### Attachment 2

Master Services Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor by and between the County of Santa Barbara and {ENTER CONTRACTOR}

**THIS AGREEMENT** ("Agreement') is made by and between the County of Santa Barbara, a political subdivision of the State of California ("COUNTY") and {ENTER BUSINESS} with an address at {ENTER ADDRESS} ("CONTRACTOR" and together with COUNTY, collectively, the "Parties" and each a "Party").

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR represents that it is specially trained, skilled, experienced, and competent to perform the special services required by COUNTY and is willing to perform such services, and COUNTY desires to retain the services of CONTRACTOR pursuant to the terms, covenants, and conditions herein set forth;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

### 1. DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE

{ENTER REPRESENTATIVE'S NAME} at phone number {ENTER PHONE NUMBER} is the representative of COUNTY and will administer this Agreement for and on behalf of COUNTY. {ENTER CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIVE} at phone number {ENTER PHONE NUMBER} is the authorized representative for CONTRACTOR. Changes to a Party's designated representative shall be made only after advance written notice to the other Party.

### 2. NOTICES

All notices, claims, waivers, consents and other communications required or permitted to be given under this Agreement (each "Notice") shall be in writing and addressed to the receiving Party at its address set forth below (or to such other address that such receiving Party may designate from time to time in accordance with this Section), by personal delivery, facsimile, by first class mail via the United States Postal Service ("USPS"), registered or certified mail, or nationally recognized overnight courier service (in each case, return receipt requested, postage prepaid):

To COUNTY: {ENTER NAME, BUSINESS, ADDRESS, STATE, ZIP, FAX NUMBER}
To CONTRACTOR: {ENTER NAME, BUSINESS, ADDRESS, STATE, ZIP, FAX NUMBER}

If sent by first class mail, Notices shall be deemed to be received five (5) days following their deposit in the USPS mail. This Notices section shall not be construed as meaning that either Party agrees to service of process except as required by applicable law.

### 3. SCOPE OF SERVICES

CONTRACTOR shall provide to COUNTY the services (the "Services") set out in statements of work to be issued by COUNTY and accepted by CONTRACTOR (each, a "Statement of Work"). The initial accepted Statements of Work are attached hereto as Exhibits A-1 through A- x{ENTER number of attached departmental SOWs} and incorporated herein by reference. Additional Statements of Work substantially in the same form as the Statements of Work attached hereto shall be deemed accepted and incorporated into this Agreement only if signed by each Party's duly authorized designated representative.

#### 4. TERM

The term of this Agreement ("Term") shall commence on the Effective Date (defined below) and shall terminate upon completion of the Services under all Statements of Work, but no later than {ENTER DATE} unless otherwise directed by COUNTY or unless earlier terminated in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

### 5. COMPENSATION OF CONTRACTOR

In full consideration for CONTRACTOR's services, CONTRACTOR shall be paid for performance of the Services under this Agreement in accordance with the terms of EXHIBIT B, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Billing shall be made by invoice, which shall include the contract number assigned by COUNTY, delivered to COUNTY at the address for Notices to COUNTY set forth in Section 2, above, following completion of the increments identified on EXHIBIT B. Unless otherwise specified on EXHIBIT B, payment shall be net thirty (30) days from delivery of invoice.

### 6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

It is mutually understood and agreed that CONTRACTOR (including any and all of its officers, agents, and employees) shall perform all of the Services under this Agreement as an independent contractor as to COUNTY, and not as an officer, agent, servant, employee, joint venturer, partner, or associate of COUNTY. Furthermore, COUNTY shall have no right to control, supervise, or direct the manner or method by which CONTRACTOR shall perform its work and function. However, COUNTY shall retain the right to administer this Agreement so as to verify that CONTRACTOR is performing its obligations hereunder in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. CONTRACTOR understands and acknowledges that it shall not be entitled to any of the benefits of a COUNTY employee, including, but not limited to, vacation, sick leave, administrative leave, health insurance, disability insurance, retirement, unemployment insurance, workers' compensation and protection of tenure. CONTRACTOR shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally-required employee benefits. In addition, CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible and save COUNTY harmless from all matters relating to payment of CONTRACTOR's employees, including compliance with Social Security withholding and all other regulations governing such matters. It is acknowledged that during the Term of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR may be providing services to others unrelated to the COUNTY or to this Agreement. CONTRACTOR has no authority to commit, act for or on behalf of COUNTY, or to bind COUNTY to any obligation or liability.

### 7. STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE

CONTRACTOR certifies that it has the skills, expertise, and all licenses and permits necessary to perform the Services. Accordingly, CONTRACTOR shall perform all such Services in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the same profession in which CONTRACTOR is engaged. All products of whatsoever nature, which CONTRACTOR delivers to COUNTY pursuant to this Agreement, shall be prepared in a first class and workmanlike manner, and shall conform to the highest standards of quality observed by professionals practicing in CONTRACTOR's profession. CONTRACTOR shall correct any errors or omissions in the performance of the Services, at COUNTY'S request without additional compensation. CONTRACTOR has and shall, at CONTRACTOR's sole cost and expense, all times during the Term, maintain in effect all permits, licenses, permissions, authorizations, and consents required by applicable law or otherwise necessary to carry out CONTRACTOR's obligations under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR is in compliance with and shall at all times during the Term comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and ordinances.

