

POLK COUNTY LAND DEVELOPMENT
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WARRANTY INSPECTION FORM

Subdivision Name: Strickland Brothers at US Hwy 27 & Student Drive – LDSUR-2024-24

Road Name:

Engineering Firm / Engineer of Record: Ryan T. Fallin, P.E. – AVID Group, Inc.
Contractor:

Roadway Items

Condition / Remarks

A. Asphalt

B. Shoulders:

C. Curbs:

D. Inlets:

E. Mitered Ends:

F. Swales:

G. Sidewalks:

H. Landscaping:

Drainage Items

Condition / Remarks

A. Retention Ponds:

B. Drainage
C. Perimeter Swales:

Utility Items:

Condition / Remarks

A. Amount Security: \$11,068.83

B. Potable Water: Based on field inspections it appears the potable water system is functioning per design. No deficiencies identified

C. Wastewater System:

Inspector: Tim Bearden

Date: 02/19/2026

COMMERCIAL MAINTENANCE BOND

Bond No. FL616202

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, RDP 20, LLC, as Principal, and Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual), a corporation organized and doing business under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Florida and duly licensed to conduct surety business in the State of Florida, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, as Obligee, in the sum of Eleven Thousand Sixty Eight and 83/100 (\$ 11,068.83--) Dollars, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and successors, jointly and severally firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, Polk County’s Land Development Code (hereinafter “LDC”) is by reference incorporated into and made part of this Maintenance Bond (hereinafter “Bond”); and

WHEREAS, the Principal has constructed the improvements described in the Engineer’s Cost Estimate, attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated into and made part of this Bond (hereinafter “Improvements”), in accordance with the drawings, plans, specifications, and other data and information (hereinafter “Plans”) for the Strickland Brothers at US Hwy 27 & Student Dr as filed with Polk County’s Land Development Division, which Plans are by reference incorporated into and made part of this Bond; and

WHEREAS, the Principal wishes to dedicate the Improvements to the public; and

WHEREAS, the LDC requires as a condition of acceptance of the Improvements that the Principal provide to the Obligee a bond warranting the Improvements for a definite period of time following the Obligee’s final acceptance of said Improvements; and

WHEREAS, this Bond shall commence upon the date of the Obligee’s acceptance of the Improvements (the “Bond Commencement Date”).

NOW, THEREFORE, the conditions of this Bond are such that:

- 1. If the Principal shall warrant and indemnify for a period of eighteen (18) ^{months} ~~years~~ following the Bond Commencement Date (the “Warranty Period”) against all loss that Obligee may sustain resulting from defects in construction, design, workmanship and materials (the “Defect”); and
- 2. If the Principal shall correct all Defects to the Improvements that are discovered during the Warranty Period;

Then upon approval by the Obligee this Bond shall be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

3. The Oblige, its authorized agent or officer, shall notify the Principal and Surety in writing of any Defect and shall specify in the notice a reasonable period of time for the Principal to correct the Defect. The Surety unconditionally covenants and agrees that if the Principal fails to correct the Defect within the time specified, the Surety shall forthwith correct the Defect and pay the cost thereof, including without limitation, engineering, legal, and contingent costs.
4. Should the Surety fail or refuse to perform any of its obligations pursuant to this Bond, the Oblige shall have the right to resort to any and all legal remedies against the Principal and Surety, or either, both at law and in equity including specific performance, to which the Principal and Surety unconditionally agree. In such case, the Obligors agree to pay all costs incurred by the Oblige, including attorney's fees and costs, and venue shall be in the courts of Polk County, Florida or in the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, located in Hillsborough County, Florida.
5. All notices, demands, and correspondence with respect to this Bond shall be in writing and deemed effective on the date of certified mailing addressed to the following, notwithstanding any changes to the addresses listed below:

The Surety at:

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)
6700 Westown Parkway
West Des Moines, IA 50266

The Principal at:

