
7. The Employer understands that if it cannot determine whether there is a photo match/mismatch, the Employer must forward the employee's documentation to DHS as described in the preceding paragraph. The Employer agrees to resolve the case as specified by the DHS representative who will determine the photo match or mismatch.
8. DHS will electronically transmit the result of the referral to the Employer within 10 Federal Government work days of the referral unless it determines that more than 10 days is necessary.
9. While waiting for case results, the Employer agrees to check the E-Verify system regularly for case updates.

ARTICLE IV SERVICE PROVISIONS

A. NO SERVICE FEES

1. SSA and DHS will not charge the Employer for verification services performed under this MOU. The Employer is responsible for providing equipment needed to make inquiries. To access E-Verify, an Employer will need a personal computer with Internet access.

ARTICLE V MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

A. MODIFICATION

1. This MOU is effective upon the signature of all parties and shall continue in effect for as long as the SSA and DHS operates the E-Verify program unless modified in writing by the mutual consent of all parties.
2. Any and all E-Verify system enhancements by DHS or SSA, including but not limited to E-Verify checking against additional data sources and instituting new verification policies or procedures, will be covered under this MOU and will not cause the need for a supplemental MOU that outlines these changes.



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B. TERMINATION

1. The Employer may terminate this MOU and its participation in E-Verify at any time upon 30 days prior written notice to the other parties.
2. Notwithstanding Article V, part A of this MOU, DHS may terminate this MOU, and thereby the Employer's participation in E-Verify, with or without notice at any time if deemed necessary because of the requirements of law or policy, or upon a determination by SSA or DHS that there has been a breach of system integrity or security by the Employer, or a failure on the part of the Employer to comply with established E-Verify procedures and/or legal requirements. The Employer understands that if it is a Federal contractor, termination of this MOU by any party for any reason may negatively affect the performance of its contractual responsibilities. Similarly, the Employer understands that if it is in a state where E-Verify is mandatory, termination of this by any party MOU may negatively affect the Employer's business.
3. An Employer that is a Federal contractor may terminate this MOU when the Federal contract that requires its participation in E-Verify is terminated or completed. In such cases, the Federal contractor must provide written notice to DHS. If an Employer that is a Federal contractor fails to provide such notice, then that Employer will remain an E-Verify participant, will remain bound by the terms of this MOU that apply to non-Federal contractor participants, and will be required to use the E-Verify procedures to verify the employment eligibility of all newly hired employees.
4. The Employer agrees that E-Verify is not liable for any losses, financial or otherwise, if the Employer is terminated from E-Verify.

ARTICLE VI PARTIES

- A. Some or all SSA and DHS responsibilities under this MOU may be performed by contractor(s), and SSA and DHS may adjust verification responsibilities between each other as necessary. By separate agreement with DHS, SSA has agreed to perform its responsibilities as described in this MOU.
- B. Nothing in this MOU is intended, or should be construed, to create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law by any third party against the United States, its agencies, officers, or employees, or against the Employer, its agents, officers, or employees.
- C. The Employer may not assign, directly or indirectly, whether by operation of law, change of control or merger, all or any part of its rights or obligations under this MOU without the prior written consent of DHS, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. Any attempt to sublicense, assign, or transfer any of the rights, duties, or obligations herein is void.
- D. Each party shall be solely responsible for defending any claim or action against it arising out of or related to E-Verify or this MOU, whether civil or criminal, and for any liability wherefrom, including (but not limited to) any dispute between the Employer and any other person or entity regarding the applicability of Section 403(d) of IIRIRA to any action taken or allegedly taken by the Employer.



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E. The Employer understands that its participation in E-Verify is not confidential information and may be disclosed as authorized or required by law and DHS or SSA policy, including but not limited to, Congressional oversight, E-Verify publicity and media inquiries, determinations of compliance with Federal contractual requirements, and responses to inquiries under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA).

F. The individuals whose signatures appear below represent that they are authorized to enter into this MOU on behalf of the Employer and DHS respectively. The Employer understands that any inaccurate statement, representation, data or other information provided to DHS may subject the Employer, its subcontractors, its employees, or its representatives to: (1) prosecution for false statements pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 1001 and/or; (2) immediate termination of its MOU and/or; (3) possible debarment or suspension.

G. The foregoing constitutes the full agreement on this subject between DHS and the Employer.

To be accepted as an E-Verify participant, you should only sign the Employer's Section of the signature page. If you have any questions, contact E-Verify at 1-888-464-4218.



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Approved by:

Employer Cathcart Construction Company - Florida	
Name (Please Type or Print) Matthew Blanton	Title
Signature Electronically Signed	Date 09/30/2019
Department of Homeland Security – Verification Division	
Name (Please Type or Print) USCIS Verification Division	Title
Signature Electronically Signed	Date 09/30/2019



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Information Required for the E-Verify Program	
Information relating to your Company:	
Company Name	Cathcart Construction Company - Florida
Company Facility Address	2564 Connection Point Oviedo, FL 32765
Company Alternate Address	
County or Parish	SEMINOLE
Employer Identification Number	464740152
North American Industry Classification Systems Code	237
Parent Company	Cathcart Construction Company - Florida
Number of Employees	100 to 499
Number of Sites Verified for	1 site(s)



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Are you verifying for more than 1 site? If yes, please provide the number of sites verified for in each State:

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