### 8. **DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

CONTRACTOR certifies to COUNTY that none of it or its employees or principals are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for, participation in federal, state, or county government contracts. CONTRACTOR certifies that it shall not contract with a subcontractor that is so debarred or suspended.

### 9. **TAXES**

CONTRACTOR shall pay all taxes, levies, duties, and assessments of every nature due in connection with any work under this Agreement, and shall make any and all payroll deductions required by law. CONTRACTOR is responsible for all CONTRACTOR personnel and for the payment of their compensation, including, if applicable, (Co of SB EX A 1-10-2023)

withholding of income taxes, and the payment and withholding of social security and other payroll taxes, unemployment insurance, workers' compensation insurance payments, and disability benefits. In no event shall COUNTY pay or be responsible for any taxes imposed on, or with respect to, CONTRACTOR's income, revenues, gross receipts, personnel, real or personal property, or other assets. COUNTY shall not be responsible for paying any taxes on CONTRACTOR's behalf, and should COUNTY be required to do so by state, federal, or local taxing agencies, CONTRACTOR agrees to promptly reimburse COUNTY for the full value of such paid taxes plus interest and penalty, if any. These taxes shall include, but not be limited to, the following: FICA (Social Security), unemployment insurance contributions, income tax, disability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance.

### 10. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

CONTRACTOR covenants that CONTRACTOR presently has no employment or interest and shall not acquire any employment or interest, direct or indirect, including any interest in any business, property, or source of income, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required to be performed under this Agreement. CONTRACTOR further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed by CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR must promptly disclose to COUNTY, in writing, any potential conflict of interest. COUNTY retains the right to waive a conflict of interest disclosed by CONTRACTOR in COUNTY determines it to be immaterial, and such waiver is only effective if provided by COUNTY to CONTRACTOR in writing.

### 11. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

COUNTY shall be the owner of the following items incidental to this Agreement upon production, whether or not completed: all data collected, all documents of any type whatsoever, all photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials, and any material necessary for the practical use of such items, from the time of collection and/or production whether or not performance under this Agreement is completed or terminated prior to completion. CONTRACTOR shall not release any of such items to other parties except after prior written approval of COUNTY.

Unless otherwise specified in Exhibit A, CONTRACTOR hereby assigns to COUNTY all copyright, patent, and other intellectual property and proprietary rights to all data, documents, reports, photos, designs, sound or audiovisual recordings, software code, inventions, technologies, and other materials prepared or provided by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement (collectively referred to as "Copyrightable Works and Inventions"). COUNTY shall have the unrestricted authority to copy, adapt, perform, display, publish, disclose, distribute, create derivative works from, and otherwise use in whole or in part, any Copyrightable Works and Inventions. CONTRACTOR agrees to take such actions and execute and deliver such documents as may be needed to validate, protect and confirm the rights and assignments provided hereunder. CONTRACTOR warrants that any Copyrightable Works and Inventions and other items provided under this Agreement will not infringe upon any intellectual property or proprietary rights of any third party. CONTRACTOR at its own expense shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless COUNTY against any claim that any Copyrightable Works or Inventions or other items provided by CONTRACTOR hereunder infringe upon intellectual or other proprietary rights of a third party, and CONTRACTOR shall pay any damages, costs, settlement amounts, and fees (including attorneys' fees) that may be incurred by COUNTY in connection with any such claims. This Ownership of Documents and Intellectual Property provision shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement.

### 12. NO PUBLICITY OR ENDORSEMENT

CONTRACTOR shall not use COUNTY's name or logo or any variation of such name or logo in any publicity, advertising or promotional materials. CONTRACTOR shall not use COUNTY's name or logo in any manner that would give the appearance that the COUNTY is endorsing CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR shall not in any way contract on

behalf of or in the name of COUNTY. CONTRACTOR shall not release any informational pamphlets, notices, press releases, research reports, or similar public notices concerning the COUNTY or its projects, without obtaining the prior written approval of COUNTY in each instance.

### 13. COUNTY PROPERTY AND INFORMATION

All of COUNTY's property, documents, information, and data provided to or accessed by or on behalf of CONTRACTOR in connection with the Services, including, without limitation, all data collected, used, maintained, processed, stored, or generated by or on behalf of COUNTY in connection with this Agreement ("COUNTY Property") and any derivative works of the COUNTY Property shall remain COUNTY's property, and CONTRACTOR shall return or delete COUNTY Property whenever requested by COUNTY, and whenever required in accordance with Section 19 of this Agreement. CONTRACTOR may use COUNTY Property solely for the purpose of, and only to the extent necessary for, CONTRACTOR's provision of the Services hereunder. CONTRACTOR shall not disclose, disseminate, publish, or transfer to any third party, any COUNTY Property without COUNTY's prior written consent.

### 14. RECORDS, AUDIT, AND REVIEW

CONTRACTOR shall keep such business records pursuant to this Agreement as would be kept by a reasonably prudent practitioner of CONTRACTOR's profession, and shall maintain such records for at least four (4) years following the termination of this Agreement. All accounting records shall be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. COUNTY shall have the right to audit and review all such documents and records at any time during CONTRACTOR's regular business hours or upon reasonable notice. In addition, if this Agreement exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), CONTRACTOR shall be subject to the examination and audit of the California State Auditor, at the request of the COUNTY or as part of any audit of the COUNTY, for a period of three (3) years after final payment under the Agreement (Cal. Govt. Code Section 8546.7). CONTRACTOR shall participate in any audits and reviews, whether by COUNTY or the State, at no charge to COUNTY.

