

Minutes of January 17, 2023 Mayor and Board of Aldermen

MUNICIPAL DOCKET
REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 17, 2023
THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, MISSISSIPPI
5:00 O'CLOCK P.M. LONG BEACH CITY HALL., 201 JEFF DAVIS AVE.

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUORUM
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS; PRESENTATIONS; PROCLAMATIONS
 - 1. Presentation – Harbor Update
- V. AMENDMENTS TO THE MUNICIPAL DOCKET
- VI. APPROVE MINUTES:
 - 1. MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN
 - a. January 3, 2023 Regular
 - b. January 10, 2023 Work Session – No Quorum
 - 2. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
 - a. January 12, 2023 Regular
- VII. APPROVE DOCKET OF CLAIMS NUMBER(S):
 - 1. 011723
- VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - 1. Contract – SCI Inc; North Jeff Davis Ave. Extension
- IX. NEW BUSINESS
 - 1. Schedule Work Session – Subdivision Ordinance & Food Truck Ordinance
 - 2. Mobile Vending – Mardi Gras Parade; Alderman Brown
 - 3. Special Event App – LB Chamber of Commerce; Touch-A-Truck
 - 4. Project Activation – Transportation Master Plan
 - 5. Change Order – Streetscape Signage; Orocon Construction
 - 6. Sub-Award Agreement – MCWI funds; 2021 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation
 - 7. Sub-Award Agreement – MCWI funds; 2022 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation
 - 8. Sub-Award Agreement – MCWI funds; Critical Drainage Improvements
 - 9. Grant Agreement – MS Development Authority; Quarles House
 - 10. Grant Agreement – MS Development Authority; Development & Revitalization
 - 11. Water Quality Issues – Anita Amos
- X. DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS
 - 1. MAYOR'S OFFICE
 - a. Traffic Study/Environmental Study
 - 2. PERSONNEL
 - a. Police Department – New Hire (2); Termination (1); Step Increase (7)
 - b. Fire Department – Step Increase (4)
 - c. Building Office – Education Pay (1)
 - 3. CITY CLERK
 - a. Cemetery Plot Purchase Request – Irma Jean Clay
 - b. Budget Amendment FY 23 – Public Works
 - c. Revenue/Expense Report December 2022
 - 4. FIRE DEPARTMENT
 - 5. POLICE DEPARTMENT
 - a. Lost, Stolen, Abandoned or Misplaced Personal Property
 - b. Surplus Property
 - 6. ENGINEERING
 - a. Change Order – Mitchell Road Drainage Imp; Lagniappe Construction
 - b. Change Order – City Hall HVAC; KBM Solutions
 - c. Delayed Asphalt Install Request – Bear Point Subdivision
 - d. 2022 ARPA/MCWI Applications – Round Two
 - 7. PUBLIC WORKS
 - a. Tree Removal – 159 Markham Drive
 - 8. RECREATION
 - 9. BUILDING OFFICE
 - a. Dynsmore Subdivision Fence
 - 10. HARBOR
 - 11. DERELICT PROPERTIES
 - a. Update 100 LaRosa Rd – Sheila Ladner
 - b. Update 307 W Old Pass Rd – Roy & Gwen Tootle
- XI. REPORT FROM CITY ATTORNEY
- XII. ADJOURN (OR) RECESS

Be it remembered that a regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, Long Beach, Mississippi, was begun and held at 5:00 o'clock p.m., Long Beach City Hall Meeting Room, 201 Jeff Davis Avenue, in said City, it being the third Tuesday in January, 2023, and the same being the time, date and place fixed by Laws of the State of Mississippi and ordinance of the City of Long Beach for holding said meeting.

There were present and in attendance on said board and at the meeting the following named persons: Mayor George L. Bass, Aldermen Donald Frazer (via telephone), Patrick Bennett, Bernie Parker, Angie Johnson, Timothy McCaffrey, Jr., Mike

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Brown, Pete L. McGoey, Deputy City Clerk Kini Gonsoulin, and City Attorney Stephen B. Simpson, Esq.

There being a quorum present sufficient to transact the business of the City, the following proceedings were had and done.

Mayor Bass provided an update on the Harbor repair efforts from Hurricane Zeta including the FEMA process and City Engineer David Ball provided explanation of design work for pier repairs and bulkhead expansion.

Alderman Johnson made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to approve the Regular minutes dated January 3, 2023 and Work Session minutes dated January 10, 2023 of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, as submitted.

Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to approve the Regular minutes of the Planning & Development Commission dated January 12, 2023, as submitted. During discussion Alderman Brown requested that City Engineer David Ball discuss with the developer ingress and egress turning lanes for the Castine Point subdivision.

Alderman McGoey made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to approve payment of invoices listed in Docket of Claims number 011723.

Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to table Contract – SCI Inc; North Jeff Davis Ave. Extension until the next meeting.

Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to re-schedule a work session to discuss Subdivision Ordinance & Food Truck Ordinance on Tuesday, January 31, 2023 at 5:00 p.m., Long Beach City Hall Meeting Room, 201 Jeff Davis Avenue, Long Beach, Mississippi.

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There came on for discussion Mobile Vending – Mardi Gras Parade, whereupon Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to allow mobile food vendors to obtain permits (no later than Thursday, February 9, 2023) and set up in an area designated by Building Official Mike Gundlach and Recreation Director Bob Paul for the 2023 Mardi Gras parade to be held on Saturday, February 11, 2023.

Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to approve the following Special Event Application submitted by Long Beach Chamber of Commerce for Touch-A-Truck:

March 18, 2023
Saturday
Touch-A-Truck
10:00am - 1:00pm
L.B. Harbor

CITY OF LONG BEACH
SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION

City Clerk's Office * 201 Jeff Davis Avenue * P.O. Box 929 * Long Beach, MS 39560

Date Received By Clerk's Office: 1/4/23 Time: 4:00 By: CS

Please complete this application in accordance with the City of LONG BEACH Special Events Policy, and return it to the Office of the Mayor at least 90 calendar days before the first day of the event.

Sponsoring Organization's Legal Name: Long Beach Chamber of Commerce (LBC) MS Gulf Coast

Organization Address: 11975 Seaway Road, Suite B120, Gulfport, MS 39503

Organization Agent: Matti Rae Seymour Title: Director

Phone: 228-604-0014 Home 228-297-6284 Cell 228-219-5804 During Event

Agent's Address: 11975 Seaway Road, Suite B120, Gulfport, MS 39503

Agent's E-Mail Address: mattirae@mscoastchamber.com

Event Name: Long Beach Chamber of Commerce Touch-A-Truck

Please give a brief description of the proposed special event:

This educational community event allows children and their families to interact with local companies, trucks and the community heroes that operate them.

Event Day (s) & Date (s): Saturday, March 18, 2023 Event Time (s): 10 am - 1 pm

Set-Up Date & Time: March 18th morning Tear-Down Date & Time: March 18, 1-3 pm

Event Location: Long Beach Harbor

ANNUAL EVENT: Is this event expected to occur next year? YES NO

How many years has this event occurred? 6 years

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MAP: (a) If your event will use streets or sidewalks (for a parade, run, etc.) or will use multiple locations, please attach a complete map showing the assembly and dispersal locations and the route plan. (b) Show any streets or parking lots that you are requesting to be blocked off, and location of vendors, if any. A final map, if different, must be provided seven (7) days before the event. (c) Please show an emergency vehicle access lane.

STREET CLOSURES: Start Date/Time: N/A Through Date/Time: N/A

RESERVED PARKING: Are you requesting reserved parking? YES **NO**

If yes, list the number of street spaces, City lots or locations where parking is requested:

VENDORS: Food Concessions? YES NO Other Vendors? YES **NO**

DO YOU PLAN TO HAVE ALCOHOL SOLD/SERVED AT THIS EVENT? YES **NO**

If yes, are liquor license and liquor liability insurance attached? YES NO
If yes, what time? _____ Until _____

ENTERTAINMENT: Are there any entertainment features related to this event? YES **NO**

If yes, provide an attachment listing all bands/performers, type of entertainment, and performance schedule.

ATTENDANCE: What is expected (estimated) attendance for this event? 800

AMUSEMENT: Do you plan to have any amusement or carnival rides? YES **NO**

If yes, you are requested to obtain a permit through the Building/Permit Department.

RESTROOMS: Are you planning to provide portable restrooms at the event? YES **NO**
If yes, how many?

As an event organizer, you must consider the availability of restroom facilities during this event. Consideration should be made regarding the type of event, the length of time it will be held, the number of people, etc. You must determine the restroom facilities in the immediate area of the event venue and then identify the potential need for portable facilities. Remember to identify accessible facilities for ADA requirements as well.

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OTHER REQUESTS: (i.e., Police Department assistance, Fire Department, Street closures, electrical, etc.)

Police Department assistance with traffic & barricades; participation from Police & Fire Departments; assistance with any requests from Harbor Master.

INSURANCE: All sponsors of special events must carry liability insurance with coverage of at least \$1,000,000 (1 million). An event sponsor must provide a valid certificate of insurance naming the City of Long Beach as an additional insured party on the policy. A sponsor of a Low Hazard event may request the Board of Aldermen waive the insurance requirement and execute a Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement. This event qualifies consideration for Low Hazard because:

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE: I understand and agree on behalf of the sponsoring organization that:

A certificate of Insurance must be provided which names the City of Long Beach as an additional named insured party on the policy or I am requesting the Board of Aldermen waive the insurance requirement for this Low Hazard Event as identified in the paragraph above related to insurance, and I have executed the Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement on behalf of the event sponsor.

All food vendors must be approved by the Harrison County Health Department, and each food or other vendor must provide the City of Long Beach with a Certificate of Insurance, which names the City of Long Beach as an additional named insured party on the policy.

The approval of this Special Event may include additional requirements or limitations, based on the City's review of this application.

Applicants who fail to clean up and repair damages to the Event Area may be billed for City services and such failure will be considered for future applications.

As the duly authorized agent of the sponsoring organization, I am applying for approval of this Special Event, affirm the above understandings and agree that my sponsoring organization will comply with the terms of the written confirmation of approval and all other City requirements, ordinances, and other laws, which apply to this Special Event. By signing this Special Event Application, I declare I am 21 years of age or older.

1/3/23
Date

Adele Lyons
Signature of Sponsoring Organization's Agent
Adele Lyons, CEO

**RETURN THIS APPLICATION at least ninety (90) days before the first day of the event to:
City of Long Beach * Mayor's Office * 201 Jeff Davis Ave. * P. O. Box 929 * Long Beach, MS
39560**

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Event Title: Touch Truck 3/18/23 - 10:00 - 1:00

DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY: Please contact applicant directly with any questions or concerns. Sign and return to the City Clerk's Office, as soon as possible.

Approvals noted below, by departments, indicate they have been made aware of the request and the reasonability of their department has been met.

Police Dept: WR Recommended Approval: YES NO Est. Economic Impact: \$ 0

Fire Dept: SS Recommended Approval: YES NO Est. Economic Impact: \$ 0

Public Works: J Recommended Approval: YES NO Est. Economic Impact: \$ 0

Traffic Eng: _____ Recommended Approval: YES NO Est. Economic Impact: \$ _____

Parks/Rec: RJP Recommended Approval: YES NO Est. Economic Impact: \$ 0

Have businesses been notified for street closures?: YES NO

Reason for disapproval: _____

Any special requirements/conditions: _____

Insurance/Indemnification Received: _____

Insurance Approved: _____

Board of Aldermen Approved: _____ Denied: _____

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LONG BEACH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TOUCH-A-TRUCK



MARCH 18, 2023 · 10 A.M. TO 1 P.M.

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CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
1/4/2023

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

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

PRODUCER BXS Insurance 2909 13th Street, 4th Floor Gulfport MS 39501	CONTACT NAME: Jackie Hoda PHONE (A/C No, Ext): 12285636140 FAX (A/C No): 228-663-1957 E-MAIL ADDRESS: jackie.hoda@bksi.com
INSURED MS Gulf Coast Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 11975 Seaway Road Suite B-120 Gulfport MS 39503	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE NAIC # INSURER A : Philadelphia Indemnity Ins Co. 18058 INSURER B : FFVA Mutual Insurance Co. 10385 INSURER C : INSURER D : INSURER E : INSURER F :

COVERAGES **CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 464320989** **REVISION NUMBER:**

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

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS	
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:			PHPK2411016	5/15/2022	5/15/2023	EACH OCCURRENCE	\$ 1,000,000
							DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence)	\$ 100,000
							MED EXP (Any one person)	\$ 5,000
							PERSONAL & ADV INJURY	\$ 1,000,000
A	<input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> AUTOS ONLY			PHPK2411016	5/15/2022	5/15/2023	COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident)	\$ 1,000,000
							BODILY INJURY (Per person)	\$
							BODILY INJURY (Per accident)	\$
							PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident)	\$
	<input type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB						EACH OCCURRENCE	\$
							AGGREGATE	\$
B	<input type="checkbox"/> WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below			WC84000283352022A	4/23/2022	4/23/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER	
							E.L. EACH ACCIDENT	\$ 1,000,000
							E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE	\$ 1,000,000
							E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT	\$ 1,000,000

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)
 General Liability - Additional Insured & Waiver of Subrogation when required by Written Contract Form; Work Comp Waiver of Subrogation when required by written contract
 Event March 18, 2023 - "Touch a Truck", located at Long Beach Harbor, West Side, 770 S Cleveland Avenue, Long Beach MS 39560

CERTIFICATE HOLDER City of Long Beach 201 Jeff Davis Ave Long Beach MS 39560	CANCELLATION SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
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Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman McGoey and unanimously carried to approve the following activation packet for the Transportation Master Plan (Long Beach) project, and authorize the Mayor to execute same:

City of Long Beach



January 17, 2023

David Seyfarth, P.E.
District 6, LPA Coordinator
Mississippi Department of Transportation
16499 Highway 49
Saucier, MS 39574-9740

Reference – Transportation Master Plan (Long Beach)

Dear Mr. Seyfarth,

The City of Long Beach respectfully requests the Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) activate the above referenced project. This project will include a city-wide Transportation Master Plan.

Enclosed, please find a vicinity map, a copy of the most current audit on file with the State of Mississippi Office of the State Auditor, and a copy of the LPA certificate for the LPA Project Director, Kini Gonsoulin.

The point of contact for The City of Long Beach regarding this project will be our Finance Officer/Deputy City Clerk, Kini Gonsoulin. Ms. Gonsoulin may be reached at (228) 863-1556 or kini@cityoflongbeachms.com. I will serve as the LPA Official and can be reached at (228) 863-1556 or mayor@cityoflongbeachms.com.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George L. Bass". The signature is stylized and cursive.

George L. Bass
Mayor

Enclosures

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Mississippi Gulf Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization
 FY2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

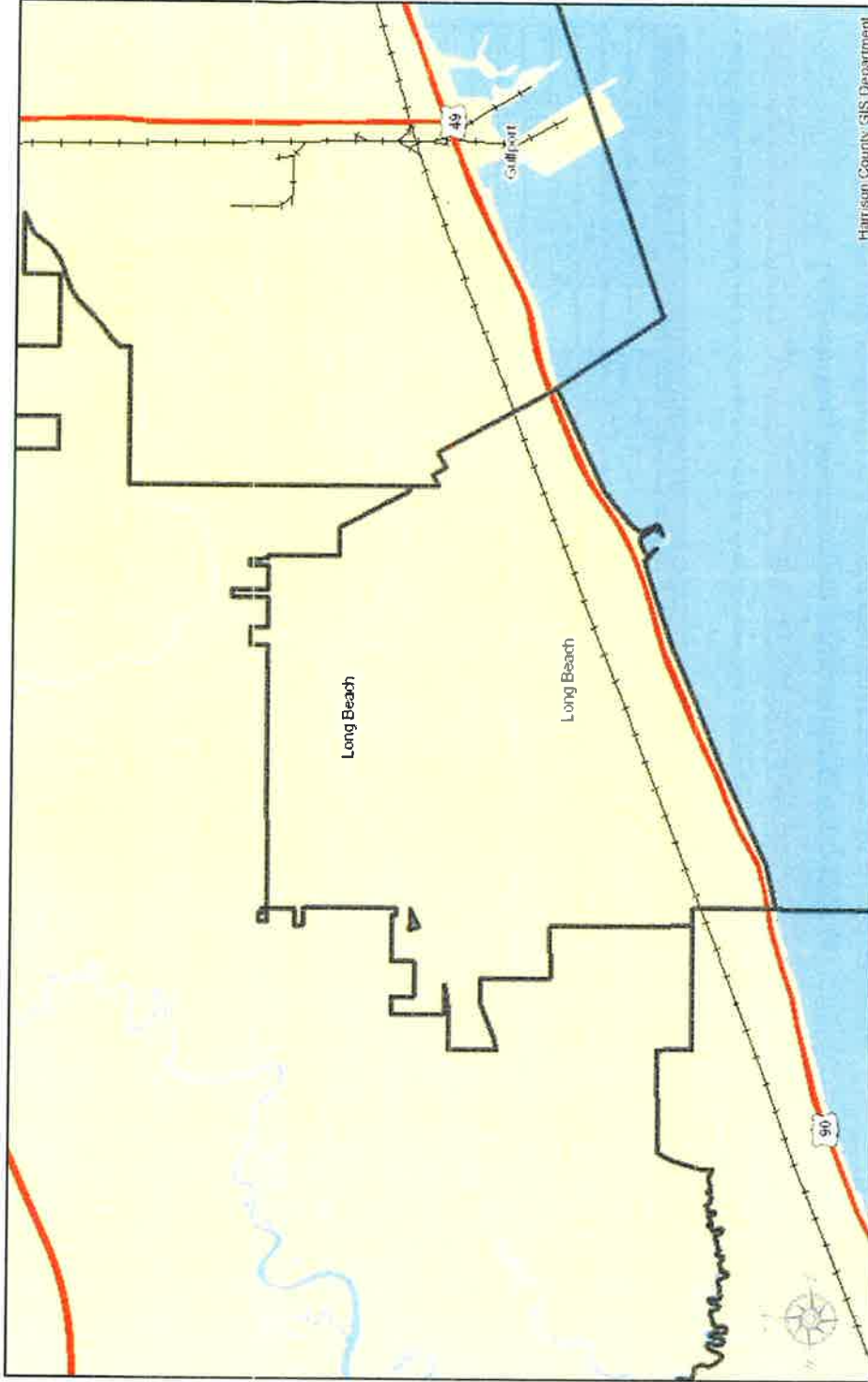
Studies/Projects Group

Project "Scoping" is the phase in the Project Development process that moves a recognized problem from an idea through the development of alternatives and environmental screening.

Agency	Project Description	Phase	Funding	Date added	Fed. Funds	TIP Year
Bay St. Louis	Multiuse Pathway Study	Scoping	TMA - STBG	8/23/2018	\$8,000	2020
Gulfport	Pavement Management	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$60,000	2023
Bay St. Louis	City ADA Improvements	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$50,000	2023
Long Beach	Beatline Parkway	ENV	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$150,000	2022
			HIP Congressional Earmark	12/8/2022	\$150,000	2023
Gautier	Railroad Crossing Overpass	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/5/2019	\$56,888	2021
Diamondhead	City Wayfinding Study	Scoping	TMA - STBG	5/28/2021	\$58,500	2023
Biloxi	Woolmarket Traffic Study	Scoping	TMA - STBG	9/28/2021	\$24,000	2022
Ocean Springs	US 90 @ Washington Avenue & MLK JR	Scoping	TMA - STBG	5/26/2022	\$120,000	2023
Long Beach	Transportation Master Plan	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/8/2022	\$80,000	2023
GRPC	Airport Connector Feasibility Study	Scoping	TMA - STBG	12/8/2022	\$80,000	2023

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Transportation Master Plan

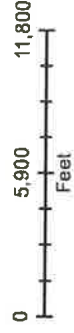


HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI



DISCLAIMER: THIS MAP IS FOR PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT PURPOSES ONLY. IT WAS CONSTRUCTED FROM PROPERTY INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE REGISTER OF DEEDS AND IS NOT CONCLUSIVE AS TO LOCATION OF PROPERTY OR LEGAL OWNERSHIP.
TAL FLURY, TAX ASSESSOR

MAP DATE: January 12, 2023



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THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

hereby recognizes

Kini Gonsoulin
City of Long Beach

for completing 7 Professional Development Hours during

*The Local Public Agency Process
Training & Certification.*

APRIL 21, 2021

DATE CERTIFICATE VALID
FOR TWO YEARS FROM DATE
OF ISSUE



Shirley Johnson
SHIRLEY JOHNSON
MS LTAP DIRECTOR

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Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and
unanimously carried to approve the following Change Order with Orocon Construction
for the Streetscape Signage project:



Mailing:
307 De La Mare Avenue
Fairhope, AL 36532

1011 Desoto Street
Ocean Springs, MS 39564

T : 855.539.5086
M : 228.547.8586
F : 855.539.5086

christianpreus.com

January 12, 2023

City of Long Beach
Attn: Honorable Mayor George Bass

REGARDING: Long Beach Streetscape Signage – Change Order # 1

Dear Mayor:

The piles for the original Gateway project were designed primarily for the tower and plaza, and to keep the construction methods the same, they were called out for the monument sign as well. When the reduced package was issued for the Streetscape Signage bid, the piling detail was not changed.

After consulting with our Structural Engineer (Simpkins & Castelli), they reviewed the geo-tech report, and concluded that the piling design could be changed to timber piles. However, the pylon sign designs had to be adjusted to meet the wave force requirements, and this added pre-cast material to the base of the pylons.

After review of this potential change order, our design team approves the credit amount of **(-\$74,879.00)** and requests that the funds remain in the project account until the appropriate time for unforeseen conditions or changes.

Sincerely,

Christian Preus, PLA

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January 9, 2023

Mr. Christian Preus
Christian Preus Landscape Architecture
1011 Desoto Street
Ocean Springs, MS 39564

Re: Long Beach Streetscape Signage Project

Subject: COR No. 01 – Pile Revisions

Dear Mr. Preus,

Please find enclosed Orocon Construction's cost breakdown of COR No. 01 for revising the piles from 14" HSS steel pile to 10" timber piles along with revisions to the concrete in accordance with the structural drawings dated December 2, 2022.

Orocon Construction, LLC respectfully offers a **credit** for the referenced scope of work in the amount of **Seventy-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars and Zero Cents (\$74,879.00)**. In addition, Orocon requests **Zero (0)** calendar days to be added to our contract for this modification.

Sincerely,
Orocon Construction, LLC

Charlie Warden
Senior Project Manager



CHANGE ORDER REQUEST

TO:	Mr. Christian Preus Christian Preus Landscape Architecture 1011 Desoto Street Ocean Springs, MS 39564	FROM:	Charlie Warden Orocon Construction, LLC 325 Reynoir Street Biloxi, MS 39530
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PROJECT:	Long Beach Streetscape Signage	CHANGE ORDER REQUEST NO.:	01
C.O.R. TITLE:	Pile Revisions	DATE:	01/09/23

DESCRIPTION:

The below cost breakdown is for the revising the piles from 14" HSS steel pile to 10" timber piles along with revisions to the concrete in accordance with the structural drawings dated December 2, 2022. Also, included is the cost breakdown for the revisions to the precast pylons associated with the wave loads required through RFI No. 2.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	UOM	Unit Price	TOTAL
1	Pile Revisions	1	LS	\$ (82,144.00)	\$ (82,144.00)
2	Concrete Revisions	1	LS	\$ (1,080.00)	\$ (1,080.00)
3	Pylon Revision due to Wave Load	1	LS	\$ 8,750.00	\$ 8,750.00
4	Reduction of Concrete at Pylons	1	LS	\$ (405.00)	\$ (405.00)

TOTAL	\$ (74,879.00)
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Submitted by:
Orocon Construction, LLC

Charlie Warden

1/9/23
Date

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Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to approve the following Sub-Award Agreement with Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant for the 2021 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation project and authorize the Mayor to execute same:

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPALITY AND COUNTY WATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT**

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HINDS**

MDEQ AGREEMENT NO. 428-1-CW-5.5

SUBAWARD AGREEMENT

This document is a Subaward Agreement (this "Agreement") between the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality ("MDEQ"), a Pass-through entity as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, and City of Long Beach, UEI Number: V3P3M7MCNMX8 ("SUBRECIPIENT", and together with MDEQ, the "Parties", and each, a "Party") to provide grant funds for the Work conducted under the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure ("MCWI") Grant Program (the "Program") as specified in Article 4.

1. SOURCE OF FUNDS

The grant funds provided by this Agreement are made available pursuant to the MCWI Grant Program Act of 2022, Mississippi Senate Bill 2822, 2022 Regular Session (April 26, 2022), provided through funds awarded to the State of Mississippi pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA"), Public Law 117-2 (March 11, 2021), provided through the U.S. Department of Treasury pursuant to Federal Award #SLFRP0003 and CFDA No. 21.027 (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) awarded on May 10, 2021, and subsequently to MDEQ through Mississippi Senate Bill 3056, 2022 Regular Session (April 26, 2022).

2. PROJECT

Under this Agreement, MDEQ agrees to disburse funds to SUBRECIPIENT in accordance with the terms herein to reimburse the costs associated with SUBRECIPIENT's implementation of the project entitled "2021 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation" (the "Project").

3. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Project is to make a necessary investment in an upgrade to SUBRECIPIENT's existing sewage infrastructure. The Project is not for Research and Development.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

SUBRECIPIENT shall perform the tasks as described and identified in Attachment "A", Scope of Work (the "Work").

