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**COUNTY OF FORT BEND** 

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## AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between Fort Bend County, (hereinafter "County"), a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas, and Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. (hereinafter "Contractor"), a company authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas.

## WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, County desires that Contractor provide professional surveying and engineering services for construction of a four-lane concrete boulevard between Grand Estates Drive and Williams Way Boulevard, under the Fort Bend County 2013 Mobility Bond Program – Sansbury Boulevard – Project No. 13111 (hereinafter "Services") pursuant to SOQ 14-025; and

WHEREAS, Contractor represents that it is qualified and desires to perform such services.

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

## **AGREEMENT**

## Section 1. Scope of Services

Contractor shall render Services to County as defined in the Proposal for Professional Surveying and Engineering Services dated March 27, 2017 (attached hereto as Exhibit A).

## Section 2. Personnel

- 2.1 Contractor represents that it presently has, or is able to obtain, adequate qualified personnel in its employment for the timely performance of the Scope of Services required under this Agreement and that Contractor shall furnish and maintain, at its own expense, adequate and sufficient personnel, in the opinion of County, to perform the Scope of Services when and as required and without delays.
- 2.2 All employees of Contractor shall have such knowledge and experience as will enable them to perform the duties assigned to them. Any employee of Contractor who, in the opinion of County, is incompetent or by his conduct becomes detrimental to the project shall, upon request of County, immediately be removed from association with the project.

## Section 3. Compensation and Payment

3.1 Contractor's fees shall be calculated at the rates set forth in the attached Exhibit A. The Maximum Compensation for the performance of Services within the Scope of Services

described in Exhibit A is one hundred sixty-two thousand five hundred eighty-seven dollars and 00/100 (\$162,587.00). In no case shall the amount paid by County under this Agreement exceed the Maximum Compensation without written agreement executed by the parties.

- 3.2 All performance of the Scope of Services by Contractor including any changes in the Scope of Services and revision of work satisfactorily performed will be performed only when approved in advance and authorized by County.
- 3.3 County will pay Contractor based on the following procedures: Upon completion of the tasks identified in the Scope of Services, Contractor shall submit to County staff person designated by the County Engineer, one (1) electronic (pdf) copy and two (2) original hard copies of invoices showing the amounts due for services performed in a form acceptable to County. County shall review such invoices and approve them within 30 calendar days with such modifications as are consistent with this Agreement and forward same to the Auditor for processing. County shall pay each such approved invoice within thirty (30) calendar days. County reserves the right to withhold payment pending verification of satisfactory work performed.

## Section 4. Limit of Appropriation

- 4.1 Contractor clearly understands and agrees, such understanding and agreement being of the absolute essence of this Agreement, that County shall have available the total maximum sum of one hundred sixty-two thousand five hundred eighty-seven dollars and 00/100 (\$162,587.00) specifically allocated to fully discharge any and all liabilities County may incur.
- 4.2 Contractor does further understand and agree, said understanding and agreement also being of the absolute essence of this Agreement, that the total maximum compensation that Contractor may become entitled to and the total maximum sum that County may become liable to pay to Contractor shall not under any conditions, circumstances, or interpretations thereof exceed one hundred sixty-two thousand five hundred eighty-seven dollars and 00/100 (\$162,587.00).

## Section 5. Time of Performance

Time for performance of the Scope of Services under this Agreement shall begin with receipt of the Notice to Proceed and end no later than twenty-four (24) months thereafter. Contractor shall complete the tasks described in the Scope of Services, within this time or within such additional time as may be extended by the County.

## Section 6. Modifications and Waivers

- 6.1 The parties may not amend or waive this Agreement, except by a written agreement executed by both parties.
- 6.2 No failure or delay in exercising any right or remedy or requiring the satisfaction of any condition under this Agreement, and no course of dealing between the parties, operates as a waiver or estoppel of any right, remedy, or condition.

6.3 The rights and remedies of the parties set forth in this Agreement are not exclusive of, but are cumulative to, any rights or remedies now or subsequently existing at law, in equity, or by statute.