If federal, state or COUNTY audit exceptions are made relating to this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall reimburse all costs incurred by federal, state, and/or COUNTY governments associated with defending against the audit exceptions or performing any audits or follow-up audits, including but not limited to: audit fees, court costs, attorneys' fees based upon a reasonable hourly amount for attorneys in the community, travel costs, penalty assessments and all other costs of whatever nature. Immediately upon notification from COUNTY, CONTRACTOR shall reimburse the amount of the audit exceptions and any other related costs directly to COUNTY as specified by COUNTY in the notification.

### 15. INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

CONTRACTOR agrees to and shall comply with the indemnification and insurance provisions as set forth in EXHIBIT C, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

### 16. **NONDISCRIMINATION**

COUNTY hereby notifies CONTRACTOR that COUNTY's Unlawful Discrimination Ordinance (Article XIII of Chapter 2 of the Santa Barbara County Code) applies to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by this reference with the same force and effect as if the ordinance were specifically set out herein and CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with said ordinance.

### 17. NONEXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT

CONTRACTOR understands that this is not an exclusive Agreement, and that COUNTY shall have the right to negotiate with and enter into contracts with others providing the same or similar services as those provided by CONTRACTOR as the COUNTY desires.

### 18. **NON-ASSIGNMENT**

CONTRACTOR shall not assign, subcontract, delegate, or otherwise transfer, directly or indirectly, whether by operation of law or otherwise ("Transfer") this Agreement, or any of CONTRACTOR's rights or obligations under this Agreement, without the prior written consent of COUNTY. Any attempted or purported Transfer in violation of this Section 18 shall be null and void and without legal effect and shall constitute grounds for termination. No Transfer shall relieve CONTRACTOR of any of its obligations hereunder.

### 19. **TERMINATION**

- A. <u>By COUNTY</u>. COUNTY may, by written notice to CONTRACTOR, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time, whether for COUNTY's convenience, for nonappropriation of funds, or because of the failure of CONTRACTOR to fulfill its obligations hereunder.
  - For Convenience. COUNTY may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part upon thirty (30) days
    written notice. During the thirty (30) day period, CONTRACTOR shall, as directed by COUNTY, wind
    down and cease its services as quickly and efficiently as reasonably possible, without performing
    unnecessary services or activities and by minimizing negative effects on COUNTY from such winding
    down and cessation of services.
  - 2. For Nonappropriation of Funds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated or budgeted by federal, State or COUNTY governments, or sufficient funds are not otherwise available for payments hereunder in the fiscal year(s) covered by the Term of this Agreement, then COUNTY will notify CONTRACTOR of such occurrence, and COUNTY may terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part, with or without a prior notice period. Subsequent to termination of this Agreement under this provision, COUNTY shall have no obligation to make payments with regard to the remainder of the Term.
  - 3. For Cause. Should CONTRACTOR default in the performance of this Agreement or materially breach any of the provisions hereof, COUNTY may, at COUNTY's sole option, terminate or suspend this Agreement in whole or in part upon written notice ("Termination Notice"). Upon receipt of such Termination Notice, CONTRACTOR shall immediately discontinue all Services (unless otherwise directed in such Termination Notice) and notify COUNTY in writing of the status of CONTRACTOR's performance of Services hereunder. The date of termination shall be the date the Termination Notice is received by CONTRACTOR, unless the Termination Notice directs otherwise.
- B. <u>By CONTRACTOR</u>. Should COUNTY fail to pay CONTRACTOR all or any part of the payment set forth in EXHIBIT B, CONTRACTOR may, at CONTRACTOR's option, terminate this Agreement if such failure is not remedied by COUNTY within thirty (30) days of written Notice to COUNTY of such late payment.
- C. Upon termination, CONTRACTOR shall deliver to COUNTY all data, estimates, graphs, summaries, reports, and all other property, records, documents or papers as may have been accumulated or produced by CONTRACTOR in performing this Agreement, whether completed or in process, except such items as COUNTY may, by written permission, permit CONTRACTOR to retain. Notwithstanding any other payment provision of this Agreement, COUNTY shall pay CONTRACTOR for satisfactory Services performed as of the date of termination to include a prorated amount of compensation due hereunder less payments, if any, previously made. In no event shall CONTRACTOR be paid an amount in excess of the Maximum Contract Amount, or for profit on unperformed portions of Services. CONTRACTOR shall furnish to COUNTY such financial information as in the judgment of COUNTY is necessary to determine

the reasonable value of the Services rendered by CONTRACTOR. In the event of a dispute as to the reasonable value of the Services rendered by CONTRACTOR, the decision of COUNTY shall be final. The foregoing is cumulative and shall not affect any right or remedy which COUNTY may have in law or equity.

### 20. SECTION HEADINGS

The headings of the several sections herein, and any Table of Contents appended hereto, shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect hereof.

### 21. **SEVERABILITY**

If any one or more of the provisions contained herein shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, then such provision or provisions shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions hereof, and such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision hereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

### 22. REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE

No remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to COUNTY is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies, and each and every such remedy, to the extent permitted by law, shall be cumulative and in addition to any other remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise.