5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SUBRECIPIENT is subject to U.S. Treasury's regulations governing ARPA, and all applicable terms and conditions in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 of the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") Uniform Guidance for Grants and Cooperative Agreements, as amended, including

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Appendix II to Part 200, and all other OMB circulars, executive orders or other federal laws or regulations applicable to the services provided under this Agreement. All of these terms and conditions of this Agreement apply to SUBRECIPIENT and, as applicable, its Contractors/Contracted Parties.

6. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The Period of Performance shall commence upon the execution of this Agreement and shall end on **September 30, 2026**. Costs incurred on March 3, 2021, or thereafter, but prior to the commencement of the Period of Performance may be reimbursed provided MDEQ determines such costs are allowable and eligible. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to complete all tasks included in the Scope of Work within this Period of Performance, unless otherwise specified in writing by MDEQ. If, at any time during the Period of Performance of this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT determines, based on the Work performed to date, that the Work cannot be completed within the Period of Performance, SUBRECIPIENT shall so notify MDEQ immediately in writing.

Failure to adhere to the requirements placed on MCWI funds can result in termination of this Agreement and may result in a demand for repayment by MDEQ. Moreover, if MDEQ is required to return any funds as a result of misspending on the part of SUBRECIPIENT, MDEQ reserves the right to seek and receive repayment of the amount of funds in question.

7. CONSIDERATION AND PAYMENT

A. *Project Cost.* The total Project cost shall not exceed **\$341,004.00**, with said amount broken down as follows:

i. MCWI Grant Funds shall not exceed **\$170,502.00**;

ii. The Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("LFRF") received by SUBRECIPIENT from the U.S. Treasury or the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration used as matching funds in this Agreement shall not exceed **\$170,502.00**;

iii. Any LFRF transferred to SUBRECIPIENT from a county or municipality ("Transferred LFRF") shall not exceed **\$0.00**;

iv. Any other funds that SUBRECIPIENT obligates(ed) to the project that are not eligible for MCWI match ("Other Funds") shall not exceed **\$0.00**.

B. Professional fees that will be reimbursed with MCWI Grant Funds shall not exceed **\$13,640.16**. This amount is included in, and is not in addition to, the maximum MCWI Grant Funds specified in Article 7.A.i, above and Article 7.C., below.

SUBRECIPIENT understands and acknowledges that the amount of professional fees, as defined in the MCWI Regulations, Rule 1.1 E. (18), that may be matched with MCWI Grant Funds is limited to no more than 4% of the total amount of costs actually incurred on the Project, which in no case may be more than the total Project cost set forth in Article 7.A., above.

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C. *Consideration.* As consideration for the performance of the tasks included in this Agreement, MDEQ agrees to reimburse SUBRECIPIENT an amount not to exceed **One Hundred Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Two Dollars and Zero Cents (\$170,502.00)** (the "Maximum Amount").

MDEQ is under no obligation to provide funds to SUBRECIPIENT if SUBRECIPIENT has not met, or does not continue to meet, minimum federal requirements to receive funds, such as but not limited to, adhering to applicable procurement requirements found in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 *et al.* Moreover, MDEQ bears no responsibility relative to SUBRECIPIENT's expenditure of its own funds. To that end, in the process of review of documentation for reimbursement, as well as compliance monitoring activities associated with the Program, MDEQ is not responsible or liable for any expenditure made by SUBRECIPIENT with its funds. As such, SUBRECIPIENT is solely responsible for compliance with federal and state requirements associated with its LFRF, its LFRF Transferred Funds, and any other funds it uses towards its Project that are not a part of the MCWI Grant Funds. SUBRECIPIENT must substantiate all expenditures in a compliant manner. MDEQ is under no obligation to reimburse costs incurred that are not demonstrably compliant with federal and state law.

D. *Payment.* Subject to available funding, as set forth in the terms and conditions of this Agreement, MDEQ shall pay all properly invoiced amounts due to SUBRECIPIENT within forty-five (45) days after MDEQ's receipt of such invoice, except for any amounts disputed by MDEQ in good faith. Legislative approval may be required where MDEQ receives any claim of payment from SUBRECIPIENT that includes Work performed outside a one (1) year period from receipt of such invoice.

i. *Request for Payment.* SUBRECIPIENT shall request payment of funds hereunder for Project costs on a reimbursement basis (such requests, "Reimbursement Requests"), unless otherwise directed by MDEQ. SUBRECIPIENT shall submit Reimbursement Requests and supporting documentation of costs incurred as required by MDEQ to the MCWI Reimbursement Portal, located at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>. All Reimbursement Requests for time periods ending June 30 of any year, during the Period of Performance under this Agreement, shall be submitted no later than July 31 of that same year. Final invoice(s) shall be submitted to MDEQ no later than September 30, 2026. The Reimbursement Request shall include, at a minimum, breakdowns of personnel, position, dates worked, tasks performed, and totals for contract costs, materials, supplies and equipment, included in the Reimbursement Request. SUBRECIPIENT shall make Reimbursement Requests in accordance with the following procedures and subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. SUBRECIPIENT may make Reimbursement Requests no more frequently than once monthly during the Period of Performance of this Agreement.

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2. SUBRECIPIENT shall request payment under this Agreement only for the costs necessary to complete the Scope of Work specifically stated and required under this Agreement.

3. SUBRECIPIENT shall not request payment under this Agreement for other services or other work the SUBRECIPIENT or its contractors may provide under any other Subaward or Contract not related to this Project.

4. SUBRECIPIENT shall provide on each Reimbursement Request the amount of its LFRF, Transferred LFRF and Other Funds expended. SUBRECIPIENT shall also provide the amount requested for professional fees. MDEQ will then determine the amount of MCWI Grant Funds that each Reimbursement Request qualifies for within the Program regulations and procedures.

5. SUBRECIPIENT understands that no payment, including final payment, shall be interpreted as acceptance of defective and incomplete Work, and SUBRECIPIENT shall remain responsible for performance in strict compliance with this Agreement. If MDEQ rejects, condemns or fails to approve any part of the Scope of Work, it may issue a Notice to Cure or terminate this Agreement.

6. MDEQ reserves the right to refuse to pay all or any part of the funds requested in a Reimbursement Request for any of the following reasons: 1) at MDEQ's discretion, the costs SUBRECIPIENT is seeking reimbursement for are not reasonable or necessary for the completion of the Work in this Agreement, 2) at MDEQ's discretion, the costs are ineligible for reimbursement under this Project, 3) at the time the request is submitted SUBRECIPIENT has failed to comply with any term or condition of this Agreement, 4) at the time the request is submitted the SUBRECIPIENT has otherwise failed to perform the Work to date in accordance with the Scope of Work, or 5) at the time the request is submitted the SUBRECIPIENT has otherwise failed to comply with applicable state, federal, or local laws and regulations.

ii. *Indirect Cost Rate.* Reimbursement of indirect costs and/or overhead is not allowed under this Agreement.

E. *Limitations on Expenditures.* MDEQ shall reimburse SUBRECIPIENT only for documented expenditures incurred on or after March 3, 2021: (i) reasonable and necessary to carry out the Scope of Work described in Attachment A; (ii) documented by contracts or other evidence of liability and (iii) incurred in accordance with all applicable requirements for the expenditure of funds payable under this Agreement.

F. *Improper Payments.* Any item of expenditure by SUBRECIPIENT under the terms of this Agreement which is found by auditors, investigators, other authorized

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representatives of MDEQ, the U.S. Treasury, the Mississippi State Auditor or other federal or state instrumentality to be improper, unallowable, in violation of federal or state law, or the terms of this Agreement, or involving any fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading representations or activities of SUBRECIPIENT shall become SUBRECIPIENT's liability, and shall be paid solely by SUBRECIPIENT, immediately upon notification of such, from funds other than those provided by MDEQ under this Agreement. This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Any funds that are paid by MDEQ to SUBRECIPIENT that are not necessary for the completion of the Work in this Agreement and/or that are deemed ineligible must be returned to MDEQ immediately upon receiving MDEQ's written notification for return of funds.

G. *Clawback.* If funds are expended improperly or if an expense submitted for reimbursement is disallowed or deemed ineligible under federal, state or local laws and regulations, then payments to SUBRECIPIENT may be subject to clawback by MDEQ, the State of Mississippi or the U.S. Treasury.

8. AMENDMENTS OR MODIFICATION

This Agreement may only be amended, modified, or supplemented by written agreement signed by the Parties hereto.

9. PROGRESS REPORTS

SUBRECIPIENT shall provide required progress reports during the Period of Performance of this Agreement in a format prescribed by MDEQ. These reports shall be submitted in accordance with the following schedule, which may be amended from time to time:

<u>REPORTING PERIOD</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
October – December	January 15
January – March	April 15
April – June	July 15
July – September	October 15

This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement with respect to any reports which SUBRECIPIENT is required to submit to MDEQ following the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

10. FAILURE TO TIMELY PERFORM

SUBRECIPIENT shall take all reasonable measures to ensure MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF used for MCWI matching funds are obligated by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024. SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges and agrees that its failure to obligate MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF used for MCWI matching funds by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024, may result in MDEQ modifying the MCWI Grant Funds awarded or terminating this Agreement.

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If SUBRECIPIENT refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof authorized by MDEQ or if SUBRECIPIENT otherwise fails to satisfy the Agreement provisions or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, MDEQ may notify SUBRECIPIENT in writing of the delay or nonperformance. If such delay or nonperformance is not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by MDEQ, MDEQ may terminate SUBRECIPIENT's right to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to perform properly.

Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement and subject to any directions by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall take timely, reasonable, and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of SUBRECIPIENT in which the State has an interest.

11. FINAL PAYMENT AND REPORT

When SUBRECIPIENT has performed all the Work, SUBRECIPIENT shall transmit to MDEQ a comprehensive report on the Work in a format prescribed by MDEQ (the "Final Report"). The Final Report shall be provided by SUBRECIPIENT to MDEQ within forty-five (45) days of Project completion in a format prescribed by MDEQ. Upon acceptance of Final Report, MDEQ will process final Reimbursement Request.

Upon satisfactory completion of the Work performed under this Agreement, as a condition before final payment under this Agreement or as a termination settlement under this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall certify to MDEQ, on a form provided by MDEQ, that the final payment amount is the remaining amount that SUBRECIPIENT is owed under this Agreement and that no additional payment for its Work under this Project will be submitted for reimbursement. Unless otherwise provided in the Agreement, by state law or otherwise expressly agreed to by the Parties in this Agreement, final payment under this Agreement or settlement upon termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of MDEQ's claims against SUBRECIPIENT or its sureties under this Agreement.

In consideration of the execution of this Agreement by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT agrees that acceptance of final payment from MDEQ will constitute an agreement by SUBRECIPIENT to release and forever discharge MDEQ, its agents, employees, officers, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns from any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, actions, causes of action or suits of any nature whatsoever, which SUBRECIPIENT has at the time of acceptance of final payment or may thereafter have, arising out of, in connection with or in any way relating to any and all injuries and damages of any kind as a result of or in any way relating to this Agreement.

12. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

MDEQ requires that SUBRECIPIENT have in place, prior to the receipt of funds, a financial management system that will be able to isolate and trace every dollar funded under this Agreement from receipt to expenditure and have on file appropriate support documentation for each transaction. Examples of documentation include but are not limited to copies of checks paid to vendors, vendor invoices, bills of lading, purchase vouchers, payrolls, bank statements and reconciliations, and real property and easement appraisals. Prior to the submittal of any such

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documentation to MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall redact, in accordance with the definition of "Protected Personally Identifiable Information" ("Protected PII") as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, all information reflecting an individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of types of information, including, but not limited to, social security number, passport number, credit card numbers, clearances, bank numbers, biometrics, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, criminal, medical and financial records, educational transcripts. This does not include PII as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1 that is required by law to be disclosed. SUBRECIPIENT and any Contracted Parties (as such term is defined in Article 13 of this Agreement) are limited to the travel rates of the State of Mississippi, including dining and hotels, in place at the time of the expenditure for which reimbursement is sought; and SUBRECIPIENT shall audit any such invoice for same, clearly indicating the actual expense and the adjustment, if any.

SUBRECIPIENT certifies that all information provided to MDEQ or its representatives as part of the initial risk assessment for this Work is complete and accurate. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to submit to and cooperate with MDEQ in any additional risk assessment evaluation and periodic audit procedures to ensure adequate financial management of all funds. Further, SUBRECIPIENT shall continue to implement any recommendations and/or corrective action plan set forth in the report transmitted to SUBRECIPIENT based on the findings of the systems and processes for financial management, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "B" and incorporated herein in its entirety.

13. **CONTRACTS**

SUBRECIPIENT shall be responsible for accountability of funds, compliance with Project specifications, and Project management by its contractors. MDEQ shall not bear responsibility for any liability caused or incurred by any contractor in performing Work. MDEQ shall not be deemed by virtue of this Agreement to have any contractual obligation to, or relationship with, any of SUBRECIPIENT's contractors, and the Parties agree and acknowledge that, as between MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT, all Work shall be deemed to be the responsibility of, and performed by, SUBRECIPIENT. No contractor or other recipient of funds from MDEQ under this Agreement shall be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee or servant of MDEQ in connection with this Agreement. The parties with whom contracts or subaward agreements are entered into by the SUBRECIPIENT shall be referred to herein as "Contractor", "Contracted Party", or "Contracted Parties". In addition to ensuring that its Contracted Parties follow the applicable terms in this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall require all terms and conditions set forth in Attachments "A" and "C" attached hereto to be included in all agreements between the SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Parties, and in all agreements between Contracted Parties and Contracted Parties' contractors/sub-contractors.

14. **APPLICABLE LAW**

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Mississippi and applicable federal law excluding, its conflict of laws provisions, and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the State. SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:

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A. *Authorizing Statutes.* Section 603 of the *Social Security Act* (42 U.S.C. § 803), as added by section 9901(a) of the *American Rescue Plan Act of 2021* (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and Mississippi Senate Bill No. 2822, entitled the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program Act of 2022, Regular Session 2022 (April 26, 2022).

B. *Implementing Regulations.* Subpart A of 31 C.F.R. Part 35 (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds), as adopted in the *Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds* interim final rule (86 Fed. Reg. 26786, applicable May 17, 2021 through March 31, 2022) and final rule (87 Fed. Reg. 4338, applicable January 27, 2022 through the end of the ARP/CSLFRF award term), and other subsequent regulations implementing Section 603 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 803), as well as MDEQ regulations, entitled "Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality Regulations for the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program."

C. *Guidance Documents.* Applicable guidance documents issued from time-to-time by the US Department of Treasury and MDEQ, including the currently applicable version of the *Compliance and Reporting Guidance: State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds*.¹

D. *Licenses, Certifications, Permits, Accreditation.* SUBRECIPIENT shall obtain and keep current any license, certification, permit, or accreditation required by federal, state, or local law and shall submit to MDEQ proof of any licensure, certification, permit or accreditation upon request.

15. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

It is expressly understood and agreed that the obligation of MDEQ to proceed under this Agreement is conditioned upon the availability of the funds from state, federal, and/or other funding sources. If the funds anticipated for the continuing fulfillment of the Agreement are, at any time, not forthcoming or insufficient, either through the failure of the federal government to provide funds or of the State of Mississippi to appropriate funds or the discontinuance or material alteration of the program under which funds were provided or if funds are not otherwise available to MDEQ, MDEQ shall have the right upon ten (10) working days written notice to the SUBRECIPIENT, to terminate this Agreement without damage, penalty, cost or expenses to MDEQ of any kind whatsoever. The effective date of termination shall be as specified in the notice of termination.

16. REPRESENTATION REGARDING CONTINGENT FEES

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it has not retained a person to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

¹ <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>.

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17. **REPRESENTATION REGARDING GRATUITIES**

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it has not violated, is not violating, and promises that it will not violate the prohibition against gratuities set forth in Section 6-204 (Gratuities) of the *Mississippi Public Procurement Review Board Office of Personal Service Contract Review Rules and Regulations* and Section 9.105 (Gratuities) of the Mississippi Procurement Manual.

18. **UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, 2 C.F.R. Part 200 ("UG"), as adopted by the Department of Treasury at 2 C.F.R. Part 1000 and as set forth in the Assistance Listing for ARP/CSLFRF (21.027). These requirements dictate how SUBRECIPIENT must administer the Subaward and how MDEQ must oversee SUBRECIPIENT. As a condition of receipt of the grant funds authorized in this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to watch the video entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview" found at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>.

The applicable UG provisions are as follows:

- Subpart A, Acronyms and Definitions;
- Subpart B, General Provisions;
- Subpart C, Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards (except 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.204, .205, .210, and .213);
- Subpart D, Post Federal Award Requirements (except 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.305(b)(8) and (9), .308, .309, and .320(c)(4));
- Subpart E, Cost Principles;
- Subpart F, Audit Requirements;
- 2 C.F.R. Part 25 (Universal Identifier and System for Award Management);
- 2 C.F.R. Part 170 (Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information); and
- 2 C.F.R. Part 180 (OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)).

SUBRECIPIENT shall document compliance with UG requirements, including adoption and implementation of all required policies and procedures, within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Agreement and during all subsequent reviews during the term of the Agreement. It is SUBRECIPIENT's responsibility to comply with all UG requirements. Failure to do so may result in termination of the Agreement by MDEQ.

All real property acquired or improved, and equipment or supplies purchased in whole or in part with MCWI Grant Funds and/or LFRF, must be used, insured, managed, and disposed of in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.311 through 2 C.F.R. § 200.316.

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19. SUBAWARDS

If SUBRECIPIENT is authorized by MDEQ to make a Subaward, SUBRECIPIENT must include and incorporate the terms and conditions of this Agreement and any attachments, in all lower tier Subawards. Further, SUBRECIPIENT, who makes a Subaward, must follow and carry out all the responsibilities of a Pass-through entity described at 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

20. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

SUBRECIPIENT understands that MDEQ is an equal opportunity employer and therefore, maintains a policy which prohibits unlawful discrimination based on race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, physical handicap, disability, genetic information, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. All such discrimination is unlawful, and SUBRECIPIENT agrees during the Period of Performance of the Agreement that SUBRECIPIENT will strictly adhere to this policy in its employment practices and work performance under this Agreement. SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with, and all activities under this Agreement shall be subject to, all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, as now existing and as may be amended or modified.

Nothing contained in this Agreement may be deemed or construed in any way to stop, limit, or impair MDEQ from exercising or performing any regulatory, legislative, governmental, or other powers or functions.

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under ARPA, including the information provided by the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Final Rule.²

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under Mississippi Senate Bill 2822 of the 2022 Legislative Session.³

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under by the Regulations promulgated by MDEQ.⁴

21. STOP WORK ORDER

A. *Order to Stop Work:* MDEQ may, by written order to SUBRECIPIENT at any time and without notice to any surety, require SUBRECIPIENT to stop all or any part of the Work called for by this Agreement. This order shall be for a specified period not exceeding ninety (90) days after the order is delivered to SUBRECIPIENT, unless the Parties agree to any further period. Any such order shall be identified specifically as a stop work order issued pursuant to this clause. Upon receipt of such an order, SUBRECIPIENT shall forthwith comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the occurrence of costs allocable to the Work covered by the order during the period of work

² <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-01-27/pdf/2022-00292.pdf>

³ <https://mswaterinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Mississippi-Senate-Bill-2822.pdf>

⁴ <https://mswaterinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/MCWI-Regulations-Final.pdf>

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stoppage. Before the stop work order expires, or within any further period to which the Parties shall have agreed, MDEQ shall either:

- i. cancel the stop work order; or
- ii. terminate the Work covered by such order as provided in the Termination for Default clause or the Termination for Convenience clause of this Agreement.

B. *Cancellation or Expiration of the Order:* If a stop work order issued under this clause is canceled at any time during the period specified in the order or if the period of the order or any extension thereof expires, SUBRECIPIENT shall have the right to resume Work. An appropriate adjustment may be made in the Period of Performance or Maximum Amount, or both, and the Agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly if:

- i. The stop work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in SUBRECIPIENT's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this Agreement; and

- ii. SUBRECIPIENT provides a written claim for such an adjustment within thirty (30) days after the end of the period of work stoppage; provided that MDEQ decides that the facts justify such action and any such claim asserted may be received and acted upon at any time prior to final payment under this Agreement.

C. *Termination of Stopped Work:* If a stop work order is not canceled and the Work covered by such order is terminated for default or convenience, the reasonable costs resulting from the stop work order may be allowed by adjustment or otherwise.

22. **E-PAYMENT**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to accept all payments in United States currency via the State of Mississippi's electronic payment and remittance vehicle. MDEQ agrees to make payment in accordance with Mississippi law on "Timely Payments for Purchases by Public Bodies," which generally provides for payment of undisputed amounts by the agency within forty-five (45) days of receipt of invoice. Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-305.

23. **INTERVENTIONS**

If MDEQ determines that SUBRECIPIENT is not in compliance with this Agreement, MDEQ may initiate an intervention, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.208 and 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. The degree of SUBRECIPIENT's performance or compliance deficiency will determine the degree of intervention. All possible interventions are listed below and will depend on the degree of deficiency in SUBRECIPIENT's performance or compliance deficiency.

If MDEQ determines that an intervention is warranted, it shall provide written notice to SUBRECIPIENT of the intervention within thirty (30) days of the completion of a report review, desk review, onsite review, audit review, or procedures engagement review, or as soon as possible

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after MDEQ otherwise learns of a compliance or performance deficiency related to the execution of this Agreement. The written notice shall notify SUBRECIPIENT of the following related to the intervention:

- (1) The nature of the additional requirements;
- (2) The reason why the additional requirements are being imposed;
- (3) The nature of the action needed to remove the additional requirement, if applicable;
- (4) The time allowed for completing the actions if applicable; and
- (5) The method for requesting reconsideration of the additional requirements imposed.

MDEQ may impose, but is not limited to, the following interventions on SUBRECIPIENT, based on the level of the compliance or performance deficiency that MDEQ determines:

Level 1 Interventions. These interventions may be required for minor compliance or performance issues:

- (1) SUBRECIPIENT addresses specific internal control, documentation, financial management, compliance, or performance issues within a specified time period; and/or
- (2) More frequent or more thorough reporting by the SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (3) More frequent monitoring by MDEQ; and/or
- (4) Required SUBRECIPIENT technical assistance or training.

Level 2 Interventions. These interventions may be required for more serious compliance or performance issues:

- (1) Restrictions on funding payment requests by SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (2) Disallowing payments to SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (3) Requiring repayment for disallowed cost items; and/or
- (4) Imposing probationary status on SUBRECIPIENT.

Level 3 Interventions. These interventions may be required for significant and/or persistent compliance or performance issues:

- (1) Temporary or indefinite funding suspension to SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (2) Nonrenewal of funding to SUBRECIPIENT in subsequent year; and/or
- (3) Terminate funding to SUBRECIPIENT in the current year; and/or
- (4) Initiate legal action against SUBRECIPIENT.

Interventions will remain in place until the underlying performance or compliance deficiency is addressed to the sole satisfaction of MDEQ.

24. E-VERIFICATION

If applicable, SUBRECIPIENT represents and certifies that it will ensure its compliance with the Mississippi Employment Protection Act of 2008 and will register and participate in the status verification system for all newly hired employees. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 71-11-1, *et seq.* The term "employee" as used herein means any person that is hired to perform work within the State.

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As used herein, "status verification system" means the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act of 1996 that is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, also known as the E-Verify Program, or any other successor electronic verification system replacing the E-Verify Program. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to maintain records of such compliance. Upon request of the State of Mississippi and after approval of the Social Security Administration or Department of Homeland Security, when required, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide a copy of each such verification. SUBRECIPIENT further represents and certifies that any person assigned to perform services hereafter meets the employment eligibility requirements of all immigration laws.

25. **TRANSPARENCY**

This Agreement, including any accompanying exhibits, attachments, and appendices, is subject to the "Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983" and its exceptions. See Miss. Code Ann. §§ 25-61-1 *et seq.* and Miss. Code Ann. § 79-23-1. In addition, this Agreement is subject to the provisions of the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 27-104-151, *et seq.* Unless exempted from disclosure due to a court-issued protective order, a copy of this executed Agreement may be posted to the Department of Finance and Administration's independent agency Agreement website for public access at <https://www.transparency.mississippi.gov>. Information identified by SUBRECIPIENT as trade secrets or other proprietary information, including confidential vendor information, or any other information which is required to be confidential by state or federal law or outside the applicable freedom of information statutes will be redacted.

26. **PAYMODE**

Payments by state agencies using the statewide accounting system shall be made and remittance information provided electronically as directed by MDEQ. These payments shall be deposited into the bank account of SUBRECIPIENT's choice. MDEQ may, at its sole discretion, require SUBRECIPIENT to submit invoices and supporting documentation electronically at any time during the Period of Performance of this Agreement. SUBRECIPIENT understands and agrees that MDEQ is exempt from the payment of taxes. All payments shall be in United States currency.

27. **TERMINATION**

The Agreement may be terminated as follows:

A. *Termination For Convenience.*

The MDEQ may, when the interests of the State so require, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. MDEQ shall give written notice of the termination to SUBRECIPIENT specifying the part of the Agreement terminated and when termination becomes effective.

B. *Termination For Default.*

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If SUBRECIPIENT refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof or otherwise fails to satisfy the Agreement provisions or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, MDEQ may notify SUBRECIPIENT in writing of the delay or nonperformance, and if not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by MDEQ, MDEQ may terminate SUBRECIPIENT's right to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform.

Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement and subject to any directions by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall take timely, reasonable, and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of SUBRECIPIENT in which the State has an interest.