RDP 20, LLC
140 E Morse Blvd #J
Winter Park, FL 32789

The Oblige at:

Polk County, Land Development Division
330 West Church Street
PO Box 9005 – Drawer GM03
Bartow, FL 33831-9005

This Bond commences on the Bond Commencement Date and shall remain in full force and effect until the correction of all Defects for which timely notice has been provided to the Principal and Surety, even if the time required to correct such Defect exceeds the Warranty Period. This Bond shall be released by the Oblige if all the Conditions of this Bond remain satisfied at the end of the Warranty Period.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Principal and Surety have caused this Bond to be executed by their duly authorized officers this 26th day of July, 2024.

Logan Gierke
Witness

Logan Gierke
Printed Name

Jennifer C. Gierke
Witness

Jennifer C. Gierke
Printed Name

Kara Ruckert
Witness

Kara Ruckert
Printed Name

Colleen Bailey
Witness

Colleen Bailey
Printed Name

PRINCIPAL:

RDP 20, LLC
Name of Corporation

By: Robert T. Gierke

Robert T. Gierke
Printed Name

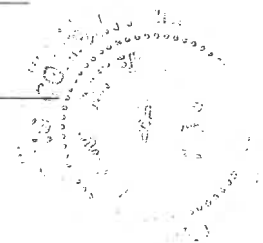
Title: Manager
(SEAL)

SURETY:

Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual)
Name of Corporation

By: Tyler D DeBord

Tyler D DeBord
Printed Name
Title: Attorney-in-Fact
(SEAL)



(Attach power of attorney)

MERCHANTS
BONDING COMPANY™
POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know All Persons By These Presents, that MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., both being corporations of the State of Iowa, d/b/a Merchants National Indemnity Company (in California only) (herein collectively called the "Companies") do hereby make, constitute and appoint, individually,

Pamela J Thompson; Steve P Farmer; Tyler D DeBord

their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to sign its name as surety(ies) and to execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, undertakings, contracts and other written instruments in the nature thereof, on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

This Power-of-Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following By-Laws adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants Bonding Company (Mutual) on April 23, 2011 and amended August 14, 2015 and adopted by the Board of Directors of Merchants National Bonding, Inc., on October 16, 2015.

"The President, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Treasurer or any Assistant Secretary or any Vice President shall have power and authority to appoint Attorneys-in-Fact, and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof."

"The signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile or electronic transmission to any Power of Attorney or Certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the Company, and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually fixed."

In connection with obligations in favor of the Florida Department of Transportation only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact includes any and all consents for the release of retained percentages and/or final estimates on engineering and construction contracts required by the State of Florida Department of Transportation. It is fully understood that consenting to the State of Florida Department of Transportation making payment of the final estimate to the Contractor and/or its assignee, shall not relieve this surety company of any of its obligations under its bond.

In connection with obligations in favor of the Kentucky Department of Highways only, it is agreed that the power and authority hereby given to the Attorney-in-Fact cannot be modified or revoked unless prior written personal notice of such intent has been given to the Commissioner-Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky at least thirty (30) days prior to the modification or revocation.

In Witness Whereof, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed and sealed this 8th day of December, 2022.



MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL)
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.
d/b/a MERCHANTS NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

By

Larry Taylor
President

STATE OF IOWA
COUNTY OF DALLAS ss.

On this 8th day of December 2022, before me appeared Larry Taylor, to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn did say that he is President of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC.; and that the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument are the Corporate Seals of the Companies; and that the said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of the Companies by authority of their respective Boards of Directors.



Kim Lee
Notary Public

(Expiration of notary's commission does not invalidate this instrument)

I, William Warner, Jr., Secretary of MERCHANTS BONDING COMPANY (MUTUAL) and MERCHANTS NATIONAL BONDING, INC., do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the POWER-OF-ATTORNEY executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect and has not been amended or revoked.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Companies on this 26th day of July, 2024.



William Warner Jr.
Secretary