### 23. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE

Time is of the essence in this Agreement and each covenant and term is a condition herein.

### 24. NO WAIVER OF DEFAULT

No delay or omission of COUNTY to exercise any right or power arising upon the occurrence of any event of default shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein; and every power and remedy given by this Agreement to COUNTY shall be exercised from time to time and as often as may be deemed expedient in the sole discretion of COUNTY.

### 25. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND AMENDMENT

This Agreement, including all Exhibits attached hereto, contains the entire understanding and agreement of the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and there have been no promises, representations, agreements, warranties or undertakings by any of the Parties, either oral or written, of any character or nature hereafter binding except as set forth herein. This Agreement may be altered, amended or modified only by an instrument in writing, duly executed by each of the Parties and by no other means. Each Party waives its future right to claim, contest or assert that this Agreement was modified, canceled, superseded, or changed by any oral agreements, course of conduct, waiver or estoppel.

### **26. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

This Agreement is binding on and inures to the benefit of the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns in accordance with Section 18, above.

### 27. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAW**

CONTRACTOR shall, at its sole cost and expense, comply with all applicable County, State and Federal ordinances and statutes now in force or which may hereafter be in force. The judgment of any court of competent

jurisdiction, or the admission of CONTRACTOR in any action or proceeding against CONTRACTOR, whether COUNTY is a party thereto or not, that CONTRACTOR has violated any such ordinance or statute, shall be conclusive of that fact as between CONTRACTOR and COUNTY.

### 28. CALIFORNIA LAW AND JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Any litigation regarding this Agreement or its contents shall be filed in the County of Santa Barbara, if in state court, or in the federal district court nearest to Santa Barbara County, if in federal court.

### 29. **EXECUTION OF COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and each of such counterparts shall for all purposes be deemed to be an original; and all such counterparts, or as many of them as the parties shall preserve undestroyed, shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

### 30. AUTHORITY

All signatories and parties to this Agreement warrant and represent that they have the power and authority to enter into this Agreement in the names, titles and capacities herein stated and on behalf of any entities, persons, or firms represented or purported to be represented by such entity(ies), person(s), or firm(s) and that all formal requirements necessary or required by any state and/or federal law in order to enter into this Agreement have been fully complied with. Furthermore, by entering into this Agreement, CONTRACTOR hereby warrants that it shall not have breached the terms or conditions of any other contract or agreement to which CONTRACTOR is obligated, which breach would have a material effect hereon.

### 31. SURVIVAL

All provisions of this Agreement which by their nature are intended to survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement shall survive such termination or expiration.

### 32. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

In the event of conflict between the provisions contained in the numbered sections of this Agreement and the provisions contained in the Exhibits, the provisions contained in the numbered sections of this Agreement shall prevail over those in the Exhibits. Should there be a conflict of terms or conditions, this Agreement and any implementing task orders shall control over the RFP and the Contractor's proposal. If any Statement of Work, or quotes provided by CONTRACTOR incorporated into a Statement of Work, include any standard printed terms from CONTRACTOR, or any hyperlinks to standard terms or other provisions from CONTRACTOR ("CONTRACTOR's Terms"), CONTRACTOR agrees that in the event of discrepancy, inconsistency, gap, ambiguity, or conflicting language between the COUNTY's terms set forth in the numbered sections of this Agreement and Exhibits B, C, D, and E hereto, on the one hand, and CONTRACTOR's Terms, on the other, the City's terms shall take precedence and control, followed by (i) task orders or similar orders issued by a COUNTY department pursuant to a Statement of Work, and then (ii) CONTRACTOR's Terms, if any.

### 33. BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

The Parties agree to, and CONTRACTOR shall abide by, the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit D - HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (BAA), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

### 34. REQUIRED FEDERAL PROVISIONS

The Parties agree to, and CONTRACTOR shall abide by, the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit E (Required Federal Provisions), attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, with respect to all Statements of Work which indicate the applicability of such Required Federal Provisions.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the Parties have executed this Agreement to be effective on the date executed by COUNTY ("Effective Date").

APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:	
Rachel Van Mullem	Betsy M. Schaffer, CPA, CPFO	
County Counsel	Auditor-Controller	
Ву:	Ву:	
Deputy County Counsel	Deputy	
	BOARD AUTHORIZATION EXECUTION:	
	Date:	
	Minute Order Number:	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Gregory Milligan	Phung Loman	
Risk Management	General Services – Procurement Services	
By:	By:	
Risk Manager	Chief Procurement Officer	
CONTRACTOR:		
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By:		
Authorized Representative		
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Name:		
Title:		

### **EXHIBIT A**

### **STATEMENT OF WORK**

(INSERT S	STATEMENT OF WORK.}
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### **EXHIBIT B**

### PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS Compensation Upon Completion

- A. For CONTRACTOR services to be rendered under this Agreement, CONTRACTOR shall be paid a total contract amount, including cost reimbursements, not to exceed \$ xx ("Maximum Contract Amount").
- B. Payment for Services and /or reimbursement of costs shall be made upon CONTRACTOR's satisfactory performance, based upon the scope and methodology contained in **EXHIBIT A** as determined by COUNTY.
- C. Upon completion of the Services detailed in EXHIBIT A and/or delivery to COUNTY of item(s) specified therein, CONTRACTOR shall submit to the COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE an invoice or certified claim on the County Treasury for the Services performed. This invoice or claim must cite the assigned Board Contract Number. COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE shall evaluate the quality of the Service performed and/or the item(s) delivered and, if found to be satisfactory, shall initiate payment processing. COUNTY shall pay invoices or claims for satisfactory Services within 30 days of receipt of correct and complete invoices from CONTRACTOR.
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#### **EXHIBIT B**

### PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS Compensation upon Completion (with attached Schedule of Fees)

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#### **EXHIBIT B**

### PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS Periodic Compensation at Selected Milestones

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- C. Upon completion of the work for each milestone and/or delivery to COUNTY of item(s) specified below, CONTRACTOR shall submit to the COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE an invoice or certified claim on the County Treasury for the service performed in accomplishing each milestone. These invoices or certified claims must cite the assigned Board Contract Number. COUNTY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE shall evaluate the quality of the service performed and/or item(s) delivered and if found to be satisfactory shall initiate payment processing. COUNTY shall pay invoices or claims for satisfactory work within 30 days of receipt of correct and complete invoices or claims from CONTRACTOR.

Percentage of Total		Maximum Amount
Contract Amount	Milestone Description	Chargeable
XX	XX	XX

The final milestone payment above shall not be made until all services have been completed and item(s) as specified in **EXHIBIT A** have been delivered and found to be satisfactory.

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Percentage of Total	
Contract Amount	
OR	
Maximum Amount	
Chargeable	Milestone Description
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### **Exhibit C Risk Management**

### SELECTING THE CORRECT EXHIBIT C

There are currently five standard indemnity and insurance templates from which to choose. The following descriptions should be helpful in determining the best fit; however, if you have any questions please contact the Risk Manager (884-6865).

- Service Contracts: for most contracts, including routine maintenance of facilities or grounds.
- Construction Contracts: for construction projects, remodeling of facilities, public works projects.
- **Design/Build Services:** for construction projects, remodeling of facilities, public works projects wherein the firm designing the project is also constructing/building the facility; therefore, requiring the indemnity clauses to be bifurcated.
- Design Professional Services: for the services of architects, engineers, and land surveyors.
- **Professional Services:** for all other professional service providers, such as attorneys, accountants, medical professionals, insurance brokers and certain consultants with a specialized knowledge.

The following answer from our insurance broker concerns one of the most frequently asked questions: *"When does a contractor need professional liability coverage?"* 

A contractor needs professional liability coverage if expected under contract to provide "professional" services. The simplest way to decide is to determine whether the nature of the services provided entail "brain work" or "physical work." If it is only physical work, then a liability policy, general and/or automobile will most likely cover all your exposures to loss. However, if the work or a portion of the work is expected to involve the use of professional knowledge, professional liability insurance is required. As an example, if a contractor is merely following blueprints in constructing a building, it would involve only physical work and a general liability policy will suffice. However, if the contractor is a "design-build" firm, or decides that it knows of a better way to construct part of the building, and it alters the blueprints accordingly, then it has crossed the line over into providing "professional" service and would then need professional liability coverage to cover a subsequent loss.

#### **EXHIBIT D**

### HIPAA BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT (BAA)

This Business Associate Agreement ("BAA") supplements and is made a part of the Agreement between COUNTY (referred to herein as "Covered Entity") and CONTRACTOR (referred to herein as "Business Associate").

### **RECITALS**

Covered Entity wishes to disclose certain information to Business Associate pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, some of which may constitute Protected Health Information ("PHI") (defined below).

Covered Entity and Business Associate intend to protect the privacy and provide for the security of PHI disclosed to Business Associate pursuant to the Agreement in compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191 ("HIPAA"), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, Public Law 111-005 ("HITECH Act"), and 45 CFR Parts 160 and 164, Subpart C (the "Security Rule"), Subpart D (the "Data Breach Notification Rule") and Subpart E (the "Privacy Rule") (collectively, the "HIPAA Regulations").

As part of the HIPAA Regulations, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule (defined below) require Covered Entity to enter into a contract containing specific requirements with Business Associate prior to the disclosure of PHI, as set forth in, but not limited to, Title 45, Sections 164.314(a), 164.502(e) and 164.504(e) of the Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) and contained in this BAA.

In consideration of the mutual promises below and the exchange of information pursuant to this BAA, the parties agree as follows:

#### A. Definitions

- 1. **Breach** shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act [42 U.S.C. Section 17921].
- 2. **Business Associate** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17938 and 45 C.F.R. Section 160.103.
- 3. **Covered Entity** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 160.103.
- 4. **Data Aggregation** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
- 5. **Designated Record Set** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.
- 6. **Electronic Protected Health Information** means Protected Health Information that is maintained in or transmitted by electronic media.
- 7. **Electronic Health Record** shall have the meaning given to such term in the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17921.
- 8. **Health Care Operations** shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501.

- 9. **Privacy Rule** shall mean the HIPAA Regulation that is codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and E.
- 10. **Protected Health Information or PHI** means any information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium: (i) that relates to the past, present or future physical or mental condition of an individual; the provision of health care to an individual; or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an individual; and (ii) that identifies the individual or with respect to which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the individual, and shall have the meaning given to such term under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.501. Protected Health Information includes Electronic Protected Health Information [45 C.F.R. Sections 160.103, 164.501].
- 11. **Protected Information** shall mean PHI provided by Covered Entity to Business Associate or created or received by Business Associate on Covered Entity's behalf.
- 12. **Security Rule** shall mean the HIPAA Regulation that is codified at 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and C.
- 13. **Unsecured PHI** shall have the meaning given to such term under the HITECH Act and any guidance issued pursuant to such Act including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17932(h).