C. *Termination Upon Bankruptcy.*

This Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part by MDEQ upon written notice to SUBRECIPIENT, if SUBRECIPIENT should become the subject of bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the execution by SUBRECIPIENT of an assignment for the benefit of its creditors. In the event of such termination, SUBRECIPIENT shall be entitled to recover just and equitable compensation for satisfactory Work performed under this Agreement, but in no case shall said compensation exceed the total Maximum Amount.

28. **DISPUTES**

Before pleading to any judicial system at any level, SUBRECIPIENT must exhaust all administrative remedies. A written complaint must first be sent to the Executive Director of MDEQ. The decision of the Executive Director shall be reduced to writing and a copy thereof mailed or furnished to SUBRECIPIENT within fourteen (14) days after receipt of information requested by MDEQ or the Executive Director. If the decision of the Executive Director does not resolve the matter, successive administrative remedies may, at SUBRECIPIENT's option, include bringing the complaint before the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §§ 49-17-35 and -41. In the alternative, at SUBRECIPIENT's option, the decision of the Executive Director may be deemed the final agency action on the complaint. Appeals from the decision of the Executive Director or the Commission shall follow procedures outlined in Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41.

29. **ANTI-ASSIGNMENT/CONTRACTING**

SUBRECIPIENT shall not assign, contract, or otherwise transfer this Agreement, in whole or in part without the prior written consent of MDEQ, which MDEQ may, in its sole discretion, approve or deny without reason. Any attempted assignment or transfer of its obligations without such consent shall be null and void. No such approval by MDEQ of any contract shall be deemed in any way to provide for the incurrence of any obligation of MDEQ in excess of the Maximum MCWI

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Grant Fund amount set forth in this Agreement, nor create any contractual relationship between MDEQ and any Contracted Parties. Contracts shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to any conditions of approval that MDEQ may deem necessary. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of the Parties.

30. **AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS AGREEMENT**

SUBRECIPIENT certifies and acknowledges it is a Mississippi county, municipality or public utility, as defined in MCWI regulation, Rule 1.1. E. (17), and that it has LFRF to use as match funding for this grant. SUBRECIPIENT further certifies and acknowledges that its entry into and performance under this Agreement is not restricted or prohibited by any loan, security, financing, contractual, or other agreement of any kind; and, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, that there are no existing legal proceedings, either voluntary or otherwise, which may adversely affect its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

31. **DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

SUBRECIPIENT certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, and its Contracted Parties:

A. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction by any federal department or agency or any political subdivision or agency of the State of Mississippi;

B. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or Agreement or Contract under a public transaction;

C. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

D. are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of these offenses enumerated in Article 31. B. and Article 31. C., above; and

E. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

32. **FAILURE TO ENFORCE**

Failure by MDEQ, at any time, to enforce the provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any such provisions. Such failure to enforce shall not affect the validity of this Agreement or any part thereof or the right of MDEQ to enforce any provision at any time in accordance with its terms.

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33. INDEMNIFICATION

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to maintain responsibility for the Project and agrees to provide proper operation and maintenance of all facilities for the life of the Project. SUBRECIPIENT's tort liability, if it is an entity of the State of Mississippi, is determined and controlled in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 11-46-1 *et seq.*, including all defenses and exceptions contained therein. Nothing in this Agreement shall have the effect of changing or altering this liability or of eliminating any defense available to the State under statute.

To the extent allowed by state law, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to indemnify and save, release and hold harmless the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, MDEQ, all of their employees and officers, and MDEQ's contractors from and against any and all claim, demand, cause of action, liability, loss, damage, injury, suit, judgment, debt and cost, including attorney's fees or expenses on the part of SUBRECIPIENT, their agents or employees or any other parties arising out of or incident to, any and all Work under the terms of this Agreement.

34. SUBRECIPIENT STATUS

SUBRECIPIENT shall, during the entire Period of Performance of this Agreement, be construed to be an independent SUBRECIPIENT. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to nor shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture relationship.

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it is qualified to perform the duties to be performed under this Agreement and that it has, or will secure, if needed, at its own expense, applicable personnel who are qualified to perform the duties required under this Agreement. Such personnel shall not be deemed in any way, directly or indirectly, expressly or by implication, to be employees of MDEQ.

Any person assigned by SUBRECIPIENT to perform the services hereunder shall be an employee or independent contractor of SUBRECIPIENT, who shall have the sole right to hire and discharge its employees and/or independent contractors under this Agreement.

SUBRECIPIENT shall pay, when due, all salaries and wages of its employees and accepts exclusive responsibility for the payment of federal income tax, state income tax, social security, unemployment compensation and any other withholdings that may be required. This provision is solely for the benefit of MDEQ, and nothing herein shall be construed to create or impose any contractual or agency relationship between MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT'S contractors, subcontractors, employees or agents.

35. INSURANCE

SUBRECIPIENT and its Contracted Parties agree to and shall maintain insurance that is required by applicable state, federal, and local laws and regulations.

36. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Agreement, including all attachments, represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements,

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irrespective of whether written or oral. This Agreement may be altered, amended, or modified only by a written document executed by MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT. SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges that it has thoroughly read this Agreement and all its attachments and has had the opportunity to receive competent advice and counsel necessary for it to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein.

37. ORAL STATEMENTS

No oral statement of any person shall modify or otherwise affect the terms, conditions, or specifications stated in this Agreement. All modifications to the Agreement must be made in writing by the MDEQ and agreed to by SUBRECIPIENT.

38. RECORD RETENTION AND ACCESS TO RECORDS

Provided SUBRECIPIENT is given reasonable advance written notice and such inspection is made during normal business hours of SUBRECIPIENT, the Government Accountability Office, MDEQ, the State or any duly authorized representatives shall have unimpeded, prompt access to any of SUBRECIPIENT's books, documents, papers, and other records which are maintained or produced as a result of the Project for the purpose of making audits, investigations, examinations, excerpts, transcriptions, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to the SUBRECIPIENT's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. All records related to this Agreement shall be retained by SUBRECIPIENT for a minimum of ten (10) years after final payment is made under this Agreement and all pending matters are closed; however, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before the end of the ten (10) year period, the records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the ten (10) year period, whichever is later.

SUBRECIPIENT is not required to retain the above-mentioned records for the ten-year period prescribed in this Article and Article 39 only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

A. SUBRECIPIENT has provided all of the documents described above and in the "Right to Audit" provision to MDEQ prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year retention period and a certification stating the same is simultaneously provided in writing to MDEQ;

B. No audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before SUBRECIPIENT provides the records and corresponding certification to MDEQ, in which case, SUBRECIPIENT shall retain the records until all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved; and

C. SUBRECIPIENT provides MDEQ a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice before providing the above-mentioned records and corresponding certification.

39. RIGHT TO AUDIT

SUBRECIPIENT shall maintain all financial records, including electronic financial records, as may be prescribed by the MDEQ or by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and

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regulations. SUBRECIPIENT shall retain these records for a period of ten (10) years after final payment. These records shall be made available during the term of the Agreement and the subsequent ten (10) year period for examination, transcription, and audit by MDEQ, the Mississippi State Auditor's Office, its designees, or other authorized bodies, including the Office of Inspector General. If any litigation, claim, investigation, or audit relating to this Agreement or an activity funded under the Agreement is started before the expiration of the ten (10) year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, investigations, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.

40. RIGHT TO INSPECT WORK; ACCESS

MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants shall have access and the right to conduct announced and unannounced onsite and offsite physical visits to inspect all Work hereunder. Notwithstanding any review or inspection by MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants, SUBRECIPIENT shall not be relieved of its responsibility for performance of the Work or the submission of reports as expressly set forth in this Agreement solely by virtue of such inspection or review of the Work. SUBRECIPIENT shall provide MDEQ and its representatives, invitees, and consultants with the opportunity to participate in site inspections, meetings, and/or teleconferences, as appropriate, related to SUBRECIPIENT's performance of the Work.

41. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Agreement is declared to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of the Agreement that can be given effect without the invalid or unenforceable provision, and to this end the provisions hereof are severable. In such event, the Parties shall amend the Agreement as necessary to reflect the original intent of the Parties and to bring any invalid or unenforceable provisions in compliance with applicable law.

42. THIRD PARTY ACTION NOTIFICATION

SUBRECIPIENT shall give the MDEQ prompt notice in writing of any action or suit filed, and prompt notice of any claim made against SUBRECIPIENT by any entity that may result in litigation related in any way to this Agreement.

43. CERTIFICATIONS

SUBRECIPIENT's execution of this Agreement shall be deemed as acknowledgement, guarantee and certification by SUBRECIPIENT of the following:

A. SUBRECIPIENT has sufficient LFRF in its possession that it will use to match MCWI Grant Funds.

B. SUBRECIPIENT will follow and abide by all ARPA guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations, and other criteria, as may be amended from time to time, by the U.S. Treasury regarding the use of monies under this Agreement.

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C. As required in Attachment A, Article (1) a., SUBRECIPIENT's Authorized Representative, or his/her designee has watched the video on the MDEQ <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com> web-page entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview."

D. All of SUBRECIPIENT's LFRF used as MCWI matching funds, as well as MCWI Grant Funds received by SUBRECIPIENT, have been or will be used for the Project detailed in this Agreement.

E. Upon request by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT will provide an Intergovernmental Review Certification as detailed in the MCWI Regulations.

F. SUBRECIPIENT will obligate all MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF funds used for MCWI matching funds by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024.

G. If SUBRECIPIENT does not complete the Project by December 31, 2026, SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges and agrees to complete the Project with other funds.

44. **WAIVER**

No delay or omission by either Party to this Agreement in exercising any right, power, or remedy hereunder or otherwise afforded by Agreement, at law, or in equity shall constitute an acquiescence therein, impair any other right, power or remedy hereunder or otherwise afforded by any means, or operate as a waiver of such right, power, or remedy. No waiver by either Party to this Agreement shall be valid unless set forth in writing by the Party making said waiver. No waiver of or modification to any term or condition of this Agreement will void, waive, or change any other term or condition. No waiver by one Party to this Agreement of a default by the other Party will imply, be construed as or require waiver of future or other defaults.

45. **COMPLIANCE WITH MISS. CODE ANN. § 31-5-37**

If applicable, SUBRECIPIENT shall ensure that Contracted Parties and bidders solicited for contract awards pursuant to this Agreement comply with the requirements of Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37. SUBRECIPIENT shall require all bidders for any contract of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more procured or to be procured with funds received pursuant to this Agreement to submit a certification with their bid that said bidder will comply with the provisions of Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37. In addition, within seven (7) days of any such contract award procured or to be procured with funds received pursuant to this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall require the Contracted Party to submit to both SUBRECIPIENT and the Mississippi Department of Employment Security ("MDES") an employment plan which conforms to the requirements contained in Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37(2).

From the date written notice of any such contract award is received and until ten (10) business days after the receipt of the employment plan by MDES, the Contracted Party and any subcontractors shall not hire any personnel to fill vacant positions for the project except residents of the State of Mississippi who are to be verified by MDES and/or those qualified individuals who are submitted by MDES. However, the Contracting Party or contractor is authorized to employ

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Mississippi residents to begin work immediately if such persons are verified by MDES after employment by the Contracting Party or contractor. SUBRECIPIENT shall vacate the contract award in the event the Contracting Party fails to comply with the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. § 31-5-37.

46. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

SUBRECIPIENT shall immediately notify MDEQ in writing of any potential conflict of interest resulting from the representation of or service to other clients or otherwise affecting this Agreement in any way. If any such conflict occurs before it is discovered, SUBRECIPIENT shall notify MDEQ of such conflict within five (5) working days of such discovery. If such conflict cannot be resolved to MDEQ's satisfaction, MDEQ reserves the right to terminate this Agreement per the "Termination for Convenience" clause.

47. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective permitted successors and permitted assigns.

48. **NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other person or entity any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

49. **EVALUATION**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to assist and cooperate with the MDEQ or its duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the Project(s) to which the Agreement relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by MDEQ such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.

Further, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to cooperate with MDEQ or its duly designated representatives by providing timely responses to all reasonable requests for information to assist in evaluation of the accomplishments of the Project and the agreement for a period of ten (10) years after the date on which the Final Reports are provided.

50. **VENUE**

Venue for the resolution of any dispute, according to Article 28 of this Agreement, shall be before the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality if pursuing an administrative appeal, and venue for any subsequent litigation shall be in the Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi.

51. **HEADINGS**

The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

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For the faithful performance and consideration provided under the terms of this Agreement, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their undersigned authorized representatives.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Chris Wells
Executive Director

Date

CITY OF LONG BEACH



Mayor George L. Bass
Signature of Authorized Representative

George L. Bass

George L. Bass
Printed Name

Mayor

Title

1/17/23

Date

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ATTACHMENT A

PROJECT NAME, SCOPE OF WORK AND PROJECT TIMELINE AND REQUIREMENTS

PROJECT NAME

2021 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation

SCOPE OF WORK

The Project shall be defined as eligible activities funded in whole or in part under this Agreement as follows:

Scope of work for this Project includes investigation of sewer mains throughout the City and cured-in-place pipe lining of sewer mains in the selected areas identified as 'Sewer Inspection and Rehabilitation 2021'. This work includes reconnecting all active sewer services on rehabilitated sewer segments and chemical soil stabilization at each sewer service, where indicated to be necessary by pressure/leak testing.

The general Scope of Work to be performed by SUBRECIPIENT is limited to that which was submitted in the MCWI Application Portal and approved for funding in accordance with the MCWI Program Regulations. SUBRECIPIENT hereby agrees that no additional eligible scope may be added to this Scope of Work without the express written consent of MDEQ. The Scope of Work eligible for reimbursement is limited to that identified as eligible by MDEQ and further described by plans, specifications, contract documents, and contract change orders approved as eligible by MDEQ.

PROJECT TIMELINE AND REQUIREMENTS

- (1) SUBRECIPIENT agrees to the following schedule.
- a. Within 10 days of execution of this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT's Authorized Representative, or his/her designee shall watch the video on the MDEQ <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com> web-page entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview." The web-page will track compliance with this requirement;
 - b. Within 15 days of execution of this Agreement, submit a complete set of plans, specifications, contract documents on each construction contract, and all applicable permits and agency approvals, if not already submitted to MDEQ;
 - c. Within 15 days of execution of this Agreement, submit the entire procurement file (including but not limited to the request for proposals, evidence of publication, MBE/WBE documentation, all received bids, evaluation and

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selection documentation, executed construction contracts, and professional services contracts);

- d. No later than 60 days after execution of each construction contract, execute and submit a copy of the notice to proceed;
- e. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 25% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- f. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 50% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- g. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 75% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- h. No later than 5 business days after completion of each construction contract, notify MDEQ of construction completion;
- i. No later than 30 days after the contract completion date on each construction contract, submit all change orders which include time extensions, or a request and justification for delaying MDEQ's final construction observation;
- j. Within 45 days of Project completion, but no later than September 30, 2026, whichever is earlier, unless an extension of this date is specifically authorized by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT must submit the following: Final Report, as listed in Article 11, the engineer's certification of compliance with plans, specifications, and contract documents; final professional services contract amendments, if any; and all other administrative forms and documents required by the Agreement.

(2) To the extent any documents required to be submitted in Attachment A, Article (1) above were submitted with the MCWI Grant Application through the Application Portal, the documents do not need to be resubmitted.

(3) All documents required to be submitted in Attachment A, Article (1) above, shall be uploaded to the Documents Portal at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>.

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ATTACHMENT B

**SYSTEMS AND PROCESSES FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

An evaluation for the assessment of uncontrolled risks of the SUBRECIPIENT's systems and processes for financial management was performed as of part of the initial subaward process by MDEQ, acting on behalf of the State of Mississippi, as administrator of this Subaward Agreement. MDEQ requests the SUBRECIPIENT provide the following information to MDEQ as part of observations made during the evaluation. MDEQ reserves the right to re-evaluate the assessment of uncontrolled risks upon subsequently identified facts:

1. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide MDEQ with a copy of their annual audited financial statements within 60 days of the report release date throughout the Period of Performance.
2. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to promptly notify MDEQ of any significant changes made to the SUBRECIPIENT's current policies and procedures that would impact financial management systems and processes, specifically those communicated as part of the evaluation, from which the current residual risk levels were derived.
3. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to promptly notify MDEQ of any level of fraud or abuse discovered within the organization without regard to materiality that is related to the operation of the Project, as well as other pervasive deficiencies identified for grant management practices from any source, both external and internal, throughout the program performance period.
4. If deficiencies, significant deficiencies and/or material weaknesses are reported to the SUBRECIPIENT, as part of any assurance, attestation, or monitoring engagement during the program performance period, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide its response(s) and/or corrective action plan(s) to MDEQ so that prompt action can be taken by MDEQ to mitigate any elevated level of uncontrolled risk that could potentially impact MDEQ's or the SUBRECIPIENT's ability to comply with Federal Award and/or subaward requirements.
5. SUBRECIPIENT agrees that MDEQ has the right to perform monitoring procedures as deemed appropriate by MDEQ based on the assessed risk of noncompliance.

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**ATTACHMENT C
SUBAWARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS
FOR CONTRACTED PARTIES**

1. AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS AGREEMENT

The Contracted Party certifies that (a) it is either a 1) state agency, 2) a validly organized business that is authorized to do business in the state of Mississippi, 3) a nongovernmental organization, or 4) a political subdivision of the state of Mississippi with valid authority to enter into this agreement and; (b) entry into and performance under this agreement is not restricted or prohibited by any loan, security, financing, contractual, or other agreement of any kind; and (c) notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, that there are no existing legal proceedings, either voluntary or otherwise, which may adversely affect its ability to perform its obligations under this agreement.

2. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

Contractor/Contracted Parties certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it:

A. is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction by any federal department or agency or any political subdivision or agency of the State of Mississippi;

B. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction;

C. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

D. is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of these offenses enumerated in Article 2.B. and Article 2.C., above; and,

E. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

This agreement is subject to 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

3. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent allowed by state law, Contracted Party agrees to indemnify and save, release and hold harmless the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, MDEQ, all of their employees and officers, and the Department's contractors from and against any and all

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claim, demand, cause of action, liability, loss, damage, injury, suit, judgment, debt and cost, including attorney's fees or expenses on the part of any Contracted Party, their agents or employees or any other parties arising out of or incident to, any and all Work under the terms of this Agreement.

4. RELATIONSHIP STATUS

The Contracted Party acknowledges and agrees that MDEQ is not a party, in any manner whatsoever, to any contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and the construction contractor(s), engineer(s), attorney(s), equipment supplier(s), contractor(s), or between any other parties of any kind whatsoever (hereinafter collectively referred to as "vendor"). The SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Party also acknowledge and agree that any benefit to vendors contracting with the SUBRECIPIENT or Contracted Parties arising from or associated with this Agreement is strictly incidental and all such vendors are not and are not intended to be considered as third party beneficiaries under any agreement between MDEQ and the SUBRECIPIENT.

Upon execution of any contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party in regard to the project, MDEQ does not assume any authorities, duties, responsibilities, or liabilities under such contract. The SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Party shall not have any authority to bind or otherwise obligate MDEQ, directly or indirectly, under any contract or agreement between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party. The SUBRECIPIENT, Contracted Party and its vendors acknowledge and agree that any action taken by MDEQ in its role of grantor, or in its separate and distinct role as regulator shall not in any way change or alter its position as that of grantor.

MDEQ does not have any authority, duty, responsibility, or liability in contract claims or dispute identification, negotiation, resolution, or any other actions regarding contract claims under the contract(s) between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party. The SUBRECIPIENT and the Contracted Party acknowledge and agree that MDEQ is not obligated to review, comment on, approve, or discuss the merits of any contract claims presented by or to any party. Any MDEQ reviews, approvals, observations, presence at meetings, written communications, verbal communications or other actions are not to be interpreted as addressing the merits of any claims, nor are they to be construed as interpreting the contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and the Contracted Party or any other parties.

5. ACCESS TO RECORDS

Provided Contracted Party is given reasonable advance written notice and such inspection is made during normal business hours of Contracted Party, then the Government Accountability Office, MDEQ, the State or any duly authorized representatives shall have unimpeded, prompt access to any of Contracted Party's books, documents, papers, and other records which are maintained or produced as a result of the Project for the purpose of making audits, investigations, examinations, excerpts, transcriptions, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to the Contracted Party's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. All records related to this Agreement shall be retained by Contracted Party for a minimum of ten (10) years after final payment is made under this Agreement and all pending matters are closed; however, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before the end of the ten (10) year period, the

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records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the ten (10) year period, whichever is later.

Contracted Party is not required to retain the above-mentioned records for the ten (10) year period prescribed in this Section and the "Right to Audit" provision only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- A. Contracted Party has provided all of the documents described above and in the "Right to Audit" provision to MDEQ prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year retention period and a certification stating the same is simultaneously provided in writing to MDEQ;
- B. No audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before Contracted Party provides the records and corresponding certification to MDEQ, in which case, Contracted Party shall retain the records until all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved; and
- C. Contracted Party provides MDEQ a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice before providing the above-mentioned records and corresponding certification.

6. RECORD RETENTION AND RIGHT TO AUDIT

The Contracted Party shall maintain and retain books, documents, papers, financial records and other records, including electronic records, as may be prescribed by the MDEQ or by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations. Contracted Party shall retain these records for a period of ten (10) years after final payment. These records shall be made available during the term of the Agreement and the subsequent ten (10) year period for examination, transcription, and audit by MDEQ, the Mississippi State Auditor's Office, its designees, or other authorized bodies, including the Office of Inspector General. If any litigation, claim, investigation, or audit relating to this Agreement or an activity funded under the Agreement is started before the expiration of the ten (10) year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, investigations, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.

7. RIGHT TO INSPECT WORK; SITE ACCESS

MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants shall have access and the right to conduct announced and unannounced onsite and offsite physical visits to inspect all Work hereunder. Upon request by MDEQ, Contracted Party shall provide MDEQ and its representatives, invitees, and consultants with the opportunity to participate in site inspections, meetings, and/or teleconferences, as appropriate, related to the performance of the Work.

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contracted Party covenants that he presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest direct or indirect in the Project that is the subject to this Agreement or any parcels therein, where applicable, or any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of his services hereunder. The Contracted Party further covenants that, in the performance of this agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

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The Contracted Party agrees to establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have a family, business, or other tie.

9. COOPERATION AND EVALUATION

The Contracted Party agrees to assist and cooperate with the MDEQ or its duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the Project(s) to which the Agreement relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by MDEQ such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.

Further, the Contracted Party agrees to cooperate with MDEQ or its duly designated representatives by providing timely responses to all reasonable requests for information to assist in evaluation of the accomplishments of the Project and the agreement for a period of ten (10) years after the date on which the Final Reports are provided.

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Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to approve the following Sub-Award Agreement with Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant for the 2022 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation project and authorize the Mayor to execute same:

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPALITY AND COUNTY WATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT**

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HINDS**

MDEQ AGREEMENT NO. 432-1-CW-5.5

SUBAWARD AGREEMENT

This document is a Subaward Agreement (this "Agreement") between the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality ("MDEQ"), a Pass-through entity as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, and City of Long Beach, UEI Number: V3P3M7MCNMX8 ("SUBRECIPIENT", and together with MDEQ, the "Parties", and each, a "Party") to provide grant funds for the Work conducted under the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure ("MCWI") Grant Program (the "Program") as specified in Article 4.

1. SOURCE OF FUNDS

The grant funds provided by this Agreement are made available pursuant to the MCWI Grant Program Act of 2022, Mississippi Senate Bill 2822, 2022 Regular Session (April 26, 2022), provided through funds awarded to the State of Mississippi pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA"), Public Law 117-2 (March 11, 2021), provided through the U.S. Department of Treasury pursuant to Federal Award #SLFRP0003 and CFDA No. 21.027 (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) awarded on May 10, 2021, and subsequently to MDEQ through Mississippi Senate Bill 3056, 2022 Regular Session (April 26, 2022).

2. PROJECT

Under this Agreement, MDEQ agrees to disburse funds to SUBRECIPIENT in accordance with the terms herein to reimburse the costs associated with SUBRECIPIENT's implementation of the project entitled "2022 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation" (the "Project").

3. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Project is to make a necessary investment in an upgrade to SUBRECIPIENT's existing wastewater infrastructure. The Project is not for Research and Development.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

SUBRECIPIENT shall perform the tasks as described and identified in Attachment "A", Scope of Work (the "Work").

5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SUBRECIPIENT is subject to U.S. Treasury's regulations governing ARPA, and all applicable terms and conditions in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 of the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") Uniform Guidance for Grants and Cooperative Agreements, as amended, including

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Appendix II to Part 200, and all other OMB circulars, executive orders or other federal laws or regulations applicable to the services provided under this Agreement. All of these terms and conditions of this Agreement apply to SUBRECIPIENT and, as applicable, its Contractors/Contracted Parties.

6. **PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE**

The Period of Performance shall commence upon the execution of this Agreement and shall end on **September 30, 2026**. Costs incurred on March 3, 2021, or thereafter, but prior to the commencement of the Period of Performance may be reimbursed provided MDEQ determines such costs are allowable and eligible. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to complete all tasks included in the Scope of Work within this Period of Performance, unless otherwise specified in writing by MDEQ. If, at any time during the Period of Performance of this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT determines, based on the Work performed to date, that the Work cannot be completed within the Period of Performance, SUBRECIPIENT shall so notify MDEQ immediately in writing.