## Section 7. Termination

7.1 Termination for Convenience – County may terminate this Agreement at any time upon forty-eight (48) hours written notice.

## 7.2 Termination for Default

- 7.2.1 County may terminate the whole or any part of this Agreement for cause in the following circumstances:
- 7.2.1.1 If Contractor fails to perform services within the time specified in the Scope of Services or any extension thereof granted by the County in writing;
- 7.2.1.2 If Contractor materially breaches any of the covenants or terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement or fails to perform any of the other provisions of this Agreement or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in any of these circumstances does not cure such breach or failure to County's reasonable satisfaction within a period of ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice from County specifying such breach or failure.
- 7.2.2 If, after termination, it is determined for any reason whatsoever that Contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the County in accordance with Section 7.1 above.
- 7.3 Upon termination of this Agreement, County shall compensate Contractor in accordance with Section 3, above, for those services which were provided under this Agreement prior to its termination and which have not been previously invoiced to County. Contractor's final invoice for said services will be presented to and paid by County in the same manner set forth in Section 3 above.
- 7.4 If County terminates this Agreement as provided in this Section, no fees of any type, other than fees due and payable at the Termination Date, shall thereafter be paid to Contractor.

## Section 8. Ownership and Reuse of Documents

All documents, data, reports, research, graphic presentation materials, etc., developed by Contractor as a part of its work under this Agreement, shall become the property of County upon completion of this Agreement, or in the event of termination or cancellation thereof, at the time of payment under Section 3 for work performed. Contractor shall promptly furnish all such data and material to County on request.

## Section 9. Inspection of Books and Records

Contractor will permit County, or any duly authorized agent of County, to inspect and examine the books and records of Contractor for the purpose of verifying the amount of work performed under the Scope of Services. County's right to inspect survives the termination of this Agreement for a period of four years.

#### Section 10. Insurance

- 10.1 Prior to commencement of the Services, Contractor shall furnish County with properly executed certificates of insurance which shall evidence all insurance required and provide that such insurance shall not be canceled, except on 30 days' prior written notice to County. Contractor shall provide certified copies of insurance endorsements and/or policies if requested by County. Contractor shall maintain such insurance coverage from the time Services commence until Services are completed and provide replacement certificates, policies and/or endorsements for any such insurance expiring prior to completion of Services. Contractor shall obtain such insurance written on an Occurrence form (or a Claims Made form for Professional Liability insurance) from such companies having Best's rating of A/VII or better, licensed or approved to transact business in the State of Texas, and shall obtain such insurance of the following types and minimum limits:
- 10.1.1 Workers' Compensation insurance. Substitutes to genuine Workers' Compensation Insurance will not be allowed.
- 10.1.2 Employers' Liability insurance with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per injury by accident, \$1,000,000 per injury by disease, and \$1,000,000 per bodily injury by disease.
- 10.1.3 Commercial general liability insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the annual aggregate. Policy shall cover liability for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage and products/completed operations arising out of the business operations of the policyholder.
- 10.1.4 Business Automobile Liability insurance with a combined Bodily Injury/Property Damage limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each accident. The policy shall cover liability arising from the operation of licensed vehicles by policyholder.
- 10.1.5 Professional Liability insurance may be made on a Claims Made form with limits not less than \$1,000,000.
- 10.2 County and the members of Commissioners Court shall be named as additional insured to all required coverage except for Workers' Compensation and Professional Liability. All Liability policies including Workers' Compensation written on behalf of Contractor, excluding Professional Liability, shall contain a waiver of subrogation in favor of County and members of Commissioners Court.

10.3 If required coverage is written on a claims-made basis, Contractor warrants that any retroactive date applicable to coverage under the policy precedes the effective date of the contract; and that continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended discovery period will be exercised for a period of 2 years beginning from the time that work under the Agreement is completed.

#### Section 11. Indemnity

CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY AND DEFEND COUNTY AGAINST ALL LOSSES, LIABILITIES, CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, AND OTHER EXPENSES, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS FEES, ARISING FROM ACTIVITIES OF CONTRACTOR, ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES, PERFORMED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT THAT RESULT FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACT, ERROR, OR OMISSION OF CONTRACTOR OR ANY OF CONTRACTOR'S AGENTS, SERVANTS OR EMPLOYEES.