### B. Obligations of Business Associate

- 1. **Permitted Uses.** Business Associate shall not use Protected Information except for the purpose of performing Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement and as permitted under the Agreement and this BAA. Further, Business Associate shall not use Protected Information in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule or the HITECH Act if so used by Covered Entity. However, Business Associate may use Protected Information (i) for the proper management and administration of Business Associate, (ii) to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate, or (iii) for Data Aggregation purposes for the Health Care Operations of Covered Entity [45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A) and 164.504(e)(4)(i)].
- 2. **Permitted Disclosures.** Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information except for the purpose of performing Business Associate's obligations under the Agreement and as permitted under the Agreement and this BAA. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information in any manner that would constitute a violation of the Privacy Rule or the HITECH Act if so disclosed by Covered Entity. However, Business Associate may disclose Protected Information (i) for the proper management and administration of Business Associate; (ii) to carry out the legal responsibilities of Business Associate; (iii) as required by law; or (iv) for Data Aggregation purposes for the Health Care Operations of Covered Entity. If Business Associate discloses Protected Information to a third party, Business Associate must obtain, prior to making any such disclosure, (i) reasonable written assurances from such third party that such Protected Information will be held confidential as provided pursuant to this BAA and only disclosed as required by law or for the purposes for which it was disclosed to such third party, and (ii) a written agreement from such third party to immediately notify Business Associate of any breaches of confidentiality of the Protected Information, to the extent the third party has obtained knowledge of such breach [42 U.S.C. Section 17932; 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(i), 164.504(e)(2)(i)(B), 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(A) and 164.504(e)(4)(iii)].
- 3. **Prohibited Uses and Disclosures.** Business Associate shall not use or disclose Protected Information for fundraising or marketing purposes. Business Associate shall not disclose Protected Information to a health

plan for payment or health care operations purposes if the patient has requested this special restriction, and has paid out of pocket in full for the health care item or service to which the PHI solely relates [42 U.S.C. Section 17935(a)]. Business Associate shall not directly or indirectly receive remuneration in exchange for Protected Information, except with the prior written consent of Covered Entity and as permitted by the HITECH Act, 42 U.S.C. section 17935(d)(2); however, this prohibition shall not affect payment by Covered Entity to Business Associate for services provided pursuant to the Agreement. Business Associate shall mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a use or disclosure of PHI by Business Associate in violation of this Agreement, the BAA, or the HIPAA Regulations.

- 4. **Appropriate Safeguards.** Business Associate shall implement appropriate safeguards as are necessary to prevent the use or disclosure of Protected Information otherwise than as permitted by the Agreement or this BAA, including, but not limited to, administrative, physical and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity and availability of the Protected Information, in accordance with 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.308, 164.310, and 164.312. [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(B); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]. Business Associate shall comply with the policies and procedures and documentation requirements of the HIPAA Security Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.316 [42 U.S.C. Section 17931].
- 5. **Reporting of Improper Access, Use or Disclosure.** Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity in writing of any access, use or disclosure of Protected Information not permitted by the Agreement and this BAA, and any Breach of Unsecured PHI, as required by the Data Breach Notification Rule, of which it becomes aware without unreasonable delay and in no case later than 60 calendar days after discovery [42 U.S.C. Section 17921; 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(C); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)].
- 6. **Business Associate's Subcontractors and Agents.** Business Associate shall ensure that any agents and subcontractors to whom it provides Protected Information, agree in writing to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to Business Associate with respect to such PHI and implement the safeguards required by paragraph (c) above with respect to Electronic PHI [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(D); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]. Business Associate shall implement and maintain sanctions against agents and subcontractors that violate such restrictions and conditions and shall mitigate the effects of any such violation (see 45 C.F.R. Sections 164.530(f) and 164.530(e)(1)).
- 7. Access to Protected Information. To the extent that the Covered Entity keeps a designated record set then Business Associate shall make Protected Information maintained by Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors in Designated Record Sets available to Covered Entity for inspection and copying within five (5) days of a request by Covered Entity to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under state law [Health and Safety Code Section 123110] and the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.524 [45 CF.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(E)]. If Business Associate maintains an Electronic Health Record, Business Associate shall provide such information in electronic format to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the HITECH Act, including, but not limited to, 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(e).
- 8. Amendment of PHI for Business Associate who is Required to Maintain a Record Set. If Business Associate is required to maintain a designated record set on behalf of the Covered Entity the Business Associate shall within ten (10) days of receipt of a request from Covered Entity for an amendment of Protected Information or a record about an individual contained in a Designated Record Set, Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors shall make such Protected Information available to Covered Entity for amendment and incorporate any such amendment to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its

obligations under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.526. If any individual requests an amendment of Protected Information directly from Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors, Business Associate must notify Covered Entity in writing within five (5) days of the request. Any approval or denial of amendment of Protected Information maintained by Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors shall be the responsibility of Covered Entity [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(F)].