Failure to adhere to the requirements placed on MCWI funds can result in termination of this Agreement and may result in a demand for repayment by MDEQ. Moreover, if MDEQ is required to return any funds as a result of misspending on the part of SUBRECIPIENT, MDEQ reserves the right to seek and receive repayment of the amount of funds in question.

7. **CONSIDERATION AND PAYMENT**

A. *Project Cost.* The total Project cost shall not exceed **\$505,000.00**, with said amount broken down as follows:

- i. MCWI Grant Funds shall not exceed **\$252,500.00**;
- ii. The Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("LFRF") received by SUBRECIPIENT from the U.S. Treasury or the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration used as matching funds in this Agreement shall not exceed **\$252,500.00**;
- iii. Any LFRF transferred to SUBRECIPIENT from a county or municipality ("Transferred LFRF") shall not exceed **\$0.00**;
- iv. Any other funds that SUBRECIPIENT obligates(ed) to the project that are not eligible for MCWI match ("Other Funds") shall not exceed **\$0.00**.

B. Professional fees that will be reimbursed with MCWI Grant Funds shall not exceed **\$20,200.00**. This amount is included in, and is not in addition to, the maximum MCWI Grant Funds specified in Article 7.A.i, above and Article 7.C., below.

SUBRECIPIENT understands and acknowledges that the amount of professional fees, as defined in the MCWI Regulations, Rule 1.1 E. (18), that may be matched with MCWI Grant Funds is limited to no more than 4% of the total amount of costs actually incurred on the Project, which in no case may be more than the total Project cost set forth in Article 7.A., above.

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C. *Consideration.* As consideration for the performance of the tasks included in this Agreement, MDEQ agrees to reimburse SUBRECIPIENT an amount not to exceed **Two Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$252,500.00)** (the "Maximum Amount").

MDEQ is under no obligation to provide funds to SUBRECIPIENT if SUBRECIPIENT has not met, or does not continue to meet, minimum federal requirements to receive funds, such as but not limited to, adhering to applicable procurement requirements found in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 *et al.* Moreover, MDEQ bears no responsibility relative to SUBRECIPIENT's expenditure of its own funds. To that end, in the process of review of documentation for reimbursement, as well as compliance monitoring activities associated with the Program, MDEQ is not responsible or liable for any expenditure made by SUBRECIPIENT with its funds. As such, SUBRECIPIENT is solely responsible for compliance with federal and state requirements associated with its LFRF, its LFRF Transferred Funds, and any other funds it uses towards its Project that are not a part of the MCWI Grant Funds. SUBRECIPIENT must substantiate all expenditures in a compliant manner. MDEQ is under no obligation to reimburse costs incurred that are not demonstrably compliant with federal and state law.

D. *Payment.* Subject to available funding, as set forth in the terms and conditions of this Agreement, MDEQ shall pay all properly invoiced amounts due to SUBRECIPIENT within forty-five (45) days after MDEQ's receipt of such invoice, except for any amounts disputed by MDEQ in good faith. Legislative approval may be required where MDEQ receives any claim of payment from SUBRECIPIENT that includes Work performed outside a one (1) year period from receipt of such invoice.

i. *Request for Payment.* SUBRECIPIENT shall request payment of funds hereunder for Project costs on a reimbursement basis (such requests, "Reimbursement Requests"), unless otherwise directed by MDEQ. SUBRECIPIENT shall submit Reimbursement Requests and supporting documentation of costs incurred as required by MDEQ to the MCWI Reimbursement Portal, located at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>. All Reimbursement Requests for time periods ending June 30 of any year, during the Period of Performance under this Agreement, shall be submitted no later than July 31 of that same year. Final invoice(s) shall be submitted to MDEQ no later than September 30, 2026. The Reimbursement Request shall include, at a minimum, breakdowns of personnel, position, dates worked, tasks performed, and totals for contract costs, materials, supplies and equipment, included in the Reimbursement Request. SUBRECIPIENT shall make Reimbursement Requests in accordance with the following procedures and subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. SUBRECIPIENT may make Reimbursement Requests no more frequently than once monthly during the Period of Performance of this Agreement.

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2. SUBRECIPIENT shall request payment under this Agreement only for the costs necessary to complete the Scope of Work specifically stated and required under this Agreement.

3. SUBRECIPIENT shall not request payment under this Agreement for other services or other work the SUBRECIPIENT or its contractors may provide under any other Subaward or Contract not related to this Project.

4. SUBRECIPIENT shall provide on each Reimbursement Request the amount of its LFRF, Transferred LFRF and Other Funds expended. SUBRECIPIENT shall also provide the amount requested for professional fees. MDEQ will then determine the amount of MCWI Grant Funds that each Reimbursement Request qualifies for within the Program regulations and procedures.

5. SUBRECIPIENT understands that no payment, including final payment, shall be interpreted as acceptance of defective and incomplete Work, and SUBRECIPIENT shall remain responsible for performance in strict compliance with this Agreement. If MDEQ rejects, condemns or fails to approve any part of the Scope of Work, it may issue a Notice to Cure or terminate this Agreement.

6. MDEQ reserves the right to refuse to pay all or any part of the funds requested in a Reimbursement Request for any of the following reasons: 1) at MDEQ's discretion, the costs SUBRECIPIENT is seeking reimbursement for are not reasonable or necessary for the completion of the Work in this Agreement, 2) at MDEQ's discretion, the costs are ineligible for reimbursement under this Project, 3) at the time the request is submitted SUBRECIPIENT has failed to comply with any term or condition of this Agreement, 4) at the time the request is submitted the SUBRECIPIENT has otherwise failed to perform the Work to date in accordance with the Scope of Work, or 5) at the time the request is submitted the SUBRECIPIENT has otherwise failed to comply with applicable state, federal, or local laws and regulations.

ii. *Indirect Cost Rate.* Reimbursement of indirect costs and/or overhead is not allowed under this Agreement.

E. *Limitations on Expenditures.* MDEQ shall reimburse SUBRECIPIENT only for documented expenditures incurred on or after March 3, 2021: (i) reasonable and necessary to carry out the Scope of Work described in Attachment A; (ii) documented by contracts or other evidence of liability and (iii) incurred in accordance with all applicable requirements for the expenditure of funds payable under this Agreement.

F. *Improper Payments.* Any item of expenditure by SUBRECIPIENT under the terms of this Agreement which is found by auditors, investigators, other authorized

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representatives of MDEQ, the U.S. Treasury, the Mississippi State Auditor or other federal or state instrumentality to be improper, unallowable, in violation of federal or state law, or the terms of this Agreement, or involving any fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading representations or activities of SUBRECIPIENT shall become SUBRECIPIENT's liability, and shall be paid solely by SUBRECIPIENT, immediately upon notification of such, from funds other than those provided by MDEQ under this Agreement. This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Any funds that are paid by MDEQ to SUBRECIPIENT that are not necessary for the completion of the Work in this Agreement and/or that are deemed ineligible must be returned to MDEQ immediately upon receiving MDEQ's written notification for return of funds.

G. *Clawback.* If funds are expended improperly or if an expense submitted for reimbursement is disallowed or deemed ineligible under federal, state or local laws and regulations, then payments to SUBRECIPIENT may be subject to clawback by MDEQ, the State of Mississippi or the U.S. Treasury.

8. AMENDMENTS OR MODIFICATION

This Agreement may only be amended, modified, or supplemented by written agreement signed by the Parties hereto.

9. PROGRESS REPORTS

SUBRECIPIENT shall provide required progress reports during the Period of Performance of this Agreement in a format prescribed by MDEQ. These reports shall be submitted in accordance with the following schedule, which may be amended from time to time:

<u>REPORTING PERIOD</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
October – December	January 15
January – March	April 15
April – June	July 15
July – September	October 15

This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement with respect to any reports which SUBRECIPIENT is required to submit to MDEQ following the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

10. FAILURE TO TIMELY PERFORM

SUBRECIPIENT shall take all reasonable measures to ensure MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF used for MCWI matching funds are obligated by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024. SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges and agrees that its failure to obligate MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF used for MCWI matching funds by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024, may result in MDEQ modifying the MCWI Grant Funds awarded or terminating this Agreement.

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If SUBRECIPIENT refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof authorized by MDEQ or if SUBRECIPIENT otherwise fails to satisfy the Agreement provisions or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, MDEQ may notify SUBRECIPIENT in writing of the delay or nonperformance. If such delay or nonperformance is not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by MDEQ, MDEQ may terminate SUBRECIPIENT's right to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to perform properly.

Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement and subject to any directions by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall take timely, reasonable, and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of SUBRECIPIENT in which the State has an interest.

11. FINAL PAYMENT AND REPORT

When SUBRECIPIENT has performed all the Work, SUBRECIPIENT shall transmit to MDEQ a comprehensive report on the Work in a format prescribed by MDEQ (the "Final Report"). The Final Report shall be provided by SUBRECIPIENT to MDEQ within forty-five (45) days of Project completion in a format prescribed by MDEQ. Upon acceptance of Final Report, MDEQ will process final Reimbursement Request.

Upon satisfactory completion of the Work performed under this Agreement, as a condition before final payment under this Agreement or as a termination settlement under this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall certify to MDEQ, on a form provided by MDEQ, that the final payment amount is the remaining amount that SUBRECIPIENT is owed under this Agreement and that no additional payment for its Work under this Project will be submitted for reimbursement. Unless otherwise provided in the Agreement, by state law or otherwise expressly agreed to by the Parties in this Agreement, final payment under this Agreement or settlement upon termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of MDEQ's claims against SUBRECIPIENT or its sureties under this Agreement.

In consideration of the execution of this Agreement by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT agrees that acceptance of final payment from MDEQ will constitute an agreement by SUBRECIPIENT to release and forever discharge MDEQ, its agents, employees, officers, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns from any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, actions, causes of action or suits of any nature whatsoever, which SUBRECIPIENT has at the time of acceptance of final payment or may thereafter have, arising out of, in connection with or in any way relating to any and all injuries and damages of any kind as a result of or in any way relating to this Agreement.

12. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

MDEQ requires that SUBRECIPIENT have in place, prior to the receipt of funds, a financial management system that will be able to isolate and trace every dollar funded under this Agreement from receipt to expenditure and have on file appropriate support documentation for each transaction. Examples of documentation include but are not limited to copies of checks paid to vendors, vendor invoices, bills of lading, purchase vouchers, payrolls, bank statements and reconciliations, and real property and easement appraisals. Prior to the submittal of any such

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documentation to MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall redact, in accordance with the definition of "Protected Personally Identifiable Information" ("Protected PII") as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, all information reflecting an individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of types of information, including, but not limited to, social security number, passport number, credit card numbers, clearances, bank numbers, biometrics, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, criminal, medical and financial records, educational transcripts. This does not include PII as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1 that is required by law to be disclosed. SUBRECIPIENT and any Contracted Parties (as such term is defined in Article 13 of this Agreement) are limited to the travel rates of the State of Mississippi, including dining and hotels, in place at the time of the expenditure for which reimbursement is sought; and SUBRECIPIENT shall audit any such invoice for same, clearly indicating the actual expense and the adjustment, if any.

SUBRECIPIENT certifies that all information provided to MDEQ or its representatives as part of the initial risk assessment for this Work is complete and accurate. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to submit to and cooperate with MDEQ in any additional risk assessment evaluation and periodic audit procedures to ensure adequate financial management of all funds. Further, SUBRECIPIENT shall continue to implement any recommendations and/or corrective action plan set forth in the report transmitted to SUBRECIPIENT based on the findings of the systems and processes for financial management, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "B" and incorporated herein in its entirety.

13. CONTRACTS

SUBRECIPIENT shall be responsible for accountability of funds, compliance with Project specifications, and Project management by its contractors. MDEQ shall not bear responsibility for any liability caused or incurred by any contractor in performing Work. MDEQ shall not be deemed by virtue of this Agreement to have any contractual obligation to, or relationship with, any of SUBRECIPIENT's contractors, and the Parties agree and acknowledge that, as between MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT, all Work shall be deemed to be the responsibility of, and performed by, SUBRECIPIENT. No contractor or other recipient of funds from MDEQ under this Agreement shall be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee or servant of MDEQ in connection with this Agreement. The parties with whom contracts or subaward agreements are entered into by the SUBRECIPIENT shall be referred to herein as "Contractor", "Contracted Party", or "Contracted Parties". In addition to ensuring that its Contracted Parties follow the applicable terms in this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall require all terms and conditions set forth in Attachments "A" and "C" attached hereto to be included in all agreements between the SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Parties, and in all agreements between Contracted Parties and Contracted Parties' contractors/sub-contractors.

14. APPLICABLE LAW

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Mississippi and applicable federal law excluding, its conflict of laws provisions, and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the State. SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:

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A. *Authorizing Statutes.* Section 603 of the *Social Security Act* (42 U.S.C. § 803), as added by section 9901(a) of the *American Rescue Plan Act of 2021* (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and Mississippi Senate Bill No. 2822, entitled the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program Act of 2022, Regular Session 2022 (April 26, 2022).

B. *Implementing Regulations.* Subpart A of 31 C.F.R. Part 35 (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds), as adopted in the *Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds* interim final rule (86 Fed. Reg. 26786, applicable May 17, 2021 through March 31, 2022) and final rule (87 Fed. Reg. 4338, applicable January 27, 2022 through the end of the ARP/CSLFRF award term), and other subsequent regulations implementing Section 603 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 803), as well as MDEQ regulations, entitled “Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality Regulations for the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program.”

C. *Guidance Documents.* Applicable guidance documents issued from time-to-time by the US Department of Treasury and MDEQ, including the currently applicable version of the *Compliance and Reporting Guidance: State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds*.¹

D. *Licenses, Certifications, Permits, Accreditation.* SUBRECIPIENT shall obtain and keep current any license, certification, permit, or accreditation required by federal, state, or local law and shall submit to MDEQ proof of any licensure, certification, permit or accreditation upon request.

15. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

It is expressly understood and agreed that the obligation of MDEQ to proceed under this Agreement is conditioned upon the availability of the funds from state, federal, and/or other funding sources. If the funds anticipated for the continuing fulfillment of the Agreement are, at any time, not forthcoming or insufficient, either through the failure of the federal government to provide funds or of the State of Mississippi to appropriate funds or the discontinuance or material alteration of the program under which funds were provided or if funds are not otherwise available to MDEQ, MDEQ shall have the right upon ten (10) working days written notice to the SUBRECIPIENT, to terminate this Agreement without damage, penalty, cost or expenses to MDEQ of any kind whatsoever. The effective date of termination shall be as specified in the notice of termination.

16. REPRESENTATION REGARDING CONTINGENT FEES

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it has not retained a person to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

¹ <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>.

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17. REPRESENTATION REGARDING GRATUITIES

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it has not violated, is not violating, and promises that it will not violate the prohibition against gratuities set forth in Section 6-204 (Gratuities) of the *Mississippi Public Procurement Review Board Office of Personal Service Contract Review Rules and Regulations* and Section 9.105 (Gratuities) of the Mississippi Procurement Manual.

18. UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, 2 C.F.R. Part 200 ("UG"), as adopted by the Department of Treasury at 2 C.F.R. Part 1000 and as set forth in the Assistance Listing for ARP/CSLFRF (21.027). These requirements dictate how SUBRECIPIENT must administer the Subaward and how MDEQ must oversee SUBRECIPIENT. As a condition of receipt of the grant funds authorized in this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to watch the video entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview" found at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>.

The applicable UG provisions are as follows:

- Subpart A, Acronyms and Definitions;
- Subpart B, General Provisions;
- Subpart C, Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards (except 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.204, .205, .210, and .213);
- Subpart D, Post Federal Award Requirements (except 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.305(b)(8) and (9), .308, .309, and .320(c)(4));
- Subpart E, Cost Principles;
- Subpart F, Audit Requirements;
- 2 C.F.R. Part 25 (Universal Identifier and System for Award Management);
- 2 C.F.R. Part 170 (Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information); and
- 2 C.F.R. Part 180 (OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)).

SUBRECIPIENT shall document compliance with UG requirements, including adoption and implementation of all required policies and procedures, within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Agreement and during all subsequent reviews during the term of the Agreement. It is SUBRECIPIENT's responsibility to comply with all UG requirements. Failure to do so may result in termination of the Agreement by MDEQ.

All real property acquired or improved, and equipment or supplies purchased in whole or in part with MCWI Grant Funds and/or LFRF, must be used, insured, managed, and disposed of in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.311 through 2 C.F.R. § 200.316.

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19. **SUBAWARDS**

If SUBRECIPIENT is authorized by MDEQ to make a Subaward, SUBRECIPIENT must include and incorporate the terms and conditions of this Agreement and any attachments, in all lower tier Subawards. Further, SUBRECIPIENT, who makes a Subaward, must follow and carry out all the responsibilities of a Pass-through entity described at 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

20. **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

SUBRECIPIENT understands that MDEQ is an equal opportunity employer and therefore, maintains a policy which prohibits unlawful discrimination based on race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, physical handicap, disability, genetic information, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. All such discrimination is unlawful, and SUBRECIPIENT agrees during the Period of Performance of the Agreement that SUBRECIPIENT will strictly adhere to this policy in its employment practices and work performance under this Agreement. SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with, and all activities under this Agreement shall be subject to, all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, as now existing and as may be amended or modified.

Nothing contained in this Agreement may be deemed or construed in any way to stop, limit, or impair MDEQ from exercising or performing any regulatory, legislative, governmental, or other powers or functions.

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under ARPA, including the information provided by the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Final Rule.²

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under Mississippi Senate Bill 2822 of the 2022 Legislative Session.³

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under by the Regulations promulgated by MDEQ.⁴

21. **STOP WORK ORDER**

A. *Order to Stop Work:* MDEQ may, by written order to SUBRECIPIENT at any time and without notice to any surety, require SUBRECIPIENT to stop all or any part of the Work called for by this Agreement. This order shall be for a specified period not exceeding ninety (90) days after the order is delivered to SUBRECIPIENT, unless the Parties agree to any further period. Any such order shall be identified specifically as a stop work order issued pursuant to this clause. Upon receipt of such an order, SUBRECIPIENT shall forthwith comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the occurrence of costs allocable to the Work covered by the order during the period of work

² <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-01-27/pdf/2022-00292.pdf>

³ <https://mswaterinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Mississippi-Senate-Bill-2822.pdf>

⁴ <https://mswaterinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/MCWI-Regulations-Final.pdf>

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stoppage. Before the stop work order expires, or within any further period to which the Parties shall have agreed, MDEQ shall either:

- i. cancel the stop work order; or
- ii. terminate the Work covered by such order as provided in the Termination for Default clause or the Termination for Convenience clause of this Agreement.

B. *Cancellation or Expiration of the Order:* If a stop work order issued under this clause is canceled at any time during the period specified in the order or if the period of the order or any extension thereof expires, SUBRECIPIENT shall have the right to resume Work. An appropriate adjustment may be made in the Period of Performance or Maximum Amount, or both, and the Agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly if:

- i. The stop work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in SUBRECIPIENT's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this Agreement; and
- ii. SUBRECIPIENT provides a written claim for such an adjustment within thirty (30) days after the end of the period of work stoppage; provided that MDEQ decides that the facts justify such action and any such claim asserted may be received and acted upon at any time prior to final payment under this Agreement.

C. *Termination of Stopped Work:* If a stop work order is not canceled and the Work covered by such order is terminated for default or convenience, the reasonable costs resulting from the stop work order may be allowed by adjustment or otherwise.

22. **E-PAYMENT**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to accept all payments in United States currency via the State of Mississippi's electronic payment and remittance vehicle. MDEQ agrees to make payment in accordance with Mississippi law on "Timely Payments for Purchases by Public Bodies," which generally provides for payment of undisputed amounts by the agency within forty-five (45) days of receipt of invoice. Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-305.

23. **INTERVENTIONS**

If MDEQ determines that SUBRECIPIENT is not in compliance with this Agreement, MDEQ may initiate an intervention, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.208 and 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. The degree of SUBRECIPIENT's performance or compliance deficiency will determine the degree of intervention. All possible interventions are listed below and will depend on the degree of deficiency in SUBRECIPIENT's performance or compliance deficiency.

If MDEQ determines that an intervention is warranted, it shall provide written notice to SUBRECIPIENT of the intervention within thirty (30) days of the completion of a report review, desk review, onsite review, audit review, or procedures engagement review, or as soon as possible

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after MDEQ otherwise learns of a compliance or performance deficiency related to the execution of this Agreement. The written notice shall notify SUBRECIPIENT of the following related to the intervention:

- (1) The nature of the additional requirements;
- (2) The reason why the additional requirements are being imposed;
- (3) The nature of the action needed to remove the additional requirement, if applicable;
- (4) The time allowed for completing the actions if applicable; and
- (5) The method for requesting reconsideration of the additional requirements imposed.

MDEQ may impose, but is not limited to, the following interventions on SUBRECIPIENT, based on the level of the compliance or performance deficiency that MDEQ determines:

Level 1 Interventions. These interventions may be required for minor compliance or performance issues:

- (1) SUBRECIPIENT addresses specific internal control, documentation, financial management, compliance, or performance issues within a specified time period; and/or
- (2) More frequent or more thorough reporting by the SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (3) More frequent monitoring by MDEQ; and/or
- (4) Required SUBRECIPIENT technical assistance or training.

Level 2 Interventions. These interventions may be required for more serious compliance or performance issues:

- (1) Restrictions on funding payment requests by SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (2) Disallowing payments to SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (3) Requiring repayment for disallowed cost items; and/or
- (4) Imposing probationary status on SUBRECIPIENT.

Level 3 Interventions. These interventions may be required for significant and/or persistent compliance or performance issues:

- (1) Temporary or indefinite funding suspension to SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (2) Nonrenewal of funding to SUBRECIPIENT in subsequent year; and/or
- (3) Terminate funding to SUBRECIPIENT in the current year; and/or
- (4) Initiate legal action against SUBRECIPIENT.

Interventions will remain in place until the underlying performance or compliance deficiency is addressed to the sole satisfaction of MDEQ.

24. **E-VERIFICATION**

If applicable, SUBRECIPIENT represents and certifies that it will ensure its compliance with the Mississippi Employment Protection Act of 2008 and will register and participate in the status verification system for all newly hired employees. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 71-11-1, *et seq.* The term "employee" as used herein means any person that is hired to perform work within the State.

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As used herein, "status verification system" means the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act of 1996 that is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, also known as the E-Verify Program, or any other successor electronic verification system replacing the E-Verify Program. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to maintain records of such compliance. Upon request of the State of Mississippi and after approval of the Social Security Administration or Department of Homeland Security, when required, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide a copy of each such verification. SUBRECIPIENT further represents and certifies that any person assigned to perform services hereafter meets the employment eligibility requirements of all immigration laws.

25. **TRANSPARENCY**

This Agreement, including any accompanying exhibits, attachments, and appendices, is subject to the "Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983" and its exceptions. See Miss. Code Ann. §§ 25-61-1 *et seq.* and Miss. Code Ann. § 79-23-1. In addition, this Agreement is subject to the provisions of the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 27-104-151, *et seq.* Unless exempted from disclosure due to a court-issued protective order, a copy of this executed Agreement may be posted to the Department of Finance and Administration's independent agency Agreement website for public access at <https://www.transparency.mississippi.gov>. Information identified by SUBRECIPIENT as trade secrets or other proprietary information, including confidential vendor information, or any other information which is required to be confidential by state or federal law or outside the applicable freedom of information statutes will be redacted.

26. **PAYMODE**

Payments by state agencies using the statewide accounting system shall be made and remittance information provided electronically as directed by MDEQ. These payments shall be deposited into the bank account of SUBRECIPIENT's choice. MDEQ may, at its sole discretion, require SUBRECIPIENT to submit invoices and supporting documentation electronically at any time during the Period of Performance of this Agreement. SUBRECIPIENT understands and agrees that MDEQ is exempt from the payment of taxes. All payments shall be in United States currency.

27. **TERMINATION**

The Agreement may be terminated as follows:

A. *Termination For Convenience.*

The MDEQ may, when the interests of the State so require, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. MDEQ shall give written notice of the termination to SUBRECIPIENT specifying the part of the Agreement terminated and when termination becomes effective.

B. *Termination For Default.*

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If SUBRECIPIENT refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof or otherwise fails to satisfy the Agreement provisions or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, MDEQ may notify SUBRECIPIENT in writing of the delay or nonperformance, and if not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by MDEQ, MDEQ may terminate SUBRECIPIENT's right to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform.

Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement and subject to any directions by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall take timely, reasonable, and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of SUBRECIPIENT in which the State has an interest.

C. Termination Upon Bankruptcy.

This Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part by MDEQ upon written notice to SUBRECIPIENT, if SUBRECIPIENT should become the subject of bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the execution by SUBRECIPIENT of an assignment for the benefit of its creditors. In the event of such termination, SUBRECIPIENT shall be entitled to recover just and equitable compensation for satisfactory Work performed under this Agreement, but in no case shall said compensation exceed the total Maximum Amount.

28. DISPUTES

Before pleading to any judicial system at any level, SUBRECIPIENT must exhaust all administrative remedies. A written complaint must first be sent to the Executive Director of MDEQ. The decision of the Executive Director shall be reduced to writing and a copy thereof mailed or furnished to SUBRECIPIENT within fourteen (14) days after receipt of information requested by MDEQ or the Executive Director. If the decision of the Executive Director does not resolve the matter, successive administrative remedies may, at SUBRECIPIENT's option, include bringing the complaint before the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §§ 49-17-35 and -41. In the alternative, at SUBRECIPIENT's option, the decision of the Executive Director may be deemed the final agency action on the complaint. Appeals from the decision of the Executive Director or the Commission shall follow procedures outlined in Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41.