## Section 12. Confidential and Proprietary Information

- 12.1 Contractor acknowledges that it and its employees or agents may, in the course of performing their responsibilities under this Agreement, be exposed to or acquire information that is confidential to County. Any and all information of any form obtained by Contractor or its employees or agents from County in the performance of this Agreement shall be deemed to be confidential information of County ("Confidential Information"). Any reports or other documents or items (including software) that result from the use of the Confidential Information by Contractor shall be treated with respect to confidentiality in the same manner as the Confidential Information. Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include information that (a) is or becomes (other than by disclosure by Contractor) publicly known or is contained in a publicly available document; (b) is rightfully in Contractor's possession without the obligation of nondisclosure prior to the time of its disclosure under this Agreement; or (c) is independently developed by employees or agents of Contractor who can be shown to have had no access to the Confidential Information.
- at least the same degree of care that Contractor uses in maintaining the confidence, using at least the same degree of care that Contractor uses in maintaining the confidentiality of its own confidential information, and not to copy, reproduce, sell, assign, license, market, transfer or otherwise dispose of, give, or disclose Confidential Information to third parties or use Confidential Information for any purposes whatsoever other than the provision of Services to County hereunder, and to advise each of its employees and agents of their obligations to keep Confidential Information confidential. Contractor shall use its best efforts to assist County in identifying and preventing any unauthorized use or disclosure of any Confidential Information. Without limitation of the foregoing, Contractor shall advise County immediately in the event Contractor learns or has reason to believe that any person who has had access to Confidential Information has violated or intends to violate the terms of this Agreement and Contractor will at its expense cooperate with County in seeking injunctive or other equitable relief in the name of County or Contractor against any such person. Contractor agrees that, except as directed by County, Contractor will not at any time during

or after the term of this Agreement disclose, directly or indirectly, any Confidential Information to any person, and that upon termination of this Agreement or at County's request, Contractor will promptly turn over to County all documents, papers, and other matter in Contractor's possession which embody Confidential Information.

- 12.3 Contractor acknowledges that a breach of this Section, including disclosure of any Confidential Information, or disclosure of other information that, at law or in equity, ought to remain confidential, will give rise to irreparable injury to County that is inadequately compensable in damages. Accordingly, County may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the foregoing undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies that may be available. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the covenants contained herein are necessary for the protection of the legitimate business interest of County and are reasonable in scope and content.
- 12.4 Contractor in providing all services hereunder agrees to abide by the provisions of any applicable Federal or State Data Privacy Act.
- 12.5 Contractor expressly acknowledges that County is subject to the Texas Public Information Act, TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 552.001 *et seq.*, as amended, and notwithstanding any provision in the Agreement to the contrary, County will make any information related to the Agreement, or otherwise, available to third parties in accordance with the Texas Public Information Act. Any proprietary or confidential information marked as such provided to County by Consultant shall not be disclosed to any third party, except as directed by the Texas Attorney General in response to a request for such under the Texas Public Information Act, which provides for notice to the owner of such marked information and the opportunity for the owner of such information to notify the Attorney General of the reasons why such information should not be disclosed.

## Section 13. Independent Contractor

- 13.1 In the performance of work or services hereunder, Contractor shall be deemed an independent contractor, and any of its agents, employees, officers, or volunteers performing work required hereunder shall be deemed solely as employees of contractor or, where permitted, of its subcontractors.
- 13.2 Contractor and its agents, employees, officers, or volunteers shall not, by performing work pursuant to this Agreement, be deemed to be employees, agents, or servants of County and shall not be entitled to any of the privileges or benefits of County employment.

## Section 14. Notices

14.1 Each party giving any notice or making any request, demand, or other communication (each, a "Notice") pursuant to this Agreement shall do so in writing and shall use one of the following methods of delivery, each of which, for purposes of this Agreement, is a

writing: personal delivery, registered or certified mail (in each case, return receipt requested and postage prepaid), or nationally recognized overnight courier (with all fees prepaid).