- 9. Accounting Rights. Within ten (10) days of notice by Covered Entity of a request for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Information, Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors shall make available to Covered Entity the information required to provide an accounting of disclosures to enable Covered Entity to fulfill its obligations under the Privacy Rule, including, but not limited to, 45 C.F.R. Section 164.528, and the HITECH Act, including but not limited to 42 U.S.C. Section 17935(c), as determined by Covered Entity. Business Associate agrees to implement a process that allows for an accounting to be collected and maintained by Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors for at least six (6) years prior to the request. However, accounting of disclosures from an Electronic Health Record for treatment, payment or health care operations purposes are required to be collected and maintained for only three (3) years prior to the request, and only to the extent that Business Associate maintains an electronic health record and is subject to this requirement. At a minimum, the information collected and maintained shall include: (i) the date of disclosure; (ii) the name of the entity or person who received Protected Information and, if known, the address of the entity or person; (iii) a brief description of Protected Information disclosed and (iv) a brief statement of purpose of the disclosure that reasonably informs the individual of the basis for the disclosure, or a copy of the individual's authorization, or a copy of the written request for disclosure. In the event that the request for an accounting is delivered directly to Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors, Business Associate shall within five (5) days of a request forward it to Covered Entity in writing. It shall be Covered Entity's responsibility to prepare and deliver any such accounting requested. Business Associate shall not disclose any Protected Information except as set forth in Sections B.2 of this BAA [45 C.F.R. Sections 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(G) and 165.528]. The provisions of this subparagraph shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 10. **Governmental Access to Records.** Business Associate shall make its internal practices, books and records relating to the use and disclosure of Protected Information available to Covered Entity and to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (Secretary) for purposes of determining Business Associate's compliance with the Privacy Rule [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(H)]. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity a copy of any Protected Information that Business Associate provides to the Secretary concurrently with providing such Protected Information to the Secretary.
- 11. **Minimum Necessary.** Business Associate (and its agents or subcontractors) shall request, use and disclose only the minimum amount of Protected Information necessary to accomplish the purpose of the request, use, or disclosure [42 U.S.C. Section 17935(b); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.514(d)(3)]. Business Associate understands and agrees that the definition of "minimum necessary" is in flux and shall keep itself informed of guidance issued by the Secretary with respect to what constitutes "minimum necessary."
- 12. **Data Ownership**. Business Associate acknowledges that Business Associate has no ownership rights with respect to the Protected Information.
- 13. **Business Associate's Insurance.** Business Associate represents and warrants that it purchases commercial insurance to cover its exposure for any claims, damages or losses arising as a result of a breach of the terms of this BAA.
- 14. **Notification of Possible Breach.** During the term of the Agreement, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity within twenty-four (24) hours of any suspected or actual breach of security, or any access,

use or disclosure of Protected Information not permitted by the Agreement or this BAA or unauthorized use or disclosure of PHI of which Business Associate becomes aware and/or any actual or suspected use or disclosure of data in violation of any applicable federal or state laws or regulations. Business Associate shall take (i) prompt corrective action to cure any such deficiencies and (ii) any action pertaining to such unauthorized disclosure required by applicable federal and state laws and regulations. [42 U.S.C. Section 17921; 45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(ii)(C); 45 C.F.R. Section 164.308(b)]

- 15. **Breach Pattern or Practice by Covered Entity.** Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Section 17934(b), if the Business Associate knows of a pattern of activity or practice of the Covered Entity that constitutes a material breach or violation of the Covered Entity's obligations under the Agreement or this BAA or other arrangement, the Business Associate must take reasonable steps to cure the breach or end the violation. If the steps are unsuccessful, the Business Associate must terminate the Agreement or other arrangement if feasible, or if termination is not feasible, report the problem to the Secretary. Business Associate shall provide written notice to Covered Entity of any pattern of activity or practice of the Covered Entity that Business Associate believes constitutes a material breach or violation of the Covered Entity's obligations under the Agreement or this BAA or other arrangement within five (5) days of discovery and shall meet with Covered Entity to discuss and attempt to resolve the problem as one of the reasonable steps to cure the breach or end the violation.
- 16. Audits, Inspection and Enforcement. Within ten (10) days of a written request by Covered Entity, Business Associate and its agents or subcontractors shall allow Covered Entity to conduct a reasonable inspection of the facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures relating to the use or disclosure of Protected Information pursuant to this BAA for the purpose of determining whether Business Associate has complied with this BAA; provided, however, that (i) Business Associate and Covered Entity shall mutually agree in advance upon the scope, timing and location of such an inspection, (ii) Covered Entity shall protect the confidentiality of all confidential and proprietary information of Business Associate to which Covered Entity has access during the course of such inspection; and (iii) Covered Entity shall execute a nondisclosure agreement, upon terms mutually agreed upon by the parties, if requested by Business Associate. The fact that Covered Entity inspects, or fails to inspect, or has the right to inspect, Business Associate's facilities, systems, books, records, agreements, policies and procedures does not relieve Business Associate of its responsibility to comply with this BAA, nor does Covered Entity's (i) failure to detect or (ii) detection, but failure to notify Business Associate or require Business Associate's remediation of any unsatisfactory practices, constitute acceptance of such practice or a waiver of Covered Entity's enforcement rights under the Agreement or this BAA, Business Associate shall notify Covered Entity within ten (10) days of learning that Business Associate has become the subject of an audit, compliance review, or complaint investigation by the Office for Civil Rights.