29. ANTI-ASSIGNMENT/CONTRACTING

SUBRECIPIENT shall not assign, contract, or otherwise transfer this Agreement, in whole or in part without the prior written consent of MDEQ, which MDEQ may, in its sole discretion, approve or deny without reason. Any attempted assignment or transfer of its obligations without such consent shall be null and void. No such approval by MDEQ of any contract shall be deemed in any way to provide for the incurrence of any obligation of MDEQ in excess of the Maximum MCWI

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Grant Fund amount set forth in this Agreement, nor create any contractual relationship between MDEQ and any Contracted Parties. Contracts shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to any conditions of approval that MDEQ may deem necessary. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of the Parties.

30. AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS AGREEMENT

SUBRECIPIENT certifies and acknowledges it is a Mississippi county, municipality or public utility, as defined in MCWI regulation, Rule 1.1. E. (17), and that it has LFRF to use as match funding for this grant. SUBRECIPIENT further certifies and acknowledges that its entry into and performance under this Agreement is not restricted or prohibited by any loan, security, financing, contractual, or other agreement of any kind; and, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, that there are no existing legal proceedings, either voluntary or otherwise, which may adversely affect its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

31. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

SUBRECIPIENT certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, and its Contracted Parties:

A. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction by any federal department or agency or any political subdivision or agency of the State of Mississippi;

B. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or Agreement or Contract under a public transaction;

C. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

D. are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of these offenses enumerated in Article 31. B. and Article 31. C., above; and

E. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

32. FAILURE TO ENFORCE

Failure by MDEQ, at any time, to enforce the provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any such provisions. Such failure to enforce shall not affect the validity of this Agreement or any part thereof or the right of MDEQ to enforce any provision at any time in accordance with its terms.

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33. **INDEMNIFICATION**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to maintain responsibility for the Project and agrees to provide proper operation and maintenance of all facilities for the life of the Project. SUBRECIPIENT's tort liability, if it is an entity of the State of Mississippi, is determined and controlled in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 11-46-1 *et seq.*, including all defenses and exceptions contained therein. Nothing in this Agreement shall have the effect of changing or altering this liability or of eliminating any defense available to the State under statute.

To the extent allowed by state law, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to indemnify and save, release and hold harmless the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, MDEQ, all of their employees and officers, and MDEQ's contractors from and against any and all claim, demand, cause of action, liability, loss, damage, injury, suit, judgment, debt and cost, including attorney's fees or expenses on the part of SUBRECIPIENT, their agents or employees or any other parties arising out of or incident to, any and all Work under the terms of this Agreement.

34. **SUBRECIPIENT STATUS**

SUBRECIPIENT shall, during the entire Period of Performance of this Agreement, be construed to be an independent SUBRECIPIENT. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to nor shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture relationship.

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it is qualified to perform the duties to be performed under this Agreement and that it has, or will secure, if needed, at its own expense, applicable personnel who are qualified to perform the duties required under this Agreement. Such personnel shall not be deemed in any way, directly or indirectly, expressly or by implication, to be employees of MDEQ.

Any person assigned by SUBRECIPIENT to perform the services hereunder shall be an employee or independent contractor of SUBRECIPIENT, who shall have the sole right to hire and discharge its employees and/or independent contractors under this Agreement.

SUBRECIPIENT shall pay, when due, all salaries and wages of its employees and accepts exclusive responsibility for the payment of federal income tax, state income tax, social security, unemployment compensation and any other withholdings that may be required. This provision is solely for the benefit of MDEQ, and nothing herein shall be construed to create or impose any contractual or agency relationship between MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT'S contractors, subcontractors, employees or agents.

35. **INSURANCE**

SUBRECIPIENT and its Contracted Parties agree to and shall maintain insurance that is required by applicable state, federal, and local laws and regulations.

36. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, including all attachments, represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements.

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irrespective of whether written or oral. This Agreement may be altered, amended, or modified only by a written document executed by MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT. SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges that it has thoroughly read this Agreement and all its attachments and has had the opportunity to receive competent advice and counsel necessary for it to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein.

37. ORAL STATEMENTS

No oral statement of any person shall modify or otherwise affect the terms, conditions, or specifications stated in this Agreement. All modifications to the Agreement must be made in writing by the MDEQ and agreed to by SUBRECIPIENT.

38. RECORD RETENTION AND ACCESS TO RECORDS

Provided SUBRECIPIENT is given reasonable advance written notice and such inspection is made during normal business hours of SUBRECIPIENT, the Government Accountability Office, MDEQ, the State or any duly authorized representatives shall have unimpeded, prompt access to any of SUBRECIPIENT's books, documents, papers, and other records which are maintained or produced as a result of the Project for the purpose of making audits, investigations, examinations, excerpts, transcriptions, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to the SUBRECIPIENT's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. All records related to this Agreement shall be retained by SUBRECIPIENT for a minimum of ten (10) years after final payment is made under this Agreement and all pending matters are closed; however, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before the end of the ten (10) year period, the records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the ten (10) year period, whichever is later.

SUBRECIPIENT is not required to retain the above-mentioned records for the ten-year period prescribed in this Article and Article 39 only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

A. SUBRECIPIENT has provided all of the documents described above and in the "Right to Audit" provision to MDEQ prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year retention period and a certification stating the same is simultaneously provided in writing to MDEQ;

B. No audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before SUBRECIPIENT provides the records and corresponding certification to MDEQ, in which case, SUBRECIPIENT shall retain the records until all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved; and

C. SUBRECIPIENT provides MDEQ a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice before providing the above-mentioned records and corresponding certification.

39. RIGHT TO AUDIT

SUBRECIPIENT shall maintain all financial records, including electronic financial records, as may be prescribed by the MDEQ or by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and

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regulations. SUBRECIPIENT shall retain these records for a period of ten (10) years after final payment. These records shall be made available during the term of the Agreement and the subsequent ten (10) year period for examination, transcription, and audit by MDEQ, the Mississippi State Auditor's Office, its designees, or other authorized bodies, including the Office of Inspector General. If any litigation, claim, investigation, or audit relating to this Agreement or an activity funded under the Agreement is started before the expiration of the ten (10) year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, investigations, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.

40. **RIGHT TO INSPECT WORK; ACCESS**

MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants shall have access and the right to conduct announced and unannounced onsite and offsite physical visits to inspect all Work hereunder. Notwithstanding any review or inspection by MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants, SUBRECIPIENT shall not be relieved of its responsibility for performance of the Work or the submission of reports as expressly set forth in this Agreement solely by virtue of such inspection or review of the Work. SUBRECIPIENT shall provide MDEQ and its representatives, invitees, and consultants with the opportunity to participate in site inspections, meetings, and/or teleconferences, as appropriate, related to SUBRECIPIENT's performance of the Work.

41. **SEVERABILITY**

If any part of this Agreement is declared to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of the Agreement that can be given effect without the invalid or unenforceable provision, and to this end the provisions hereof are severable. In such event, the Parties shall amend the Agreement as necessary to reflect the original intent of the Parties and to bring any invalid or unenforceable provisions in compliance with applicable law.

42. **THIRD PARTY ACTION NOTIFICATION**

SUBRECIPIENT shall give the MDEQ prompt notice in writing of any action or suit filed, and prompt notice of any claim made against SUBRECIPIENT by any entity that may result in litigation related in any way to this Agreement.

43. **CERTIFICATIONS**

SUBRECIPIENT's execution of this Agreement shall be deemed as acknowledgement, guarantee and certification by SUBRECIPIENT of the following:

- A. SUBRECIPIENT has sufficient LFRF in its possession that it will use to match MCWI Grant Funds.
- B. SUBRECIPIENT will follow and abide by all ARPA guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations, and other criteria, as may be amended from time to time, by the U.S. Treasury regarding the use of monies under this Agreement.

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C. As required in Attachment A, Article (1) a., SUBRECIPIENT's Authorized Representative, or his/her designee has watched the video on the MDEQ <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com> web-page entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview."

D. All of SUBRECIPIENT's LFRF used as MCWI matching funds, as well as MCWI Grant Funds received by SUBRECIPIENT, have been or will be used for the Project detailed in this Agreement.

E. Upon request by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT will provide an Intergovernmental Review Certification as detailed in the MCWI Regulations.

F. SUBRECIPIENT will obligate all MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF funds used for MCWI matching funds by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024.

G. If SUBRECIPIENT does not complete the Project by December 31, 2026, SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges and agrees to complete the Project with other funds.

44. WAIVER

No delay or omission by either Party to this Agreement in exercising any right, power, or remedy hereunder or otherwise afforded by Agreement, at law, or in equity shall constitute an acquiescence therein, impair any other right, power or remedy hereunder or otherwise afforded by any means, or operate as a waiver of such right, power, or remedy. No waiver by either Party to this Agreement shall be valid unless set forth in writing by the Party making said waiver. No waiver of or modification to any term or condition of this Agreement will void, waive, or change any other term or condition. No waiver by one Party to this Agreement of a default by the other Party will imply, be construed as or require waiver of future or other defaults.

45. COMPLIANCE WITH MISS. CODE ANN. § 31-5-37

If applicable, SUBRECIPIENT shall ensure that Contracted Parties and bidders solicited for contract awards pursuant to this Agreement comply with the requirements of Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37. SUBRECIPIENT shall require all bidders for any contract of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more procured or to be procured with funds received pursuant to this Agreement to submit a certification with their bid that said bidder will comply with the provisions of Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37. In addition, within seven (7) days of any such contract award procured or to be procured with funds received pursuant to this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall require the Contracted Party to submit to both SUBRECIPIENT and the Mississippi Department of Employment Security ("MDES") an employment plan which conforms to the requirements contained in Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37(2).

From the date written notice of any such contract award is received and until ten (10) business days after the receipt of the employment plan by MDES, the Contracted Party and any subcontractors shall not hire any personnel to fill vacant positions for the project except residents of the State of Mississippi who are to be verified by MDES and/or those qualified individuals who are submitted by MDES. However, the Contracting Party or contractor is authorized to employ

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Mississippi residents to begin work immediately if such persons are verified by MDES after employment by the Contracting Party or contractor. SUBRECIPIENT shall vacate the contract award in the event the Contracting Party fails to comply with the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. § 31-5-37.

46. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

SUBRECIPIENT shall immediately notify MDEQ in writing of any potential conflict of interest resulting from the representation of or service to other clients or otherwise affecting this Agreement in any way. If any such conflict occurs before it is discovered, SUBRECIPIENT shall notify MDEQ of such conflict within five (5) working days of such discovery. If such conflict cannot be resolved to MDEQ's satisfaction, MDEQ reserves the right to terminate this Agreement per the "Termination for Convenience" clause.

47. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective permitted successors and permitted assigns.

48. **NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other person or entity any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

49. **EVALUATION**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to assist and cooperate with the MDEQ or its duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the Project(s) to which the Agreement relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by MDEQ such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.

Further, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to cooperate with MDEQ or its duly designated representatives by providing timely responses to all reasonable requests for information to assist in evaluation of the accomplishments of the Project and the agreement for a period of ten (10) years after the date on which the Final Reports are provided.

50. **VENUE**

Venue for the resolution of any dispute, according to Article 28 of this Agreement, shall be before the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality if pursuing an administrative appeal, and venue for any subsequent litigation shall be in the Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi.

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51. **HEADINGS**

The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

52. **NOTICES**

Unless otherwise specified in the Agreement, all notices, requests, consents, claims, demands, waivers and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given (a) when delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt); (b) when received by the addressee if sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier (receipt requested); (c) on the date sent by facsimile or e-mail of document(s) (with confirmation of transmission) if sent during normal business hours of the recipient, and on the next business day if sent after normal business hours of the recipient; or (d) on the third day after the date mailed, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. Such communications must be sent to the respective Parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a Party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this subsection):

If to MDEQ:	Attention: MCWI Contract Administration 515 East Amite Street P.O. Box 2249 Jackson, MS 39201 E-mail: MCWIdocuments@mdeq.ms.gov
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If to SUBRECIPIENT:	Attention: Mayor George Bass 201 Jeff Davis Avenue Long Beach, MS 39560 Phone: (228) 863-1556 E-mail: mayor@cityoflongbeachms.com
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53. **COUNTERPARTS**

Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same Agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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For the faithful performance and consideration provided under the terms of this Agreement, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their undersigned authorized representatives.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Chris Wells
Executive Director

Date

CITY OF LONG BEACH



Mayor George Bass
Signature of Authorized Representative

George L. Bass

George Bass
Printed Name

Mayor

Title

1/17/23

Date

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ATTACHMENT A

**PROJECT NAME, SCOPE OF WORK AND PROJECT TIMELINE AND
REQUIREMENTS**

PROJECT NAME

2022 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation

SCOPE OF WORK

The Project shall be defined as eligible activities funded in whole or in part under this Agreement as follows:

Scope of work for this Project includes investigation of sewer mains and cured-in-place pipe lining or point repair of sewer mains in the selected areas identified as 'Sewer Rehabilitation 2022'. This work includes reconnecting all active sewer services on rehabilitated sewer segments and chemical soil stabilization at each sewer service, where indicated to be necessary by pressure/leak testing.

The general Scope of Work to be performed by SUBRECIPIENT is limited to that which was submitted in the MCWI Application Portal and approved for funding in accordance with the MCWI Program Regulations. SUBRECIPIENT hereby agrees that no additional eligible scope may be added to this Scope of Work without the express written consent of MDEQ. The Scope of Work eligible for reimbursement is limited to that identified as eligible by MDEQ and further described by plans, specifications, contract documents, and contract change orders approved as eligible by MDEQ.

PROJECT TIMELINE AND REQUIREMENTS

(1) SUBRECIPIENT agrees to the following schedule.

- a. Within 10 days of execution of this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT's Authorized Representative, or his/her designee shall watch the video on the MDEQ <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com> web-page entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview." The web-page will track compliance with this requirement;
- b. Within 15 days of execution of this Agreement, submit a complete set of plans, specifications, contract documents on each construction contract, and all applicable permits and agency approvals, if not already submitted to MDEQ;
- c. Within 15 days of execution of this Agreement, submit the entire procurement file (including but not limited to the request for proposals, evidence of publication, MBE/WBE documentation, all received bids, evaluation and

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selection documentation, executed construction contracts, and professional services contracts);

- d. No later than 60 days after execution of each construction contract, execute and submit a copy of the notice to proceed;
- e. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 25% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- f. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 50% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- g. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 75% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- h. No later than 5 business days after completion of each construction contract, notify MDEQ of construction completion;
- i. No later than 30 days after the contract completion date on each construction contract, submit all change orders which include time extensions, or a request and justification for delaying MDEQ's final construction observation;
- j. Within 45 days of Project completion, but no later than September 30, 2026, whichever is earlier, unless an extension of this date is specifically authorized by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT must submit the following: Final Report, as listed in Article 11, the engineer's certification of compliance with plans, specifications, and contract documents; final professional services contract amendments, if any; and all other administrative forms and documents required by the Agreement.

(2) To the extent any documents required to be submitted in Attachment A, Article (1) above were submitted with the MCWI Grant Application through the Application Portal, the documents do not need to be resubmitted.

(3) All documents required to be submitted in Attachment A, Article (1) above, shall be uploaded to the Documents Portal at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>.

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ATTACHMENT B

**SYSTEMS AND PROCESSES FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

An evaluation for the assessment of uncontrolled risks of the SUBRECIPIENT's systems and processes for financial management was performed as of part of the initial subaward process by MDEQ, acting on behalf of the State of Mississippi, as administrator of this Subaward Agreement. MDEQ requests the SUBRECIPIENT provide the following information to MDEQ as part of observations made during the evaluation. MDEQ reserves the right to re-evaluate the assessment of uncontrolled risks upon subsequently identified facts:

1. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide MDEQ with a copy of their annual audited financial statements within 60 days of the report release date throughout the Period of Performance.
2. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to promptly notify MDEQ of any significant changes made to the SUBRECIPIENT's current policies and procedures that would impact financial management systems and processes, specifically those communicated as part of the evaluation, from which the current residual risk levels were derived.
3. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to promptly notify MDEQ of any level of fraud or abuse discovered within the organization without regard to materiality that is related to the operation of the Project, as well as other pervasive deficiencies identified for grant management practices from any source, both external and internal, throughout the program performance period.
4. If deficiencies, significant deficiencies and/or material weaknesses are reported to the SUBRECIPIENT, as part of any assurance, attestation, or monitoring engagement during the program performance period, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide its response(s) and/or corrective action plan(s) to MDEQ so that prompt action can be taken by MDEQ to mitigate any elevated level of uncontrolled risk that could potentially impact MDEQ's or the SUBRECIPIENT's ability to comply with Federal Award and/or subaward requirements.
5. SUBRECIPIENT agrees that MDEQ has the right to perform monitoring procedures as deemed appropriate by MDEQ based on the assessed risk of noncompliance.

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**ATTACHMENT C
SUBAWARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS
FOR CONTRACTED PARTIES**

1. AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS AGREEMENT

The Contracted Party certifies that (a) it is either a 1) state agency, 2) a validly organized business that is authorized to do business in the state of Mississippi, 3) a nongovernmental organization, or 4) a political subdivision of the state of Mississippi with valid authority to enter into this agreement and; (b) entry into and performance under this agreement is not restricted or prohibited by any loan, security, financing, contractual, or other agreement of any kind; and (c) notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, that there are no existing legal proceedings, either voluntary or otherwise, which may adversely affect its ability to perform its obligations under this agreement.

2. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

Contractor/Contracted Parties certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it:

A. is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction by any federal department or agency or any political subdivision or agency of the State of Mississippi;

B. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction;

C. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

D. is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of these offenses enumerated in Article 2.B. and Article 2.C., above; and,

E. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

This agreement is subject to 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

3. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent allowed by state law, Contracted Party agrees to indemnify and save, release and hold harmless the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, MDEQ, all of their employees and officers, and the Department's contractors from and against any and all

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claim, demand, cause of action, liability, loss, damage, injury, suit, judgment, debt and cost, including attorney's fees or expenses on the part of any Contracted Party, their agents or employees or any other parties arising out of or incident to, any and all Work under the terms of this Agreement.

4. RELATIONSHIP STATUS

The Contracted Party acknowledges and agrees that MDEQ is not a party, in any manner whatsoever, to any contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and the construction contractor(s), engineer(s), attorney(s), equipment supplier(s), contractor(s), or between any other parties of any kind whatsoever (hereinafter collectively referred to as "vendor"). The SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Party also acknowledge and agree that any benefit to vendors contracting with the SUBRECIPIENT or Contracted Parties arising from or associated with this Agreement is strictly incidental and all such vendors are not and are not intended to be considered as third party beneficiaries under any agreement between MDEQ and the SUBRECIPIENT.

Upon execution of any contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party in regard to the project, MDEQ does not assume any authorities, duties, responsibilities, or liabilities under such contract. The SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Party shall not have any authority to bind or otherwise obligate MDEQ, directly or indirectly, under any contract or agreement between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party. The SUBRECIPIENT, Contracted Party and its vendors acknowledge and agree that any action taken by MDEQ in its role of grantor, or in its separate and distinct role as regulator shall not in any way change or alter its position as that of grantor.

MDEQ does not have any authority, duty, responsibility, or liability in contract claims or dispute identification, negotiation, resolution, or any other actions regarding contract claims under the contract(s) between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party. The SUBRECIPIENT and the Contracted Party acknowledge and agree that MDEQ is not obligated to review, comment on, approve, or discuss the merits of any contract claims presented by or to any party. Any MDEQ reviews, approvals, observations, presence at meetings, written communications, verbal communications or other actions are not to be interpreted as addressing the merits of any claims, nor are they to be construed as interpreting the contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and the Contracted Party or any other parties.

5. ACCESS TO RECORDS

Provided Contracted Party is given reasonable advance written notice and such inspection is made during normal business hours of Contracted Party, then the Government Accountability Office, MDEQ, the State or any duly authorized representatives shall have unimpeded, prompt access to any of Contracted Party's books, documents, papers, and other records which are maintained or produced as a result of the Project for the purpose of making audits, investigations, examinations, excerpts, transcriptions, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to the Contracted Party's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. All records related to this Agreement shall be retained by Contracted Party for a minimum of ten (10) years after final payment is made under this Agreement and all pending matters are closed; however, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before the end of the ten (10) year period, the

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records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the ten (10) year period, whichever is later.

Contracted Party is not required to retain the above-mentioned records for the ten (10) year period prescribed in this Section and the "Right to Audit" provision only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- A. Contracted Party has provided all of the documents described above and in the "Right to Audit" provision to MDEQ prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year retention period and a certification stating the same is simultaneously provided in writing to MDEQ;
- B. No audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before Contracted Party provides the records and corresponding certification to MDEQ, in which case, Contracted Party shall retain the records until all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved; and
- C. Contracted Party provides MDEQ a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice before providing the above-mentioned records and corresponding certification.

6. RECORD RETENTION AND RIGHT TO AUDIT

The Contracted Party shall maintain and retain books, documents, papers, financial records and other records, including electronic records, as may be prescribed by the MDEQ or by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations. Contracted Party shall retain these records for a period of ten (10) years after final payment. These records shall be made available during the term of the Agreement and the subsequent ten (10) year period for examination, transcription, and audit by MDEQ, the Mississippi State Auditor's Office, its designees, or other authorized bodies, including the Office of Inspector General. If any litigation, claim, investigation, or audit relating to this Agreement or an activity funded under the Agreement is started before the expiration of the ten (10) year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, investigations, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.

7. RIGHT TO INSPECT WORK; SITE ACCESS

MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants shall have access and the right to conduct announced and unannounced onsite and offsite physical visits to inspect all Work hereunder. Upon request by MDEQ, Contracted Party shall provide MDEQ and its representatives, invitees, and consultants with the opportunity to participate in site inspections, meetings, and/or teleconferences, as appropriate, related to the performance of the Work.

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contracted Party covenants that he presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest direct or indirect in the Project that is the subject to this Agreement or any parcels therein, where applicable, or any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of his services hereunder. The Contracted Party further covenants that, in the performance of this agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

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The Contracted Party agrees to establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have a family, business, or other tie.

9. COOPERATION AND EVALUATION

The Contracted Party agrees to assist and cooperate with the MDEQ or its duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the Project(s) to which the Agreement relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by MDEQ such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.

Further, the Contracted Party agrees to cooperate with MDEQ or its duly designated representatives by providing timely responses to all reasonable requests for information to assist in evaluation of the accomplishments of the Project and the agreement for a period of ten (10) years after the date on which the Final Reports are provided.

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Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to approve the following Sub-Award Agreement with Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant for the Critical Drainage Improvement project and authorize the Mayor to execute same:

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPALITY AND COUNTY WATER INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT**

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HINDS

MDEQ AGREEMENT NO. 425-1-SW-5.6

SUBAWARD AGREEMENT

This document is a Subaward Agreement (this "Agreement") between the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality ("MDEQ"), a Pass-through entity as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, and City of Long Beach, UEI Number: V3P3M7MCNMX8 ("SUBRECIPIENT", and together with MDEQ, the "Parties", and each, a "Party") to provide grant funds for the Work conducted under the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure ("MCWI") Grant Program (the "Program") as specified in Article 4.

1. **SOURCE OF FUNDS**

The grant funds provided by this Agreement are made available pursuant to the MCWI Grant Program Act of 2022, Mississippi Senate Bill 2822, 2022 Regular Session (April 26, 2022), provided through funds awarded to the State of Mississippi pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 ("ARPA"), Public Law 117-2 (March 11, 2021), provided through the U.S. Department of Treasury pursuant to Federal Award #SLFRP0003 and CFDA No. 21.027 (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) awarded on May 10, 2021, and subsequently to MDEQ through Mississippi Senate Bill 3056, 2022 Regular Session (April 26, 2022).

2. **PROJECT**

Under this Agreement, MDEQ agrees to disburse funds to SUBRECIPIENT in accordance with the terms herein to reimburse the costs associated with SUBRECIPIENT's implementation of the project entitled "Critical Drainage Improvements" (the "Project").

3. **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Project is to make a necessary investment in an upgrade to SUBRECIPIENT's existing stormwater facilities and infrastructure. The Project is not for Research and Development.

4. **SCOPE OF WORK**

SUBRECIPIENT shall perform the tasks as described and identified in Attachment "A", Scope of Work (the "Work").

5. **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

SUBRECIPIENT is subject to U.S. Treasury's regulations governing ARPA, and all applicable terms and conditions in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 of the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") Uniform Guidance for Grants and Cooperative Agreements, as amended, including

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Appendix II to Part 200, and all other OMB circulars, executive orders or other federal laws or regulations applicable to the services provided under this Agreement. All of these terms and conditions of this Agreement apply to SUBRECIPIENT and, as applicable, its Contractors/Contracted Parties.

6. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The Period of Performance shall commence upon the execution of this Agreement and shall end on **September 30, 2026**. Costs incurred on March 3, 2021, or thereafter, but prior to the commencement of the Period of Performance may be reimbursed provided MDEQ determines such costs are allowable and eligible. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to complete all tasks included in the Scope of Work within this Period of Performance, unless otherwise specified in writing by MDEQ. If, at any time during the Period of Performance of this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT determines, based on the Work performed to date, that the Work cannot be completed within the Period of Performance, SUBRECIPIENT shall so notify MDEQ immediately in writing.

Failure to adhere to the requirements placed on MCWI funds can result in termination of this Agreement and may result in a demand for repayment by MDEQ. Moreover, if MDEQ is required to return any funds as a result of misspending on the part of SUBRECIPIENT, MDEQ reserves the right to seek and receive repayment of the amount of funds in question.

