AGREEMENT FOR THE DURATION, RATE, AND ALLOCATION OF SALES AND USE TAX

This Agreement for the Duration, Rate, and Allocation of Sales and Use Tax (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the City of Simonton, Texas (the "City"), Fort Bend County, Texas (the "County"), and Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 8 (the "District"), Fort Bend County, Texas.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City requires the execution of this Agreement as a condition to its consent for the creation of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and conditions set forth below, the parties agree as follows:

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Section 1. General. The City consented to the creation of the District on _______, 2017. The City, the County and the District agree that the District's imposition of sales and use tax within the boundaries of the District shall be governed by the terms of this Agreement. The City, the County, and the District agree that the District may perform the following functions in the District: (1) the construction, maintenance, or improvement of roads or highways, (2) the provision of law enforcement and detention services, (3) the maintenance or improvement of libraries, museums, parks, or other recreational facilities, (4) the provision of services that benefit the public health or welfare, including the provision of firefighting and fire prevention services, or (5) the promotion of economic development and tourism.

Section 2. <u>Duration</u>. The City will not annex any land within the boundaries of the District for full purposes earlier than April 1, 2037 (the "Earliest Termination Date"). In the event the City annexes a portion of the District for full purposes, the City must provide the County and the District with six (6) months' notice of any such annexation and, as of the annexation date, the area annexed shall be automatically excluded from the boundaries of the District. If the City annexes the entirety of the District for full purposes, the City must provide the County and the District with six (6) months' notice of such annexation and, as of the annexation date, the District shall no longer be authorized to collect sales and use tax within the District.

Section 3. Rate and Allocation. The sales and use tax imposed by the District may not exceed two (2) percent, and may only be used for lawful purposes within the boundaries of the District. The District and the City hereby agree to an allocation of

fifty percent (50%) of all sales and use tax collected by the District shall be payable to the City for purposes consistent with this Agreement.

<u>Section 4</u>. <u>Bonds or obligations</u>. Neither the County nor the District may issue or enter into bonds, notes, or other obligations extending beyond the Earliest Termination Date, if such bonds, notes, or other obligations are secured by a pledge or other encumbrance or lien on the sales and use tax collected by the District.

Section 5. Boundaries and Annexation. The City hereby consents to District's inclusion of public right of way used for road purposes and County-owned property and facilities currently located within the municipal boundaries of the City within the boundaries of the District. The inclusion of such property will allow the District to spend its revenue collected from other areas within its boundaries and perform its functions on non-sales and use tax revenue generating property used for public purposes. Based on the current and proposed use of the right of way and County-owned property and facilities, there will be no imposition of the sales and use tax applicable to such that would exceed the maximum combined rate of sales and use taxes imposed by political subdivisions of this state prescribed by Sections 321.101 and 323.101 of the Texas Tax Code. Further, the City agrees that the District may annex additional land located within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City into its boundaries with sixty (60) days' notice to the City.

<u>Section 6</u>. <u>Termination of Agreement</u>. This Agreement is to remain in full force and effect unless terminated by mutual agreement of the parties hereto. Notwithstanding the above, if the City annexes the entirety of the District for full purposes the Agreement shall terminate.

<u>Section 7</u>. <u>Entire Agreement; Modification</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the City, the County, and the District concerning the duration, rate, and allocation of the imposition of sales and use tax by the District. There have been and are no agreements, covenants, representations, or warranties between the parties other than those expressly stated or provided for herein. No modification hereof or subsequent agreement relative to the subject matter hereof shall be binding on any party unless reduced to writing and signed by the parties.

<u>Section 8</u>. <u>Parties in Interest</u>. This Agreement shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the City, the County, and the District and shall not be construed to confer any benefit or right upon any other party, including particularly any resident of the District, the County, or the City.

<u>Section 9</u>. <u>Severability</u>. The provisions of this Agreement are severable, and if any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement or the application thereof to any other person or circumstance shall ever be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to contravene or be invalid under the constitution or

laws of the State of Texas for any reason, that contravention or invalidity shall not invalidate the entire Agreement. Instead, this Agreement shall be construed as if it did not contain the particular provision or provisions held to be invalid, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be enforced accordingly, and this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect, as construed. The remainder of this Agreement and the application of such word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or other part of this Agreement to the other parties or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 10. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement shall apply to and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective officers, directors, successors, and assigns. This Agreement and any of the rights obtained hereunder are not assignable by any party hereto without the express written consent of the other parties, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 11. Authorization. Each party represents that (i) execution and delivery of this Agreement by it has been duly authorized by its governing body or other persons from whom such party is legally bound to obtain authorization; (ii) that the consummation of the contemplated transactions will not result in a breach or violation of, or a default under, any agreement by which it or any of its properties is bound, or by any statute, rule, regulation, order, or other law to which it is subject; and (iii) this Agreement is a binding and enforceable agreement on its part.

<u>Section 12</u>. <u>Applicable Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas.

<u>Section 13</u>. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Agreement will be effective as of the date of the execution by the last party to execute this Agreement.

[EXECUTION PAGES FOLLOW]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original.

FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

	Ву:
	Robert E. Hebert, County Judge
	Date:
ATTEST:	
By:	
Laura Richard, County Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
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Marcus D. Spencer, First Assistant Cour	nty Attorney

FORT BEND COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT NO. 8

	By:
	Robert E. Hebert, County Judge
	Date:
ATTEST:	
By:	

CITY OF SIMONTON, TEXAS

	Ву:
	Louis Boudreaux, Mayor
	Date:
ATTEST:	
By: Erica Molina, Deputy City Secretar	v