### C. Termination

- 1. **Material Breach.** A breach by Business Associate of any provision of this BAA, as determined by Covered Entity, shall constitute a material breach of the Agreement and shall provide grounds for immediate termination of the Agreement, any provision in the Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(2)(iii)].
- 2. Judicial or Administrative Proceedings. Covered Entity may terminate the Agreement, effective immediately, if (i) Business Associate is named as a defendant in a criminal proceeding for a violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or other security or privacy laws or (ii) a finding or stipulation that the Business Associate has violated any standard or requirement of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or other security or privacy laws is made in any administrative or civil proceeding in which the party has been joined.

3. **Effect of Termination.** Upon termination of the Agreement for any reason, Business Associate shall, at the option of Covered Entity, return or destroy all Protected Information that Business Associate or its agents or subcontractors still maintain in any form, and shall retain no copies of such Protected Information. If return or destruction is not feasible, as determined by Covered Entity, Business Associate shall continue to extend the protections of Section B of this BAA to such information, and limit further use of such PHI to those purposes that make the return or destruction of such PHI infeasible. [45 C.F.R. Section 164.504(e)(ii)(2(I))]. If Covered Entity elects destruction of the PHI, Business Associate shall certify in writing to Covered Entity that such PHI has been destroyed.

### D. Indemnification

If Business Associate fails to adhere to any of the privacy, confidentiality, and/or data security provisions set forth in this BAA or if there is a Breach of PHI in Business Associate's possession and, as a result, PHI or any other confidential information is unlawfully accessed, used or disclosed, Business Associate agrees to reimburse Covered Entity for any and all costs, direct or indirect, incurred by Covered Entity associated with any Breach notification obligations. Business Associate also agrees to pay for any and all fines and/or administrative penalties imposed for such unauthorized access, use or disclosure of confidential information or for delayed reporting if it fails to notify the Covered Entity of the Breach as required by this BAA.

### E. Disclaimer

Covered Entity makes no warranty or representation that compliance by Business Associate with this BAA, HIPAA, the HITECH Act, or the HIPAA Regulations will be adequate or satisfactory for Business Associate's own purposes. Business Associate is solely responsible for all decisions made by Business Associate regarding the safeguarding of PHI.

### F. Certification

To the extent that Covered Entity determines that such examination is necessary to comply with Covered Entity's legal obligations pursuant to HIPAA relating to certification of its security practices, Covered Entity or its authorized agents or contractors, may, at Covered Entity's expense, examine Business Associate's facilities, systems, procedures and records as may be necessary for such agents or contractors to certify to Covered Entity the extent to which Business Associate's security safeguards comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the HIPAA Regulations or this BAA.

### G. Amendment to Comply with Law

The parties acknowledge that state and federal laws relating to data security and privacy are rapidly evolving and that amendment of the Agreement or this BAA may be required to provide for procedures to ensure compliance with such developments. The parties specifically agree to take such action as is necessary to implement the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule and other applicable laws relating to the security or confidentiality of PHI. The parties understand and agree that Covered Entity must receive satisfactory written assurance from Business Associate that Business Associate will adequately safeguard all Protected Information. Upon the request of either party, the other party agrees to promptly enter into negotiations concerning the terms of an amendment to this BAA embodying written assurances consistent with the standards and requirements of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule or other applicable laws. Covered Entity may terminate the Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice in the event (i) Business Associate does not promptly enter into negotiations to amend the Agreement or this BAA when requested by Covered Entity pursuant to

this Section or (ii) Business Associate does not enter into an amendment to the Agreement or this BAA providing assurances regarding the safeguarding of PHI that Covered Entity, in its sole discretion, deems sufficient to satisfy the standards and requirements of applicable laws.

### H. Assistance in Litigation of Administrative Proceedings

Business Associate shall make itself, and any subcontractors, employees or agents assisting Business Associate in the performance of its obligations under the Agreement or this BAA, available to Covered Entity, at no cost to Covered Entity, to testify as witnesses, or otherwise, in the event of litigation or administrative proceedings being commenced against Covered Entity, its directors, officers or employees based upon a claimed violation of HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule, the Security Rule, or other laws relating to security and privacy, except where Business Associate or its subcontractor, employee or agent is named adverse party.

### I. No Third-Party Beneficiaries

Nothing express or implied in the Agreement or this BAA is intended to confer, nor shall anything herein confer, upon any person other than Covered Entity, Business Associate and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities whatsoever.

### J. Effect on Agreement

Except as specifically required to implement the purposes of this BAA, or to the extent inconsistent with this BAA, all other terms of the Agreement shall remain in force and effect.

### K. Entire Agreement of the Parties

This BAA supersedes any and all prior and contemporaneous business associate agreements between the parties and constitutes the final and entire agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. Covered Entity and Business Associate acknowledge that no representations, inducements, promises, or agreements, oral or otherwise, with respect to the subject matter hereof, have been made by either party, or by anyone acting on behalf of either party, which are not embodied herein. No other agreement, statement or promise, with respect to the subject matter hereof, not contained in this BAA shall be valid or binding.

### L. Interpretation

The provisions of this BAA shall prevail over any provisions in the Agreement that may conflict or appear inconsistent with any provision in this BAA. This BAA and the Agreement shall be interpreted as broadly as necessary to implement and comply with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this BAA shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that complies and is consistent with HIPAA, the HITECH Act, the Privacy Rule and the Security Rule.