7. CONSIDERATION AND PAYMENT

A. *Project Cost.* The total Project cost shall not exceed **\$1,661,932.00**, with said amount broken down as follows:

- i. MCWI Grant Funds shall not exceed **\$760,835.53**;
- ii. The Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("LFRF") received by SUBRECIPIENT from the U.S. Treasury or the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration used as matching funds in this Agreement shall not exceed **\$760,835.53**;
- iii. Any LFRF transferred to SUBRECIPIENT from a county or municipality ("Transferred LFRF") shall not exceed **\$0.00**;
- iv. Any other funds that SUBRECIPIENT obligates(ed) to the project that are not eligible for MCWI match ("Other Funds") shall not exceed **\$140,260.94**.

B. Professional fees that will be reimbursed with MCWI Grant Funds shall not exceed **\$66,477.28**. This amount is included in, and is not in addition to, the maximum MCWI Grant Funds specified in Article 7.A.i, above and Article 7.C., below.

SUBRECIPIENT understands and acknowledges that the amount of professional fees, as defined in the MCWI Regulations, Rule 1.1 E. (18), that may be matched with MCWI Grant Funds is limited to no more than 4% of the total amount of costs actually

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incurred on the Project, which in no case may be more than the total Project cost set forth in Article 7.A., above.

C. *Consideration.* As consideration for the performance of the tasks included in this Agreement, MDEQ agrees to reimburse SUBRECIPIENT an amount not to exceed **Seven Hundred Sixty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Fifty-Three Cents (\$760,835.53)** (the "Maximum Amount").

MDEQ is under no obligation to provide funds to SUBRECIPIENT if SUBRECIPIENT has not met, or does not continue to meet, minimum federal requirements to receive funds, such as but not limited to, adhering to applicable procurement requirements found in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 *et al.* Moreover, MDEQ bears no responsibility relative to SUBRECIPIENT's expenditure of its own funds. To that end, in the process of review of documentation for reimbursement, as well as compliance monitoring activities associated with the Program, MDEQ is not responsible or liable for any expenditure made by SUBRECIPIENT with its funds. As such, SUBRECIPIENT is solely responsible for compliance with federal and state requirements associated with its LFRF, its LFRF Transferred Funds, and any other funds it uses towards its Project that are not a part of the MCWI Grant Funds. SUBRECIPIENT must substantiate all expenditures in a compliant manner. MDEQ is under no obligation to reimburse costs incurred that are not demonstrably compliant with federal and state law.

D. *Payment.* Subject to available funding, as set forth in the terms and conditions of this Agreement, MDEQ shall pay all properly invoiced amounts due to SUBRECIPIENT within forty-five (45) days after MDEQ's receipt of such invoice, except for any amounts disputed by MDEQ in good faith. Legislative approval may be required where MDEQ receives any claim of payment from SUBRECIPIENT that includes Work performed outside a one (1) year period from receipt of such invoice.

i. *Request for Payment.* SUBRECIPIENT shall request payment of funds hereunder for Project costs on a reimbursement basis (such requests, "Reimbursement Requests"), unless otherwise directed by MDEQ. SUBRECIPIENT shall submit Reimbursement Requests and supporting documentation of costs incurred as required by MDEQ to the MCWI Reimbursement Portal, located at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>. All Reimbursement Requests for time periods ending June 30 of any year, during the Period of Performance under this Agreement, shall be submitted no later than July 31 of that same year. Final invoice(s) shall be submitted to MDEQ no later than September 30, 2026. The Reimbursement Request shall include, at a minimum, breakdowns of personnel, position, dates worked, tasks performed, and totals for contract costs, materials, supplies and equipment, included in the Reimbursement Request. SUBRECIPIENT shall make Reimbursement Requests in accordance with the following procedures and subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. SUBRECIPIENT may make Reimbursement Requests no more frequently than once monthly during the Period of Performance of this Agreement.

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2. SUBRECIPIENT shall request payment under this Agreement only for the costs necessary to complete the Scope of Work specifically stated and required under this Agreement.

3. SUBRECIPIENT shall not request payment under this Agreement for other services or other work the SUBRECIPIENT or its contractors may provide under any other Subaward or Contract not related to this Project.

4. SUBRECIPIENT shall provide on each Reimbursement Request the amount of its LFRF, Transferred LFRF and Other Funds expended. SUBRECIPIENT shall also provide the amount requested for professional fees. MDEQ will then determine the amount of MCWI Grant Funds that each Reimbursement Request qualifies for within the Program regulations and procedures.

5. SUBRECIPIENT understands that no payment, including final payment, shall be interpreted as acceptance of defective and incomplete Work, and SUBRECIPIENT shall remain responsible for performance in strict compliance with this Agreement. If MDEQ rejects, condemns or fails to approve any part of the Scope of Work, it may issue a Notice to Cure or terminate this Agreement.

6. MDEQ reserves the right to refuse to pay all or any part of the funds requested in a Reimbursement Request for any of the following reasons: 1) at MDEQ's discretion, the costs SUBRECIPIENT is seeking reimbursement for are not reasonable or necessary for the completion of the Work in this Agreement, 2) at MDEQ's discretion, the costs are ineligible for reimbursement under this Project, 3) at the time the request is submitted SUBRECIPIENT has failed to comply with any term or condition of this Agreement, 4) at the time the request is submitted the SUBRECIPIENT has otherwise failed to perform the Work to date in accordance with the Scope of Work, or 5) at the time the request is submitted the SUBRECIPIENT has otherwise failed to comply with applicable state, federal, or local laws and regulations.

ii. *Indirect Cost Rate.* Reimbursement of indirect costs and/or overhead is not allowed under this Agreement.

E. *Limitations on Expenditures.* MDEQ shall reimburse SUBRECIPIENT only for documented expenditures incurred on or after March 3, 2021: (i) reasonable and necessary to carry out the Scope of Work described in Attachment A; (ii) documented by contracts or other evidence of liability and (iii) incurred in accordance with all applicable requirements for the expenditure of funds payable under this Agreement.

F. *Improper Payments.* Any item of expenditure by SUBRECIPIENT under the terms of this Agreement which is found by auditors, investigators, other authorized

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representatives of MDEQ, the U.S. Treasury, the Mississippi State Auditor or other federal or state instrumentality to be improper, unallowable, in violation of federal or state law, or the terms of this Agreement, or involving any fraudulent, deceptive, or misleading representations or activities of SUBRECIPIENT shall become SUBRECIPIENT's liability, and shall be paid solely by SUBRECIPIENT, immediately upon notification of such, from funds other than those provided by MDEQ under this Agreement. This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Any funds that are paid by MDEQ to SUBRECIPIENT that are not necessary for the completion of the Work in this Agreement and/or that are deemed ineligible must be returned to MDEQ immediately upon receiving MDEQ's written notification for return of funds.

G. *Clawback.* If funds are expended improperly or if an expense submitted for reimbursement is disallowed or deemed ineligible under federal, state or local laws and regulations, then payments to SUBRECIPIENT may be subject to clawback by MDEQ, the State of Mississippi or the U.S. Treasury.

8. **AMENDMENTS OR MODIFICATION**

This Agreement may only be amended, modified, or supplemented by written agreement signed by the Parties hereto.

9. **PROGRESS REPORTS**

SUBRECIPIENT shall provide required progress reports during the Period of Performance of this Agreement in a format prescribed by MDEQ. These reports shall be submitted in accordance with the following schedule, which may be amended from time to time:

<u>REPORTING PERIOD</u>	<u>DEADLINE</u>
October – December	January 15
January – March	April 15
April – June	July 15
July – September	October 15

This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement with respect to any reports which SUBRECIPIENT is required to submit to MDEQ following the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

10. **FAILURE TO TIMELY PERFORM**

SUBRECIPIENT shall take all reasonable measures to ensure MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF used for MCWI matching funds are obligated by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024. SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges and agrees that its failure to obligate MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF used for MCWI matching funds by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024, may result in MDEQ modifying the MCWI Grant Funds awarded or terminating this Agreement.

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If SUBRECIPIENT refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof authorized by MDEQ or if SUBRECIPIENT otherwise fails to satisfy the Agreement provisions or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, MDEQ may notify SUBRECIPIENT in writing of the delay or nonperformance. If such delay or nonperformance is not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by MDEQ, MDEQ may terminate SUBRECIPIENT's right to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to perform properly.

Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement and subject to any directions by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall take timely, reasonable, and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of SUBRECIPIENT in which the State has an interest.

11. FINAL PAYMENT AND REPORT

When SUBRECIPIENT has performed all the Work, SUBRECIPIENT shall transmit to MDEQ a comprehensive report on the Work in a format prescribed by MDEQ (the "Final Report"). The Final Report shall be provided by SUBRECIPIENT to MDEQ within forty-five (45) days of Project completion in a format prescribed by MDEQ. Upon acceptance of Final Report, MDEQ will process final Reimbursement Request.

Upon satisfactory completion of the Work performed under this Agreement, as a condition before final payment under this Agreement or as a termination settlement under this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall certify to MDEQ, on a form provided by MDEQ, that the final payment amount is the remaining amount that SUBRECIPIENT is owed under this Agreement and that no additional payment for its Work under this Project will be submitted for reimbursement. Unless otherwise provided in the Agreement, by state law or otherwise expressly agreed to by the Parties in this Agreement, final payment under this Agreement or settlement upon termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of MDEQ's claims against SUBRECIPIENT or its sureties under this Agreement.

In consideration of the execution of this Agreement by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT agrees that acceptance of final payment from MDEQ will constitute an agreement by SUBRECIPIENT to release and forever discharge MDEQ, its agents, employees, officers, representatives, affiliates, successors and assigns from any and all claims, demands, damages, liabilities, actions, causes of action or suits of any nature whatsoever, which SUBRECIPIENT has at the time of acceptance of final payment or may thereafter have, arising out of, in connection with or in any way relating to any and all injuries and damages of any kind as a result of or in any way relating to this Agreement.

12. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

MDEQ requires that SUBRECIPIENT have in place, prior to the receipt of funds, a financial management system that will be able to isolate and trace every dollar funded under this Agreement from receipt to expenditure and have on file appropriate support documentation for each transaction. Examples of documentation include but are not limited to copies of checks paid to vendors, vendor invoices, bills of lading, purchase vouchers, payrolls, bank statements and reconciliations, and real property and easement appraisals. Prior to the submittal of any such

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documentation to MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall redact, in accordance with the definition of "Protected Personally Identifiable Information" ("Protected PII") as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1, all information reflecting an individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of types of information, including, but not limited to, social security number, passport number, credit card numbers, clearances, bank numbers, biometrics, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, criminal, medical and financial records, educational transcripts. This does not include PII as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 200.1 that is required by law to be disclosed. SUBRECIPIENT and any Contracted Parties (as such term is defined in Article 13 of this Agreement) are limited to the travel rates of the State of Mississippi, including dining and hotels, in place at the time of the expenditure for which reimbursement is sought; and SUBRECIPIENT shall audit any such invoice for same, clearly indicating the actual expense and the adjustment, if any.

SUBRECIPIENT certifies that all information provided to MDEQ or its representatives as part of the initial risk assessment for this Work is complete and accurate. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to submit to and cooperate with MDEQ in any additional risk assessment evaluation and periodic audit procedures to ensure adequate financial management of all funds. Further, SUBRECIPIENT shall continue to implement any recommendations and/or corrective action plan set forth in the report transmitted to SUBRECIPIENT based on the findings of the systems and processes for financial management, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment "B" and incorporated herein in its entirety.

13. CONTRACTS

SUBRECIPIENT shall be responsible for accountability of funds, compliance with Project specifications, and Project management by its contractors. MDEQ shall not bear responsibility for any liability caused or incurred by any contractor in performing Work. MDEQ shall not be deemed by virtue of this Agreement to have any contractual obligation to, or relationship with, any of SUBRECIPIENT's contractors, and the Parties agree and acknowledge that, as between MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT, all Work shall be deemed to be the responsibility of, and performed by, SUBRECIPIENT. No contractor or other recipient of funds from MDEQ under this Agreement shall be deemed to be an agent, representative, employee or servant of MDEQ in connection with this Agreement. The parties with whom contracts or subaward agreements are entered into by the SUBRECIPIENT shall be referred to herein as "Contractor", "Contracted Party", or "Contracted Parties". In addition to ensuring that its Contracted Parties follow the applicable terms in this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall require all terms and conditions set forth in Attachments "A" and "C" attached hereto to be included in all agreements between the SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Parties, and in all agreements between Contracted Parties and Contracted Parties' contractors/sub-contractors.

14. APPLICABLE LAW

The Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of Mississippi and applicable federal law excluding, its conflict of laws provisions, and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the State. SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the following:

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A. *Authorizing Statutes.* Section 603 of the *Social Security Act* (42 U.S.C. § 803), as added by section 9901(a) of the *American Rescue Plan Act of 2021* (Pub. L. No. 117-2) and Mississippi Senate Bill No. 2822, entitled the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program Act of 2022, Regular Session 2022 (April 26, 2022).

B. *Implementing Regulations.* Subpart A of 31 C.F.R. Part 35 (Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds), as adopted in the *Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds* interim final rule (86 Fed. Reg. 26786, applicable May 17, 2021 through March 31, 2022) and final rule (87 Fed. Reg. 4338, applicable January 27, 2022 through the end of the ARP/CSLFRF award term), and other subsequent regulations implementing Section 603 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. § 803), as well as MDEQ regulations, entitled "Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality Regulations for the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program."

C. *Guidance Documents.* Applicable guidance documents issued from time-to-time by the US Department of Treasury and MDEQ, including the currently applicable version of the *Compliance and Reporting Guidance: State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds*.¹

D. *Licenses, Certifications, Permits, Accreditation.* SUBRECIPIENT shall obtain and keep current any license, certification, permit, or accreditation required by federal, state, or local law and shall submit to MDEQ proof of any licensure, certification, permit or accreditation upon request.

15. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

It is expressly understood and agreed that the obligation of MDEQ to proceed under this Agreement is conditioned upon the availability of the funds from state, federal, and/or other funding sources. If the funds anticipated for the continuing fulfillment of the Agreement are, at any time, not forthcoming or insufficient, either through the failure of the federal government to provide funds or of the State of Mississippi to appropriate funds or the discontinuance or material alteration of the program under which funds were provided or if funds are not otherwise available to MDEQ, MDEQ shall have the right upon ten (10) working days written notice to the SUBRECIPIENT, to terminate this Agreement without damage, penalty, cost or expenses to MDEQ of any kind whatsoever. The effective date of termination shall be as specified in the notice of termination.

16. REPRESENTATION REGARDING CONTINGENT FEES

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it has not retained a person to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

¹ <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>.

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17. REPRESENTATION REGARDING GRATUITIES

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it has not violated, is not violating, and promises that it will not violate the prohibition against gratuities set forth in Section 6-204 (Gratuities) of the *Mississippi Public Procurement Review Board Office of Personal Service Contract Review Rules and Regulations* and Section 9.105 (Gratuities) of the Mississippi Procurement Manual.

18. UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with the *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, 2 C.F.R. Part 200 ("UG"), as adopted by the Department of Treasury at 2 C.F.R. Part 1000 and as set forth in the Assistance Listing for ARP/CSLFRF (21.027). These requirements dictate how SUBRECIPIENT must administer the Subaward and how MDEQ must oversee SUBRECIPIENT. As a condition of receipt of the grant funds authorized in this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to watch the video entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview" found at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>.

The applicable UG provisions are as follows:

- Subpart A, Acronyms and Definitions;
- Subpart B, General Provisions;
- Subpart C, Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards (except 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.204, .205, .210, and .213);
- Subpart D, Post Federal Award Requirements (except 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.305(b)(8) and (9), .308, .309, and .320(c)(4));
- Subpart E, Cost Principles;
- Subpart F, Audit Requirements;
- 2 C.F.R. Part 25 (Universal Identifier and System for Award Management);
- 2 C.F.R. Part 170 (Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information); and
- 2 C.F.R. Part 180 (OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)).

SUBRECIPIENT shall document compliance with UG requirements, including adoption and implementation of all required policies and procedures, within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Agreement and during all subsequent reviews during the term of the Agreement. It is SUBRECIPIENT's responsibility to comply with all UG requirements. Failure to do so may result in termination of the Agreement by MDEQ.

All real property acquired or improved, and equipment or supplies purchased in whole or in part with MCWI Grant Funds and/or LFRF, must be used, insured, managed, and disposed of in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.311 through 2 C.F.R. § 200.316.

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19. SUBAWARDS

If SUBRECIPIENT is authorized by MDEQ to make a Subaward, SUBRECIPIENT must include and incorporate the terms and conditions of this Agreement and any attachments, in all lower tier Subawards. Further, SUBRECIPIENT, who makes a Subaward, must follow and carry out all the responsibilities of a Pass-through entity described at 2 C.F.R. Part 200.

20. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

SUBRECIPIENT understands that MDEQ is an equal opportunity employer and therefore, maintains a policy which prohibits unlawful discrimination based on race, color, creed, sex, age, national origin, physical handicap, disability, genetic information, or any other consideration made unlawful by federal, state, or local laws. All such discrimination is unlawful, and SUBRECIPIENT agrees during the Period of Performance of the Agreement that SUBRECIPIENT will strictly adhere to this policy in its employment practices and work performance under this Agreement. SUBRECIPIENT shall comply with, and all activities under this Agreement shall be subject to, all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations, as now existing and as may be amended or modified.

Nothing contained in this Agreement may be deemed or construed in any way to stop, limit, or impair MDEQ from exercising or performing any regulatory, legislative, governmental, or other powers or functions.

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under ARPA, including the information provided by the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Final Rule.²

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under Mississippi Senate Bill 2822 of the 2022 Legislative Session.³

SUBRECIPIENT is required to review and understand the requirements, limitations and restrictions placed upon them under by the Regulations promulgated by MDEQ.⁴

21. STOP WORK ORDER

A. *Order to Stop Work:* MDEQ may, by written order to SUBRECIPIENT at any time and without notice to any surety, require SUBRECIPIENT to stop all or any part of the Work called for by this Agreement. This order shall be for a specified period not exceeding ninety (90) days after the order is delivered to SUBRECIPIENT, unless the Parties agree to any further period. Any such order shall be identified specifically as a stop work order issued pursuant to this clause. Upon receipt of such an order, SUBRECIPIENT shall forthwith comply with its terms and take all reasonable steps to minimize the occurrence of costs allocable to the Work covered by the order during the period of work

² <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2022-01-27/pdf/2022-00292.pdf>

³ <https://mwaterinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Mississippi-Senate-Bill-2822.pdf>

⁴ <https://mwaterinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/MCW1-Regulations-Final.pdf>

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stoppage. Before the stop work order expires, or within any further period to which the Parties shall have agreed, MDEQ shall either:

- i. cancel the stop work order; or
- ii. terminate the Work covered by such order as provided in the Termination for Default clause or the Termination for Convenience clause of this Agreement.

B. *Cancellation or Expiration of the Order:* If a stop work order issued under this clause is canceled at any time during the period specified in the order or if the period of the order or any extension thereof expires, SUBRECIPIENT shall have the right to resume Work. An appropriate adjustment may be made in the Period of Performance or Maximum Amount, or both, and the Agreement shall be modified in writing accordingly if:

- i. The stop work order results in an increase in the time required for, or in SUBRECIPIENT's cost properly allocable to, the performance of any part of this Agreement; and

- ii. SUBRECIPIENT provides a written claim for such an adjustment within thirty (30) days after the end of the period of work stoppage; provided that MDEQ decides that the facts justify such action and any such claim asserted may be received and acted upon at any time prior to final payment under this Agreement.

C. *Termination of Stopped Work:* If a stop work order is not canceled and the Work covered by such order is terminated for default or convenience, the reasonable costs resulting from the stop work order may be allowed by adjustment or otherwise.

22. E-PAYMENT

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to accept all payments in United States currency via the State of Mississippi's electronic payment and remittance vehicle. MDEQ agrees to make payment in accordance with Mississippi law on "Timely Payments for Purchases by Public Bodies," which generally provides for payment of undisputed amounts by the agency within forty-five (45) days of receipt of invoice. Miss. Code Ann. § 31-7-305.

23. INTERVENTIONS

If MDEQ determines that SUBRECIPIENT is not in compliance with this Agreement, MDEQ may initiate an intervention, in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.208 and 2 C.F.R. § 200.339. The degree of SUBRECIPIENT's performance or compliance deficiency will determine the degree of intervention. All possible interventions are listed below and will depend on the degree of deficiency in SUBRECIPIENT's performance or compliance deficiency.

If MDEQ determines that an intervention is warranted, it shall provide written notice to SUBRECIPIENT of the intervention within thirty (30) days of the completion of a report review, desk review, onsite review, audit review, or procedures engagement review, or as soon as possible

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after MDEQ otherwise learns of a compliance or performance deficiency related to the execution of this Agreement. The written notice shall notify SUBRECIPIENT of the following related to the intervention:

- (1) The nature of the additional requirements;
- (2) The reason why the additional requirements are being imposed;
- (3) The nature of the action needed to remove the additional requirement, if applicable;
- (4) The time allowed for completing the actions if applicable; and
- (5) The method for requesting reconsideration of the additional requirements imposed.

MDEQ may impose, but is not limited to, the following interventions on SUBRECIPIENT, based on the level of the compliance or performance deficiency that MDEQ determines:

Level 1 Interventions. These interventions may be required for minor compliance or performance issues:

- (1) SUBRECIPIENT addresses specific internal control, documentation, financial management, compliance, or performance issues within a specified time period; and/or
- (2) More frequent or more thorough reporting by the SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (3) More frequent monitoring by MDEQ; and/or
- (4) Required SUBRECIPIENT technical assistance or training.

Level 2 Interventions. These interventions may be required for more serious compliance or performance issues:

- (1) Restrictions on funding payment requests by SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (2) Disallowing payments to SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (3) Requiring repayment for disallowed cost items; and/or
- (4) Imposing probationary status on SUBRECIPIENT.

Level 3 Interventions. These interventions may be required for significant and/or persistent compliance or performance issues:

- (1) Temporary or indefinite funding suspension to SUBRECIPIENT; and/or
- (2) Nonrenewal of funding to SUBRECIPIENT in subsequent year; and/or
- (3) Terminate funding to SUBRECIPIENT in the current year; and/or
- (4) Initiate legal action against SUBRECIPIENT.

Interventions will remain in place until the underlying performance or compliance deficiency is addressed to the sole satisfaction of MDEQ.

24. **E-VERIFICATION**

If applicable, SUBRECIPIENT represents and certifies that it will ensure its compliance with the Mississippi Employment Protection Act of 2008 and will register and participate in the status verification system for all newly hired employees. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 71-11-1, *et seq.* The term "employee" as used herein means any person that is hired to perform work within the State.

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As used herein, "status verification system" means the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigration Responsibility Act of 1996 that is operated by the United States Department of Homeland Security, also known as the E-Verify Program, or any other successor electronic verification system replacing the E-Verify Program. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to maintain records of such compliance. Upon request of the State of Mississippi and after approval of the Social Security Administration or Department of Homeland Security, when required, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide a copy of each such verification. SUBRECIPIENT further represents and certifies that any person assigned to perform services hereafter meets the employment eligibility requirements of all immigration laws.

25. TRANSPARENCY

This Agreement, including any accompanying exhibits, attachments, and appendices, is subject to the "Mississippi Public Records Act of 1983" and its exceptions. See Miss. Code Ann. §§ 25-61-1 *et seq.* and Miss. Code Ann. § 79-23-1. In addition, this Agreement is subject to the provisions of the Mississippi Accountability and Transparency Act of 2008. Miss. Code Ann. §§ 27-104-151, *et seq.* Unless exempted from disclosure due to a court-issued protective order, a copy of this executed Agreement may be posted to the Department of Finance and Administration's independent agency Agreement website for public access at <https://www.transparency.mississippi.gov>. Information identified by SUBRECIPIENT as trade secrets or other proprietary information, including confidential vendor information, or any other information which is required to be confidential by state or federal law or outside the applicable freedom of information statutes will be redacted.

26. PAYMODE

Payments by state agencies using the statewide accounting system shall be made and remittance information provided electronically as directed by MDEQ. These payments shall be deposited into the bank account of SUBRECIPIENT's choice. MDEQ may, at its sole discretion, require SUBRECIPIENT to submit invoices and supporting documentation electronically at any time during the Period of Performance of this Agreement. SUBRECIPIENT understands and agrees that MDEQ is exempt from the payment of taxes. All payments shall be in United States currency.

27. TERMINATION

The Agreement may be terminated as follows:

A. *Termination For Convenience.*

The MDEQ may, when the interests of the State so require, terminate this Agreement in whole or in part, for the convenience of the State. MDEQ shall give written notice of the termination to SUBRECIPIENT specifying the part of the Agreement terminated and when termination becomes effective.

B. *Termination For Default.*

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If SUBRECIPIENT refuses or fails to perform any of the provisions of this Agreement with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof or otherwise fails to satisfy the Agreement provisions or commits any other substantial breach of this Agreement, MDEQ may notify SUBRECIPIENT in writing of the delay or nonperformance, and if not cured in ten (10) days or any longer time specified in writing by MDEQ, MDEQ may terminate SUBRECIPIENT's right to proceed with the Agreement or such part of the Agreement as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform.

Notwithstanding termination of the Agreement and subject to any directions by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT shall take timely, reasonable, and necessary action to protect and preserve property in the possession of SUBRECIPIENT in which the State has an interest.