14.2 Each party giving a Notice shall address the Notice to the receiving party at the address listed below or to another address designated by a party in a Notice pursuant to this Section:

County: Fort Bend County Engineering Department

Attn: County Engineer 301 Jackson Street Richmond, Texas 77469

With a copy to: Fort Bend County

Attn: County Judge

401 Jackson Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Richmond, Texas 77469

Contractor: Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc.

Attn: Dale Conger, President

13430 Northwest Freeway, Suite 1100

Houston, Texas 77040

14.3 A Notice is effective only if the party giving or making the Notice has complied with subsections 14.1 and 14.2 and if the addressee has received the Notice. A Notice is deemed received as follows:

14.3.1 If the Notice is delivered in person, or sent by registered or certified mail or a nationally recognized overnight courier, upon receipt as indicated by the date on the signed receipt.

14.3.2 If the addressee rejects or otherwise refuses to accept the Notice, or if the Notice cannot be delivered because of a change in address for which no Notice was given, then upon the rejection, refusal, or inability to deliver.

## Section 15. Compliance with Laws

Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of this Agreement, including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required by County, Contractor shall furnish County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified.

## **Section 16. Performance Warranty**

16.1 Contractor warrants to County that Contractor has the skill and knowledge ordinarily possessed by well-informed members of its trade or profession practicing in the

greater Houston metropolitan area and Contractor will apply that skill and knowledge with care and diligence to ensure that the Services provided hereunder will be performed and delivered in accordance with the highest professional standards.

16.2 Contractor warrants to County that the Services will be free from material errors and will materially conform to all requirements and specifications contained in the attached Exhibit A.

## Section 17. Assignment

- 17.1 Neither party may assign any of its rights under this Agreement, except with the prior written consent of the other party. That party shall not unreasonably withhold its consent. All assignments of rights are prohibited under this subsection, whether they are voluntarily or involuntarily, by merger, consolidation, dissolution, operation of law, or any other manner.
  - 17.2 Neither party may delegate any performance under this Agreement.
- 17.3 Any purported assignment of rights or delegation of performance in violation of this Section is void.

## Section 18. Applicable Law

The laws of the State of Texas govern all disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement. The parties hereto acknowledge that venue is proper in Fort Bend County, Texas, for all legal actions or proceedings arising out of or relating to this Agreement and waive the right to sue or be sued elsewhere. Nothing in the Agreement shall be construed to waive the County's sovereign immunity.

#### Section 19. Successors and Assigns

County and Contractor bind themselves and their successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the other party of this Agreement and to the successors, executors, administrators and assigns of the other party, in respect to all covenants of this Agreement.

## Section 20. Third Party Beneficiaries

This Agreement does not confer any enforceable rights or remedies upon any person other than the parties.

## Section 21. Severability

If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the remaining provisions remain in full force, if the essential terms and conditions of this Agreement for each party remain valid, binding, and enforceable.

## Section 22. Publicity

Contact with citizens of Fort Bend County, media outlets, or governmental agencies shall be the sole responsibility of County. Under no circumstances whatsoever, shall Contractor release any material or information developed or received in the performance of the Services hereunder without the express written permission of County, except where required to do so by law.

## Section 23. Captions

The section captions used in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and do not affect the interpretation or construction of this Agreement.

## Section 24. Conflict

In the event there is a conflict between this Agreement and the attached exhibits, this Agreement controls.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have signed or have caused their respective names to be signed to multiple counterparts to be effective on the date signed by the last party.

FORT BEND COUNTY	COBB, FENDLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC
Robert E. Hebert, County Judge	Dale Conger, President
Date	April 3, 2017  Date
ATTEST:	
Laura Richard, County Clerk	
APPROVED:	
Richard W. Stolleis, P.E., County Engine	eer
Marcus D. Spencer, First Assistant Cou	nty Attorney
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	Robert Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor
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# **EXHIBIT A**



March 27, 2017

Mr. Richard Stolleis, P.E. Fort Bend County Engineer 301 Jackson Street Houston, Texas 77451

Re: Professional Surveying & Engineering Services for Schematics, Final Design & ROW parcel M&B Revisions and Geotechnical Services Sansbury Boulevard, Project No. 13111

Dear Mr. Stolleis:

Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. (CobbFendley) hereby respectfully requests authorization to provide the County with bid ready construction documents in connection with revision of the proposed Sansbury Blvd. roadway alignment. The project limits are from Grand Estates Drive to Williams Way Blvd. intersections for approximately 2,900 LF.