C. Termination Upon Bankruptcy.

This Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part by MDEQ upon written notice to SUBRECIPIENT, if SUBRECIPIENT should become the subject of bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, whether voluntary or involuntary, or upon the execution by SUBRECIPIENT of an assignment for the benefit of its creditors. In the event of such termination, SUBRECIPIENT shall be entitled to recover just and equitable compensation for satisfactory Work performed under this Agreement, but in no case shall said compensation exceed the total Maximum Amount.

28. DISPUTES

Before pleading to any judicial system at any level, SUBRECIPIENT must exhaust all administrative remedies. A written complaint must first be sent to the Executive Director of MDEQ. The decision of the Executive Director shall be reduced to writing and a copy thereof mailed or furnished to SUBRECIPIENT within fourteen (14) days after receipt of information requested by MDEQ or the Executive Director. If the decision of the Executive Director does not resolve the matter, successive administrative remedies may, at SUBRECIPIENT's option, include bringing the complaint before the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §§ 49-17-35 and -41. In the alternative, at SUBRECIPIENT's option, the decision of the Executive Director may be deemed the final agency action on the complaint. Appeals from the decision of the Executive Director or the Commission shall follow procedures outlined in Miss. Code Ann. § 49-17-41.

29. ANTI-ASSIGNMENT/CONTRACTING

SUBRECIPIENT shall not assign, contract, or otherwise transfer this Agreement, in whole or in part without the prior written consent of MDEQ, which MDEQ may, in its sole discretion, approve or deny without reason. Any attempted assignment or transfer of its obligations without such consent shall be null and void. No such approval by MDEQ of any contract shall be deemed in any way to provide for the incurrence of any obligation of MDEQ in excess of the Maximum MCWI

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Grant Fund amount set forth in this Agreement, nor create any contractual relationship between MDEQ and any Contracted Parties. Contracts shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and to any conditions of approval that MDEQ may deem necessary. Subject to the foregoing, this Agreement shall be binding upon the respective successors and assigns of the Parties.

30. **AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS AGREEMENT**

SUBRECIPIENT certifies and acknowledges it is a Mississippi county, municipality or public utility, as defined in MCWI regulation, Rule 1.1. E. (17), and that it has LFRF to use as match funding for this grant. SUBRECIPIENT further certifies and acknowledges that its entry into and performance under this Agreement is not restricted or prohibited by any loan, security, financing, contractual, or other agreement of any kind; and, notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, that there are no existing legal proceedings, either voluntary or otherwise, which may adversely affect its ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

31. **DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION**

SUBRECIPIENT certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it, and its Contracted Parties:

A. are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction by any federal department or agency or any political subdivision or agency of the State of Mississippi;

B. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or Agreement or Contract under a public transaction;

C. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

D. are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of these offenses enumerated in Article 31. B. and Article 31. C., above; and

E. have not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

32. **FAILURE TO ENFORCE**

Failure by MDEQ, at any time, to enforce the provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any such provisions. Such failure to enforce shall not affect the validity of this Agreement or any part thereof or the right of MDEQ to enforce any provision at any time in accordance with its terms.

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33. **INDEMNIFICATION**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to maintain responsibility for the Project and agrees to provide proper operation and maintenance of all facilities for the life of the Project. SUBRECIPIENT's tort liability, if it is an entity of the State of Mississippi, is determined and controlled in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. §§ 11-46-1 *et seq.*, including all defenses and exceptions contained therein. Nothing in this Agreement shall have the effect of changing or altering this liability or of eliminating any defense available to the State under statute.

To the extent allowed by state law, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to indemnify and save, release and hold harmless the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, MDEQ, all of their employees and officers, and MDEQ's contractors from and against any and all claim, demand, cause of action, liability, loss, damage, injury, suit, judgment, debt and cost, including attorney's fees or expenses on the part of SUBRECIPIENT, their agents or employees or any other parties arising out of or incident to, any and all Work under the terms of this Agreement.

34. **SUBRECIPIENT STATUS**

SUBRECIPIENT shall, during the entire Period of Performance of this Agreement, be construed to be an independent SUBRECIPIENT. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to nor shall be construed to create an employer-employee relationship or a joint venture relationship.

SUBRECIPIENT represents that it is qualified to perform the duties to be performed under this Agreement and that it has, or will secure, if needed, at its own expense, applicable personnel who are qualified to perform the duties required under this Agreement. Such personnel shall not be deemed in any way, directly or indirectly, expressly or by implication, to be employees of MDEQ.

Any person assigned by SUBRECIPIENT to perform the services hereunder shall be an employee or independent contractor of SUBRECIPIENT, who shall have the sole right to hire and discharge its employees and/or independent contractors under this Agreement.

SUBRECIPIENT shall pay, when due, all salaries and wages of its employees and accepts exclusive responsibility for the payment of federal income tax, state income tax, social security, unemployment compensation and any other withholdings that may be required. This provision is solely for the benefit of MDEQ, and nothing herein shall be construed to create or impose any contractual or agency relationship between MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT'S contractors, subcontractors, employees or agents.

35. **INSURANCE**

SUBRECIPIENT and its Contracted Parties agree to and shall maintain insurance that is required by applicable state, federal, and local laws and regulations.

36. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, including all attachments, represents the entire and integrated agreement between the Parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations or agreements,

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irrespective of whether written or oral. This Agreement may be altered, amended, or modified only by a written document executed by MDEQ and SUBRECIPIENT. SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges that it has thoroughly read this Agreement and all its attachments and has had the opportunity to receive competent advice and counsel necessary for it to form a full and complete understanding of all rights and obligations herein.

37. ORAL STATEMENTS

No oral statement of any person shall modify or otherwise affect the terms, conditions, or specifications stated in this Agreement. All modifications to the Agreement must be made in writing by the MDEQ and agreed to by SUBRECIPIENT.

38. RECORD RETENTION AND ACCESS TO RECORDS

Provided SUBRECIPIENT is given reasonable advance written notice and such inspection is made during normal business hours of SUBRECIPIENT, the Government Accountability Office, MDEQ, the State or any duly authorized representatives shall have unimpeded, prompt access to any of SUBRECIPIENT's books, documents, papers, and other records which are maintained or produced as a result of the Project for the purpose of making audits, investigations, examinations, excerpts, transcriptions, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to the SUBRECIPIENT's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. All records related to this Agreement shall be retained by SUBRECIPIENT for a minimum of ten (10) years after final payment is made under this Agreement and all pending matters are closed; however, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before the end of the ten (10) year period, the records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the ten (10) year period, whichever is later.

SUBRECIPIENT is not required to retain the above-mentioned records for the ten-year period prescribed in this Article and Article 39 only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- A. SUBRECIPIENT has provided all of the documents described above and in the "Right to Audit" provision to MDEQ prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year retention period and a certification stating the same is simultaneously provided in writing to MDEQ;
- B. No audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before SUBRECIPIENT provides the records and corresponding certification to MDEQ, in which case, SUBRECIPIENT shall retain the records until all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved; and
- C. SUBRECIPIENT provides MDEQ a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice before providing the above-mentioned records and corresponding certification.

39. RIGHT TO AUDIT

SUBRECIPIENT shall maintain all financial records, including electronic financial records, as may be prescribed by the MDEQ or by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and

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regulations. SUBRECIPIENT shall retain these records for a period of ten (10) years after final payment. These records shall be made available during the term of the Agreement and the subsequent ten (10) year period for examination, transcription, and audit by MDEQ, the Mississippi State Auditor's Office, its designees, or other authorized bodies, including the Office of Inspector General. If any litigation, claim, investigation, or audit relating to this Agreement or an activity funded under the Agreement is started before the expiration of the ten (10) year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, investigations, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.

40. **RIGHT TO INSPECT WORK; ACCESS**

MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants shall have access and the right to conduct announced and unannounced onsite and offsite physical visits to inspect all Work hereunder. Notwithstanding any review or inspection by MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants, SUBRECIPIENT shall not be relieved of its responsibility for performance of the Work or the submission of reports as expressly set forth in this Agreement solely by virtue of such inspection or review of the Work. SUBRECIPIENT shall provide MDEQ and its representatives, invitees, and consultants with the opportunity to participate in site inspections, meetings, and/or teleconferences, as appropriate, related to SUBRECIPIENT's performance of the Work.

41. **SEVERABILITY**

If any part of this Agreement is declared to be invalid or unenforceable, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of the Agreement that can be given effect without the invalid or unenforceable provision, and to this end the provisions hereof are severable. In such event, the Parties shall amend the Agreement as necessary to reflect the original intent of the Parties and to bring any invalid or unenforceable provisions in compliance with applicable law.

42. **THIRD PARTY ACTION NOTIFICATION**

SUBRECIPIENT shall give the MDEQ prompt notice in writing of any action or suit filed, and prompt notice of any claim made against SUBRECIPIENT by any entity that may result in litigation related in any way to this Agreement.

43. **CERTIFICATIONS**

SUBRECIPIENT's execution of this Agreement shall be deemed as acknowledgement, guarantee and certification by SUBRECIPIENT of the following:

A. SUBRECIPIENT has sufficient LFRF in its possession that it will use to match MCWI Grant Funds.

B. SUBRECIPIENT will follow and abide by all ARPA guidelines, guidance, rules, regulations, and other criteria, as may be amended from time to time, by the U.S. Treasury regarding the use of monies under this Agreement.

C. As required in Attachment A, Article (1) a., SUBRECIPIENT's Authorized Representative, or his/her designee has watched the video on the MDEQ

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<https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com> web-page entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview."

D. All of SUBRECIPIENT's LFRF used as MCWI matching funds, as well as MCWI Grant Funds received by SUBRECIPIENT, have been or will be used for the Project detailed in this Agreement.

E. Upon request by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT will provide an Intergovernmental Review Certification as detailed in the MCWI Regulations.

F. SUBRECIPIENT will obligate all MCWI Grant Funds and LFRF funds used for MCWI matching funds by 11:59 p.m. on August 30, 2024.

G. If SUBRECIPIENT does not complete the Project by December 31, 2026, SUBRECIPIENT acknowledges and agrees to complete the Project with other funds.

44. **WAIVER**

No delay or omission by either Party to this Agreement in exercising any right, power, or remedy hereunder or otherwise afforded by Agreement, at law, or in equity shall constitute an acquiescence therein, impair any other right, power or remedy hereunder or otherwise afforded by any means, or operate as a waiver of such right, power, or remedy. No waiver by either Party to this Agreement shall be valid unless set forth in writing by the Party making said waiver. No waiver of or modification to any term or condition of this Agreement will void, waive, or change any other term or condition. No waiver by one Party to this Agreement of a default by the other Party will imply, be construed as or require waiver of future or other defaults.

45. **COMPLIANCE WITH MISS. CODE ANN. § 31-5-37**

If applicable, SUBRECIPIENT shall ensure that Contracted Parties and bidders solicited for contract awards pursuant to this Agreement comply with the requirements of Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37. SUBRECIPIENT shall require all bidders for any contract of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or more procured or to be procured with funds received pursuant to this Agreement to submit a certification with their bid that said bidder will comply with the provisions of Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37. In addition, within seven (7) days of any such contract award procured or to be procured with funds received pursuant to this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT shall require the Contracted Party to submit to both SUBRECIPIENT and the Mississippi Department of Employment Security ("MDES") an employment plan which conforms to the requirements contained in Miss. Code. Ann. § 31-5-37(2).

From the date written notice of any such contract award is received and until ten (10) business days after the receipt of the employment plan by MDES, the Contracted Party and any subcontractors shall not hire any personnel to fill vacant positions for the project except residents of the State of Mississippi who are to be verified by MDES and/or those qualified individuals who are submitted by MDES. However, the Contracting Party or contractor is authorized to employ Mississippi residents to begin work immediately if such persons are verified by MDES after employment by the Contracting Party or contractor. SUBRECIPIENT shall vacate the contract

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award in the event the Contracting Party fails to comply with the provisions of Miss. Code Ann. § 31-5-37.

46. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

SUBRECIPIENT shall immediately notify MDEQ in writing of any potential conflict of interest resulting from the representation of or service to other clients or otherwise affecting this Agreement in any way. If any such conflict occurs before it is discovered, SUBRECIPIENT shall notify MDEQ of such conflict within five (5) working days of such discovery. If such conflict cannot be resolved to MDEQ's satisfaction, MDEQ reserves the right to terminate this Agreement per the "Termination for Convenience" clause.

47. **SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

This Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective permitted successors and permitted assigns.

48. **NO THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES**

This Agreement is for the sole benefit of the Parties hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns, and nothing herein, express or implied, is intended to or shall confer upon any other person or entity any legal or equitable right, benefit or remedy of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

49. **EVALUATION**

SUBRECIPIENT agrees to assist and cooperate with the MDEQ or its duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the Project(s) to which the Agreement relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by MDEQ such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.

Further, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to cooperate with MDEQ or its duly designated representatives by providing timely responses to all reasonable requests for information to assist in evaluation of the accomplishments of the Project and the agreement for a period of ten (10) years after the date on which the Final Reports are provided.

50. **VENUE**

Venue for the resolution of any dispute, according to Article 28 of this Agreement, shall be before the Mississippi Commission on Environmental Quality if pursuing an administrative appeal, and venue for any subsequent litigation shall be in the Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi.

51. **HEADINGS**

The headings in this Agreement are for reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

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52. **NOTICES**

Unless otherwise specified in the Agreement, all notices, requests, consents, claims, demands, waivers and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been given (a) when delivered by hand (with written confirmation of receipt); (b) when received by the addressee if sent by a nationally recognized overnight courier (receipt requested); (c) on the date sent by facsimile or e-mail of document(s) (with confirmation of transmission) if sent during normal business hours of the recipient, and on the next business day if sent after normal business hours of the recipient; or (d) on the third day after the date mailed, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid. Such communications must be sent to the respective Parties at the following addresses (or at such other address for a Party as shall be specified in a notice given in accordance with this subsection):

If to MDEC:	Attention: MCWI Contract Administration 515 East Amite Street P.O. Box 2249 Jackson, MS 39201 E-mail: MCWIdocuments@mdeq.ms.gov
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If to SUBRECIPIENT:	Attention: Mayor George L. Bass 201 Jeff Davis Avenue Long Beach, MS 39560 Phone: (228) 863-1556 E-mail: mayor@cityoflongbeachms.com
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53. **COUNTERPARTS**

Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same Agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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For the faithful performance and consideration provided under the terms of this Agreement, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by their undersigned authorized representatives.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Chris Wells
Executive Director

Date

CITY OF LONG BEACH



Mayor George L. Bass
Signature of Authorized Representative

George L. Bass

George L. Bass
Printed Name

Mayor

Title

1/17/23

Date

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ATTACHMENT A

**PROJECT NAME, SCOPE OF WORK AND PROJECT TIMELINE AND
REQUIREMENTS**

PROJECT NAME

Critical Drainage Improvements

SCOPE OF WORK

The Project shall be defined as eligible activities funded in whole or in part under this Agreement as follows:

Scope of work for this Project is to replace or install various stormwater components (culverts, basins, conveyances, etc.) in Trautman Bayou, Briarwood, Parkwood, Park Row areas, implement erosion control, and correct failing infrastructure.

The general Scope of Work to be performed by SUBRECIPIENT is limited to that which was submitted in the MCWI Application Portal and approved for funding in accordance with the MCWI Program Regulations. SUBRECIPIENT hereby agrees that no additional eligible scope may be added to this Scope of Work without the express written consent of MDEQ. The Scope of Work eligible for reimbursement is limited to that identified as eligible by MDEQ and further described by plans, specifications, contract documents, and contract change orders approved as eligible by MDEQ.

PROJECT TIMELINE AND REQUIREMENTS

- (1) SUBRECIPIENT agrees to the following schedule.
- a. Within 10 days of execution of this Agreement, SUBRECIPIENT's Authorized Representative, or his/her designee shall watch the video on the MDEQ <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com> web-page entitled "American Rescue Plan Act State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, Procurement Overview." The web-page will track compliance with this requirement;
 - b. On or about December 1, 2023, submit a complete set of plans, specifications, contract documents on each construction contract, and all applicable permits and agency approvals, if not already submitted to MDEQ;
 - c. On or about March 1, 2024, advertise each construction contract for bids, if not already submitted to MDEQ;
 - d. On or about May 1, 2024, receive bids;

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- e. No later than 60 days after receipt of bids on each construction contract, execute construction contract;
- f. No later than 15 days after execution of construction contract, submit the entire procurement file (including but not limited to the request for proposals, evidence of publication, MBE/WBE documentation, all received bids, evaluation and selection documentation, executed construction contracts, and professional services contracts);
- g. No later than 60 days after execution of each construction contract, execute and submit a copy of the notice to proceed;
- h. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 25% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- i. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 50% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- j. No later than 5 business days after the estimated completion of 75% of construction, submit a notice to MDEQ of such milestone;
- k. No later than 5 business days after completion of each construction contract, notify MDEQ of construction completion;
- l. No later than 30 days after the contract completion date on each construction contract, submit all change orders which include time extensions, or a request and justification for delaying MDEQ's final construction observation;
- m. Within 45 days of Project completion, but no later than September 30, 2026, whichever is earlier, unless an extension of this date is specifically authorized by MDEQ, SUBRECIPIENT must submit the following: Final Report, as listed in Article 11, the engineer's certification of compliance with plans, specifications, and contract documents; final professional services contract amendments, if any; and all other administrative forms and documents required by the Agreement.

(2) To the extent any documents required to be submitted in Attachment A, Article (1) above were submitted with the MCWI Grant Application through the Application Portal, the documents do not need to be resubmitted.

(3) All documents required to be submitted in Attachment A, Article (1) above, shall be uploaded to the Documents Portal at <https://www.mswaterinfrastructure.com>.

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ATTACHMENT B

**SYSTEMS AND PROCESSES FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN**

An evaluation for the assessment of uncontrolled risks of the SUBRECIPIENT's systems and processes for financial management was performed as of part of the initial subaward process by MDEQ, acting on behalf of the State of Mississippi, as administrator of this Subaward Agreement. MDEQ requests the SUBRECIPIENT provide the following information to MDEQ as part of observations made during the evaluation. MDEQ reserves the right to re-evaluate the assessment of uncontrolled risks upon subsequently identified facts:

1. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide MDEQ with a copy of their annual audited financial statements within 60 days of the report release date throughout the Period of Performance.
2. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to promptly notify MDEQ of any significant changes made to the SUBRECIPIENT's current policies and procedures that would impact financial management systems and processes, specifically those communicated as part of the evaluation, from which the current residual risk levels were derived.
3. SUBRECIPIENT agrees to promptly notify MDEQ of any level of fraud or abuse discovered within the organization without regard to materiality that is related to the operation of the Project, as well as other pervasive deficiencies identified for grant management practices from any source, both external and internal, throughout the program performance period.
4. If deficiencies, significant deficiencies and/or material weaknesses are reported to the SUBRECIPIENT, as part of any assurance, attestation, or monitoring engagement during the program performance period, SUBRECIPIENT agrees to provide its response(s) and/or corrective action plan(s) to MDEQ so that prompt action can be taken by MDEQ to mitigate any elevated level of uncontrolled risk that could potentially impact MDEQ's or the SUBRECIPIENT's ability to comply with Federal Award and/or subaward requirements.
5. SUBRECIPIENT agrees that MDEQ has the right to perform monitoring procedures as deemed appropriate by MDEQ based on the assessed risk of noncompliance.

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**ATTACHMENT C
SUBAWARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS
FOR CONTRACTED PARTIES**

1. AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS AGREEMENT

The Contracted Party certifies that (a) it is either a 1) state agency, 2) a validly organized business that is authorized to do business in the state of Mississippi, 3) a nongovernmental organization, or 4) a political subdivision of the state of Mississippi with valid authority to enter into this agreement and; (b) entry into and performance under this agreement is not restricted or prohibited by any loan, security, financing, contractual, or other agreement of any kind; and (c) notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, that there are no existing legal proceedings, either voluntary or otherwise, which may adversely affect its ability to perform its obligations under this agreement.

2. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

Contractor/Contracted Parties certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it:

A. is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction by any federal department or agency or any political subdivision or agency of the State of Mississippi;

B. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction;

C. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against it for a violation of federal or state antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

D. is not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (federal, state or local) with commission of any of these offenses enumerated in Article 2.B. and Article 2.C., above; and,

E. has not, within a three (3) year period preceding this Agreement, had one or more public transactions (federal, state, or local) terminated for cause or default.

This agreement is subject to 31 C.F.R. Part 19.

3. INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent allowed by state law, Contracted Party agrees to indemnify and save, release and hold harmless the State of Mississippi, the Commission on Environmental Quality, MDEQ, all of their employees and officers, and the Department's contractors from and against any and all

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claim, demand, cause of action, liability, loss, damage, injury, suit, judgment, debt and cost, including attorney's fees or expenses on the part of any Contracted Party, their agents or employees or any other parties arising out of or incident to, any and all Work under the terms of this Agreement.

4. RELATIONSHIP STATUS

The Contracted Party acknowledges and agrees that MDEQ is not a party, in any manner whatsoever, to any contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and the construction contractor(s), engineer(s), attorney(s), equipment supplier(s), contractor(s), or between any other parties of any kind whatsoever (hereinafter collectively referred to as "vendor"). The SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Party also acknowledge and agree that any benefit to vendors contracting with the SUBRECIPIENT or Contracted Parties arising from or associated with this Agreement is strictly incidental and all such vendors are not and are not intended to be considered as third party beneficiaries under any agreement between MDEQ and the SUBRECIPIENT.

Upon execution of any contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party in regard to the project, MDEQ does not assume any authorities, duties, responsibilities, or liabilities under such contract. The SUBRECIPIENT and Contracted Party shall not have any authority to bind or otherwise obligate MDEQ, directly or indirectly, under any contract or agreement between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party. The SUBRECIPIENT, Contracted Party and its vendors acknowledge and agree that any action taken by MDEQ in its role of grantor, or in its separate and distinct role as regulator shall not in any way change or alter its position as that of grantor.

MDEQ does not have any authority, duty, responsibility, or liability in contract claims or dispute identification, negotiation, resolution, or any other actions regarding contract claims under the contract(s) between the SUBRECIPIENT and any other party. The SUBRECIPIENT and the Contracted Party acknowledge and agree that MDEQ is not obligated to review, comment on, approve, or discuss the merits of any contract claims presented by or to any party. Any MDEQ reviews, approvals, observations, presence at meetings, written communications, verbal communications or other actions are not to be interpreted as addressing the merits of any claims, nor are they to be construed as interpreting the contract between the SUBRECIPIENT and the Contracted Party or any other parties.

5. ACCESS TO RECORDS

Provided Contracted Party is given reasonable advance written notice and such inspection is made during normal business hours of Contracted Party, then the Government Accountability Office, MDEQ, the State or any duly authorized representatives shall have unimpeded, prompt access to any of Contracted Party's books, documents, papers, and other records which are maintained or produced as a result of the Project for the purpose of making audits, investigations, examinations, excerpts, transcriptions, and copies of such documents. This right also includes timely and reasonable access to the Contracted Party's personnel for the purpose of interview and discussion related to such documents. All records related to this Agreement shall be retained by Contracted Party for a minimum of ten (10) years after final payment is made under this Agreement and all pending matters are closed; however, if any audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before the end of the ten (10) year period, the

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records shall be retained for one (1) year after all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved or until the end of the ten (10) year period, whichever is later.

Contracted Party is not required to retain the above-mentioned records for the ten (10) year period prescribed in this Section and the "Right to Audit" provision only if all of the following conditions are satisfied:

- A. Contracted Party has provided all of the documents described above and in the "Right to Audit" provision to MDEQ prior to the expiration of the ten (10) year retention period and a certification stating the same is simultaneously provided in writing to MDEQ;
- B. No audit, litigation or other action arising out of or related in any way to this Project is commenced before Contracted Party provides the records and corresponding certification to MDEQ, in which case, Contracted Party shall retain the records until all issues arising out of the action are finally resolved; and
- C. Contracted Party provides MDEQ a minimum of thirty (30) days written notice before providing the above-mentioned records and corresponding certification.

6. RECORD RETENTION AND RIGHT TO AUDIT

The Contracted Party shall maintain and retain books, documents, papers, financial records and other records, including electronic records, as may be prescribed by the MDEQ or by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations. Contracted Party shall retain these records for a period of ten (10) years after final payment. These records shall be made available during the term of the Agreement and the subsequent ten (10) year period for examination, transcription, and audit by MDEQ, the Mississippi State Auditor's Office, its designees, or other authorized bodies, including the Office of Inspector General. If any litigation, claim, investigation, or audit relating to this Agreement or an activity funded under the Agreement is started before the expiration of the ten (10) year period, the records must be retained until all litigation, claims, investigations, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved and final action taken.

7. RIGHT TO INSPECT WORK; SITE ACCESS

MDEQ and their representatives, invitees, and consultants shall have access and the right to conduct announced and unannounced onsite and offsite physical visits to inspect all Work hereunder. Upon request by MDEQ, Contracted Party shall provide MDEQ and its representatives, invitees, and consultants with the opportunity to participate in site inspections, meetings, and/or teleconferences, as appropriate, related to the performance of the Work.

8. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The Contracted Party covenants that he presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest direct or indirect in the Project that is the subject to this Agreement or any parcels therein, where applicable, or any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of his services hereunder. The Contracted Party further covenants that, in the performance of this agreement, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

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The Contracted Party agrees to establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using positions for a purpose that is or gives the appearance of being motivated by a desire for private gain for themselves or others, particularly those with whom they have a family, business, or other tie.