CobbFendley shall perform and deliver the following professional surveying and engineering scope of services:

#### SCOPE OF SERVICES

#### **Additional Services**

- A. Surveying/Right of Way/M&B Sketches
  - 1. Reset new corners for the affected parcels along the ROW
  - 2. Provide revised meets and bound instruments and sketches for 6 parcels.

#### B. Traffic Data Collection

1. Obtain 24 hour Traffic Counts for the existing 3 approaches at the Grand Estates intersection and future Sansbury Blvd. to be performed by CJ Hench Data Collection

## **Basic Services**

- C. Engineering Design
  - 1. Review the proposed horizontal and vertical pavement geometrics including the lane configuration at the approaches to the Grand Estates and William Way intersections.
  - 2. Review the drainage study and verify the proposed drainage concept and storm sewer design
  - 3. Provide limited traffic engineering, obtain 24 hour traffic counts for the 3 existing approaches at the Grand Estates intersections for stop control study.
  - 4. Revise roadway paving C&G, drainage (culvert crossing), typical sections, TCP, signing and pavement markings, and SWPPP design plans.
  - 5. Quantity summary and cost estimate
  - 6. Produce updated signed and sealed bid ready construction documents.
  - 7. Preparation of the project manual and bid documents
  - 8. Assist the County during the bidding process
  - 9. Perform construction administration during the construction

13430 Northwest Frwy., Suite 1100 Houston, Texas 77040-6131 Voice (713) 462-3242 Fax (713) 462-3262 www.cobfen.com



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Basic Services	
Surveying, ROW mapping services & Instruments for 6 Parcels	\$15,885.00
Engineering Services Schematics, Final Design & Contract Phase	\$119,992.00
Total Basic Services	
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Additional Services	
Phase III Construction Phase Services (T&M)	\$25,000.00
Traffic Counts (3) performed by CJ Hench Data Collection	
Total Additional Services	\$26,200.00
Reimbursables	
Reimbursable Expenses	\$510.00
Total Reimbursables	\$510.00

## TOTAL AUTHORIZATION......\$162,587.00

The above basic and additional services will be performed for a total fee that will not exceed \$162,587.00 The additional services will be performed with prior authorization from Fort Bend County engineering.

## Schedule of Deliverables

CobbFendley will deliver the abovementioned scope of services within 120 days of receipt of approved authorization for performing the abovementioned scope of services.

We appreciate the opportunity to assist Fort Bend County Engineering on this important mobility project. If you should need any additional information don't hesitate to call me at (713) 462-3242.

Sincerely,

COBB, FENDLEY & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Mahmoud Salehi, P.E. Senior Project Manager

## **CERTIFICATE OF INTERESTED PARTIES**

FORM 1295

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Complete Nos. 1 - 4 and 6 if there are interested parties. Complete Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 if there are no interested parties.				OFFICE USE ONLY CERTIFICATION OF FILING				
of business.  Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc.  Houston, TX United States  Dat					Certificate Number: 2017-186754 Date Filed:			
2	Name of governmental entity or state agency that is a party to the being filed.	e contract for which the form is	04/03	04/03/2017				
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3	Provide the identification number used by the governmental entity or state agency to track or identify the contract, and provide a description of the services, goods, or other property to be provided under the contract.							
	13111 Engineering Services							
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5	Check only if there is NO Interested Party.							
6	AFFIDAVIT  MEGAN LESHER  Notory Public. Stote of Texas  Comm. Expires 10-16-2019  Notary ID 130405364  Signature of authorized agent of contracting business entity							
	Sworn to and subscribed before me, by the said May May May with this the 3 day of April .  20 11 , to certify which, witness my hand and seal of office.							
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