9. COOPERATION AND EVALUATION

The Contracted Party agrees to assist and cooperate with the MDEQ or its duly designated representatives in the monitoring of the Project(s) to which the Agreement relates, and to provide in form and manner approved by MDEQ such monitoring reports, progress reports, and the like as may be required and to provide such reports at the times specified.

Further, the Contracted Party agrees to cooperate with MDEQ or its duly designated representatives by providing timely responses to all reasonable requests for information to assist in evaluation of the accomplishments of the Project and the agreement for a period of ten (10) years after the date on which the Final Reports are provided.

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Alderman McGoey made motion seconded by Alderman Parker and unanimously carried to approve the following Gulf Coast Restoration Fund (GCRF) Grant Agreement with Mississippi Development Authority for the Quarles House project and authorize the Mayor to execute same:



State of Mississippi

TATE REEVES
Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

VIA EMAIL

January 12, 2023

Honorable George Bass
Mayor
City of Long Beach
Post Office Box 929
Long Beach, Mississippi 39560

RE: City of Long Beach – Quarles House Project – GCRF Grant Agreement

Dear Mayor Bass:

Attached is the grant agreement relative to the Quarles House Project. Please **execute and notarize two (2) copies of the agreement**, returning them to the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) at the address in the instructions included herein for signature. MDA will then return final executed copies to you once all parties have signed the agreement.

The grant funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement or services-rendered basis. Please note that section 2 of the grant agreement stipulates that all documentation for disbursements must be received by **June 30, 2023**.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at (601) 359-2058 or email swright@mississippi.org, respectively.

Sincerely,

Sarah Wright

Sarah Wright
Bureau Manager
Financial Resources Division

Enclosures

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**MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
GULF COAST RESTORATION FUND PROGRAM**

GRANT AGREEMENT

**City of Long Beach
Harrison County, Mississippi
GCRF-20-24**

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This Grant Agreement ("Agreement"), dated as of December 13, 2022, by and between the Mississippi Development Authority (acting for and on behalf of the State of Mississippi ("MDA") and the City of Long Beach as set forth in Item 1 of Annex A (the "Entity")

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund, Section 57-119-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, was created for the purpose of funding programs or projects that are located in the Gulf Coast region as defined in the federal RESTORE Act, or twenty-five (25) miles from the northern boundaries of the three (3) coastal counties of Harrison, Hancock and Jackson, but not limited to expand beyond the boundaries of Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River, Stone and George Counties; and

WHEREAS, these funds are provided for assistance to local units of government, nongovernmental organizations, institutions of higher learning, community colleges, ports, airports, public-private partnerships, private for-profit entities, private nonprofit entities and local economic development entities; and

WHEREAS, MDA is authorized to administer the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund monies upon appropriation by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 18 of Senate Bill 2977 2020 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, the Legislature appropriated Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist the City of Long Beach with its Quarles House Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21 of Senate Bill 2951 2021 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, the Legislature reappropriated Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist the City of Long Beach with its Quarles House Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 of Senate Bill 3049 2022 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, the Legislature reappropriated Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist the City of Long Beach with its Quarles House Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Act, Section 57-119, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Regulations (the "Regulations") adopted by MDA, the Entity has filed an application (the "Application") with MDA for a grant to be used for the development of the Project, more particularly described in Item 2A of Annex A (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, based upon the Application and other relevant factors, MDA has agreed to provide the Entity with a grant under the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund in the amount set forth in Item 3 of Annex A (the "Grant") under the terms and conditions set forth in Item 4 of Annex A, in order to fund, in part, and develop the Project; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive any funds, the Entity shall comply with the requirements of the Line-Item Appropriation Transparency Act, Section 27-104-351, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended; and

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WHEREAS, the Entity has committed to use the Grant funds for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project satisfies the provisions of the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund and the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto agree that it is necessary to provide for and demonstrate compliance with the provisions of the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the parties hereto intend to be legally bound hereby and in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained do hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Grant. MDA hereby agrees to make to the Entity and the Entity hereby agrees to accept from MDA a Grant pursuant and subject to the terms of this Agreement and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund as set forth in Annex A. The Entity hereby agrees that it will apply the proceeds of the Grant only to the costs of the Project as more fully described in the Application. The Grant shall be disbursed by MDA to the Entity in installments as provided in this Agreement pursuant to Item 4 of Annex A. MDA's obligation to make the Grant and to disburse the Grant in installments shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Entity satisfying all of its obligations under this Agreement and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund.

Section 2. Disbursements. The obligation of MDA to make any disbursement of the Grant shall be subject to the following conditions, as well as any others herein set forth:

- a. the Entity shall not be in default under this Agreement or the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund; and
- b. funds appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature; and
- c. the development of the Project shall have progressed at a rate and in a manner reasonably satisfactory to MDA; and
- d. the receipt by MDA of a certificate of a representative of the Entity in the form set forth in Section 3 hereof and the notice required of the Entity set forth in Section 4 hereof for such disbursement in a form satisfactory to MDA. If the Entity fails at any time to meet the conditions precedent to any disbursement of the Grant as specified in the preceding sentence, the obligation of MDA to make further disbursements in connection with the grant shall cease until such time as such condition precedent is met and satisfied. The parties hereto agree that disbursements by MDA to the Entity of the Grant shall be made by June 30, 2023. Any portion of the grant funds not disbursed before June 30, 2023 will be subject to reappropriation by the Legislature in subsequent years until the project is complete.

Section 3. Conditions. A condition precedent to all disbursements of the Grant shall be the delivery of a certificate of a representative of the Entity to the effect that:

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- a. to the best of its knowledge, the representations and warranties of the Entity contained in this Agreement are true and correct as of the date of the disbursements with the same effect as if made on the date of such disbursements; and
- b. this Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Entity and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Entity enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and except to the extent that the enforceability of the rights set forth herein may be limited by the availability of any particular remedies; and
- c. this Agreement has not been amended or supplemented or modified since the date of its execution and remains in full force and effect as of the date of the disbursement; and
- d. the authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Entity, and compliance by the Entity with the provisions hereof, will not conflict with or constitute a breach or default of the Entity's duties hereunder or under any law, administrative regulation, court decree, resolution, charter, bylaw or other agreement to which the Entity is subject or by which it is bound; and
- e. there is no action, suit, proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court or governmental agency or body pending or, to the best of its knowledge, after reasonable investigation and due inquiry, threatened against the Entity in any way contesting or affecting the validity of this Agreement or contesting the powers of the Entity to enter into or perform its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 4. Requisitions. A condition precedent to all disbursements of the Grant shall be the presentation to the State Treasurer of a warrant issued by the Department of Finance and Administration of the State or its successor to such duties, which warrant shall be issued under proper requisition signed by the Executive Director of MDA, all pursuant to Section 57-119-1(1). Warrants may only be issued for costs and expenses that are authorized by the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund and the Regulations. No requisition shall be executed by the Executive Director of MDA until the following shall have been satisfied:

- a. The Entity shall have provided MDA with reasonable written notice of the amount of the Grant disbursement requested by the Entity. Such notice shall contain all information necessary to enable MDA to prepare the requisition for a warrant described in this Section 4 including, without limitation, the name and title of the requesting representative of the Entity, the name of the party to be reimbursed

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and a description of the work product or service. In addition, such notice shall certify that the amount requested is the just amount due at the current time, is for a work product or service which has heretofore been delivered or performed and that all statutory requirements in connection with the acquisition of such work product or service have been complied with by the Entity; and

- b. The Entity must provide quarterly reports on the approved reporting form provided by MDA, due January 15, April 15, July 15 and October 15 on the status of the project. The report must include a written description and an itemized report detailing the expenditure of funds or the intended expenditure of any funds that have not been spent; and
- c. The Entity must provide proof of all non-grant funds expended on the project to ensure that GCRF funds are proportionately spent in relation to the total project cost share outlined in the Application; and
- d. MDA shall have indicated in writing its approval of the request for the Grant disbursement; and
- e. Disbursement of any funds shall be contingent upon the Entity complying with the quarterly reporting requirements; and
- f. A final written itemized report on the approved form provided by MDA must be timely submitted when all state funds have been spent.

Section 5. Representations of MDA. MDA makes the following representations as the basis for the undertakings on the part of the Local Sponsor herein contained:

- a. MDA is an agency of the State and is authorized pursuant to the provisions of the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund and the Regulations to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- b. MDA has full power and authority to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to carry out its obligations hereunder.
- c. MDA has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement and by proper action has duly authorized the execution and delivery hereof and as to MDA, this Agreement is valid and legally binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be limited:
 - (1) by bankruptcy, reorganization, or other similar laws limiting the enforceability of creditors' rights generally; or
 - (2) by the availability of any discretionary equitable remedies.

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Section 6. Representations of the Entity. The Entity makes the following representations as a basis for the Grant and the undertakings on the part of MDA, herein contained:

- a. The Entity has all necessary power and authority to enter into and perform its duties under this Agreement and, when executed and delivered by the respective parties hereto, this Agreement will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Entity enforceable in accordance with its terms except to the extent that the enforceability of the rights set forth herein may be limited:
 - (1) by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally
 - (2) by the validity of any particular remedy.
- b. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and compliance with the provisions hereof will not conflict with, or constitute a breach of or default under, the Entity's duties under any law, administrative regulation, court decree, resolution, charter, bylaws or other agreement to which the Entity is subject or by which it is bound.
- c. There is no consent, approval, authorization or other order of, filing with, or certification by, any regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the Entity required for the execution, delivery or the consummation by the Entity of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and not already obtained.
- d. There is no action, suit proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court or governmental agency or body pending or, to the best knowledge of the Entity, after reasonable investigation and due inquiry, threatened against the Entity in any way contesting or affecting the validity of this Agreement or contesting the powers of the Entity to adopt, enter into or perform its obligations under this Agreement or materially and adversely affecting the properties or condition (financial or otherwise) or existence or powers of the Entity.
- e. The Entity will not discriminate against any employee or any applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, sex or age.
- f. The Entity shall comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and the Act and specifically with the terms set out in Item 4 of Annex A.
- g. The Entity certifies that all of the material information contained in the Application is true and correct as of the date of the Application and the date of this Agreement. The Entity acknowledges that MDA,

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in making the Grant, is relying upon the truthfulness and correctness of the material information contained in the Application. The Entity further acknowledges that MDA must account for the proper use of funds based on the information in the Application.

- h. The Entity acknowledges that MDA will recover any expended grant funds if the assistance provided was based upon fraudulent information or if the recipient of the assistance fails to meet the performance requirements established by the Entity and MDA and referenced in the Annex A.
- i. The Entity represents and warrants that it will further the purposes of the Act.
- j. Upon request of the MDA or the Office of the State Auditor, the Entity will provide reasonable verification of its compliance with the performance metrics as set out in Annex A. Additionally, the Entity will cooperate fully with MDA and/or the Office of the State Auditor in performing audits from time to time to determine the Entity's compliance with the provision of this Agreement. The Entity further agrees that MDA and/or the Office of the State Auditor shall have the right to inspect books, records, plans and other data related to the Project.
- k. The Entity shall follow General Auditing Standards for financial and other record retention requirements.
- l. The Entity shall comply with the following requirements and responsibilities: enroll in the E-Verify program; display the E-Verify participation posters (English & Spanish) in prominent places that are visible to prospective employees and all employees who are to be verified through the system; comply with the most recent version of the E-Verify Manual; comply with current Form I-9 procedures; initiate E-verify verification procedures for new employees within three (3) business days after each employee has been hired, and record the case verification numbers on the employee's Form I-9 or print the screen containing the verification number and attach it to the employee's Form I-9.
- m. The Entity shall notify the members of the House of Representatives and Mississippi Senate at least five (5) days prior to a public ceremony announcing the award of the grant in their district or any public announcement or ceremony regarding the groundbreaking or opening of a facility, roadway or bridge using grant funds.

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- n. The Entity will include the following language on signage regarding any public event or any new facility, roadway or bridge: "Funds were made available for this project by the Mississippi State Legislature."

Section 8. Termination.

- a. MDA may terminate its obligation to honor any disbursement of the Grant at any time prior to any disbursement of the Grant if any event occurs, which would constitute a default under this Agreement.
- b. It is expressly understood and agreed that the obligation of MDA to proceed under this Agreement is conditioned upon the appropriation of funds by the Mississippi Legislature and the receipt of state funds. If the funds anticipated for the continuing fulfillment of the agreement are, at any time, not forthcoming or insufficient, or if funds are not otherwise available to MDA, then MDA shall have the right upon ten (10) working days written notice to the Entity to terminate this Agreement without damage, penalty, cost or expense to MDA of any kind whatsoever. The effective date of termination shall be specified in the notice of termination.

Section 9. Notice Addresses. All notices given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing signed by the party giving the notice and shall be given by:

- a) certified mail, postage prepaid;
- b) prepaid overnight delivery; or
- c) hand delivery.

For the purposes of this Agreement, notices shall be sent to the parties at the addresses set forth on Item 5 of Annex A hereto or to such other addresses that the parties may designate in writing.

Section 10. Miscellaneous.

- a) No party may assign or delegate its rights or obligations pursuant to this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- b) This Agreement has been made by MDA (acting for and on behalf of the State) and the Entity, and no person other than the foregoing and their successors or assigns shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement.
- c) This Agreement shall become effective upon the execution and the acceptance hereof by the parties hereto and shall be valid and enforceable from and after the time of such execution and acceptance.

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- d) If any section or part of a section of this Agreement shall be declared null and void or unenforceable against any of the parties hereto by any court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other section or part of a section of this Agreement.
- e) In the event any agreement contained in this Agreement shall be breached and such breach shall thereafter be waived, such waiver shall be limited to the particular breach so waived and shall not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.
- f) This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of MDA and the Entity and shall be binding upon MDA and the Entity and their respective successors and assigns.
- g) This Agreement, and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract, tort or statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement), shall be governed by, and enforced in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of Mississippi, including its statutes of limitation and without regard to conflict of law principles.

All disputes regarding this Agreement, and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract, tort or statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement), must be brought or filed in state court in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, which shall be the exclusive forum and jurisdiction for such disputes.

The Parties agree that their choice of laws and exclusive forum set forth above are mandatory and shall not be deemed permissive.
- h) This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same agreement.
- i) It is expressly understood and agreed by and between the Parties that this Agreement sets out the understandings between the Parties and that there are no promises, agreements, conditions, understandings, inducements, warranties or representations, either oral or written.

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express or implied, between them other than as set forth in this Agreement. No amendment, change, modification, or alteration of this Agreement shall be made other than pursuant to a written instrument signed by the parties to this Agreement.

- j) This Agreement has been prepared by the efforts of all the parties. In any construction to be made to this Agreement, it shall not be construed against any party on the basis of authorship.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.


**MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
(ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE STATE
OF MISSISSIPPI)**

By: _____
Laura Hipp, Deputy Executive Director

ATTEST:


Sarah Wright, Bureau Manager

CITY OF LONG BEACH

By: 

Mayor George Bass

ATTEST:



Title: City Clerk

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**Annex A
to
Grant Agreement**

- Item 1-** **Name of Entity:** City of Long Beach
- Item 2A-** **Description of Project:** Gulf Coast Restoration Funds to be used to assist the City of Long Beach with building construction and site work costs and other eligible expenditures as approved by MDA at the approved project site located at the Quarles House in Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi ("Project Site"). The Project Site is located at 181 East Old Pass Road. Internal labor will not be reimbursable.
- Item 2B-** **Soft Cost Expenses:** Engineering, Architectural, Project Management and other soft costs shall not exceed 10% of this MDA grant amount. Any amount above 10% will be allowed to count toward the local match for the project as a whole.
- Item 3-** **Grant Amount:** \$2,000,000
- Item 4-** **Grant Terms and Conditions**
- MDA will approve and make available for reimbursement purposes grant funds in an amount not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) which amount has been previously approved and allocated with respect to the Project from the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund for the reimbursement of a portion of costs and expenses related to the Project. All documentation for disbursement must be received by June 30, 2023. Any grant funds not disbursed before June 30, 2023 will be subject to reappropriation by the Legislature in subsequent years until the project is complete.
- The disbursement of grant funds shall be contingent upon the entity complying with the quarterly reporting requirements. No funds will be disbursed by MDA until the Entity has submitted all delinquent quarterly reports.
- The Entity commits and warrants that an investment of at least a total of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) will be made to incentivize the development of the project.
- Item 5-** **Grant Performance Metrics**
- The Entity commits to meet the following performance metrics as determined by the Entity and MDA: (1) The City will complete the building and site improvements by June 30, 2023; and (2) The Quarles House will hold at least one (1) paid event within two (2) years after the completion of the restoration project but no later than by June 30, 2025 ("Performance Metric Commitments"). In the event that the Entity fails to satisfy the Performance Metric Commitment, then the Entity shall repay the State any expended grant funds.

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Item 6-

Address Notice:

Mississippi Development Authority
Post Office Box 849
Jackson, Mississippi 39205
Attention: Financial Resources

City of Long Beach
Post Office Box 929
Long Beach, Mississippi 39560
Attention: Ms. Kini Gonsoulin, Deputy City Clerk

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HINDS)

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, on this the _____ day of _____, 2023, within my jurisdiction, the within named Laura Hipp who acknowledged she is the Deputy Executive Director, of the Mississippi Development Authority and that for and on behalf of said Department and as its act and deed, she executed the above and foregoing instrument, after first having been duly authorized by said Department so to do.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE, this the _____
day of _____, 2023.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

[SEAL]

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ENTITY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HARRISON)

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, on this the _____ day of _____, 2023, within my jurisdiction, the within named George L. Bass, who acknowledged he/she is the Mayor of City of Long Beach City, and that for and on behalf of said Board of Aldermen, and as its act and deed, they executed the above and foregoing instrument, after first having been duly authorized by said _____ so to do.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE, this the 17th day of January, 2023.

Stacey Dahl
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
12/5/23



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Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman Parker and unanimously carried to approve the following Gulf Coast Restoration Fund (GCRF) Grant Agreement with Mississippi Development Authority for the Development & Revitalization project and authorize the Mayor to execute same:



State of Mississippi

TATE REEVES
Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

VIA EMAIL

January 12, 2023

Honorable George Bass
Mayor
City of Long Beach
Post Office Box 929
Long Beach, Mississippi 39560

RE: City of Long Beach – Development & Revitalization Project – GCRF Grant Agreement

Dear Mayor Bass:

Attached is the grant agreement relative to the Development & Revitalization Project. Please **execute and notarize two (2) copies of the agreement**, returning them to the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) at the address in the instructions included herein for signature. MDA will then return final executed copies to you once all parties have signed the agreement.

The grant funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement or services-rendered basis. Please note that section 2 of the grant agreement stipulates that all documentation for disbursements must be received by **June 30, 2023**.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at (601) 359-2058 or email swright@mississippi.org, respectively.

Sincerely,

Sarah Wright

Sarah Wright
Bureau Manager
Financial Resources Division

Enclosures

POST OFFICE BOX 849 • JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205-0849
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**MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
GULF COAST RESTORATION FUND PROGRAM**

GRANT AGREEMENT

**City of Long Beach
Harrison County, Mississippi
GCRF-20-23**

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This Grant Agreement ("Agreement"), dated as of December 13, 2022, by and between the Mississippi Development Authority (acting for and on behalf of the State of Mississippi ("MDA") and the City of Long Beach as set forth in Item 1 of Annex A (the "Entity")

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund, Section 57-119-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, was created for the purpose of funding programs or projects that are located in the Gulf Coast region as defined in the federal RESTORE Act, or twenty-five (25) miles from the northern boundaries of the three (3) coastal counties of Harrison, Hancock and Jackson, but not limited to expand beyond the boundaries of Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Pearl River, Stone and George Counties; and

WHEREAS, these funds are provided for assistance to local units of government, nongovernmental organizations, institutions of higher learning, community colleges, ports, airports, public-private partnerships, private for-profit entities, private nonprofit entities and local economic development entities; and

WHEREAS, MDA is authorized to administer the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund monies upon appropriation by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 18 of Senate Bill 2977 2020 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, the Legislature appropriated Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist the City of Long Beach with its Development and Revitalization Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21 of Senate Bill 2951 2021 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, the Legislature reappropriated Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist the City of Long Beach with its Development and Revitalization Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 of Senate Bill 3049 2022 Regular Session of the Mississippi Legislature, the Legislature reappropriated Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) to assist the City of Long Beach with its Development and Revitalization Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Act, Section 57-119, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Regulations (the "Regulations") adopted by MDA, the Entity has filed an application (the "Application") with MDA for a grant to be used for the development of the Project, more particularly described in Item 2A of Annex A (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, based upon the Application and other relevant factors, MDA has agreed to provide the Entity with a grant under the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund in the amount set forth in Item 3 of Annex A (the "Grant") under the terms and conditions set forth in Item 4 of Annex A, in order to fund, in part, and develop the Project; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive any funds, the Entity shall comply with the requirements of the Line-Item Appropriation Transparency Act, Section 27-104-351, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended; and

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WHEREAS, the Entity has committed to use the Grant funds for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Project satisfies the provisions of the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund and the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto agree that it is necessary to provide for and demonstrate compliance with the provisions of the Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the parties hereto intend to be legally bound hereby and in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained do hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Grant. MDA hereby agrees to make to the Entity and the Entity hereby agrees to accept from MDA a Grant pursuant and subject to the terms of this Agreement and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund as set forth in Annex A. The Entity hereby agrees that it will apply the proceeds of the Grant only to the costs of the Project as more fully described in the Application. The Grant shall be disbursed by MDA to the Entity in installments as provided in this Agreement pursuant to Item 4 of Annex A. MDA's obligation to make the Grant and to disburse the Grant in installments shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Entity satisfying all of its obligations under this Agreement and the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund.

Section 2. Disbursements. The obligation of MDA to make any disbursement of the Grant shall be subject to the following conditions, as well as any others herein set forth:

- a. the Entity shall not be in default under this Agreement or the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund; and
- b. funds appropriated by the Mississippi Legislature; and
- c. the development of the Project shall have progressed at a rate and in a manner reasonably satisfactory to MDA; and
- d. the receipt by MDA of a certificate of a representative of the Entity in the form set forth in Section 3 hereof and the notice required of the Entity set forth in Section 4 hereof for such disbursement in a form satisfactory to MDA. If the Entity fails at any time to meet the conditions precedent to any disbursement of the Grant as specified in the preceding sentence, the obligation of MDA to make further disbursements in connection with the grant shall cease until such time as such condition precedent is met and satisfied. The parties hereto agree that disbursements by MDA to the Entity of the Grant shall be made by June 30, 2023. Any portion of the grant funds not disbursed before June 30, 2023 will be subject to reappropriation by the Legislature in subsequent years until the project is complete.

Section 3. Conditions. A condition precedent to all disbursements of the Grant shall be the delivery of a certificate of a representative of the Entity to the effect that:

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- a. to the best of its knowledge, the representations and warranties of the Entity contained in this Agreement are true and correct as of the date of the disbursements with the same effect as if made on the date of such disbursements; and
- b. this Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Entity and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Entity enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and except to the extent that the enforceability of the rights set forth herein may be limited by the availability of any particular remedies; and
- c. this Agreement has not been amended or supplemented or modified since the date of its execution and remains in full force and effect as of the date of the disbursement; and
- d. the authorization, execution and delivery of this Agreement by the Entity, and compliance by the Entity with the provisions hereof, will not conflict with or constitute a breach or default of the Entity's duties hereunder or under any law, administrative regulation, court decree, resolution, charter, bylaw or other agreement to which the Entity is subject or by which it is bound; and
- e. there is no action, suit, proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court or governmental agency or body pending or, to the best of its knowledge, after reasonable investigation and due inquiry, threatened against the Entity in any way contesting or affecting the validity of this Agreement or contesting the powers of the Entity to enter into or perform its obligations under this Agreement.

Section 4. Requisitions. A condition precedent to all disbursements of the Grant shall be the presentation to the State Treasurer of a warrant issued by the Department of Finance and Administration of the State or its successor to such duties, which warrant shall be issued under proper requisition signed by the Executive Director of MDA, all pursuant to Section 57-119-1(1). Warrants may only be issued for costs and expenses that are authorized by the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund and the Regulations. No requisition shall be executed by the Executive Director of MDA until the following shall have been satisfied:

- a. The Entity shall have provided MDA with reasonable written notice of the amount of the Grant disbursement requested by the Entity. Such notice shall contain all information necessary to enable MDA to prepare the requisition for a warrant described in this Section 4 including, without limitation, the name and title of the requesting representative of the Entity, the name of the party to be reimbursed

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and a description of the work product or service. In addition, such notice shall certify that the amount requested is the just amount due at the current time, is for a work product or service which has heretofore been delivered or performed and that all statutory requirements in connection with the acquisition of such work product or service have been complied with by the Entity; and

- b. The Entity must provide quarterly reports on the approved reporting form provided by MDA, due January 15, April 15, July 15 and October 15 on the status of the project. The report must include a written description and an itemized report detailing the expenditure of funds or the intended expenditure of any funds that have not been spent; and
- c. The Entity must provide proof of all non-grant funds expended on the project to ensure that GCRF funds are proportionately spent in relation to the total project cost share outlined in the Application; and
- d. MDA shall have indicated in writing its approval of the request for the Grant disbursement; and
- e. Disbursement of any funds shall be contingent upon the Entity complying with the quarterly reporting requirements; and
- f. A final written itemized report on the approved form provided by MDA must be timely submitted when all state funds have been spent.

Section 5. Representations of MDA. MDA makes the following representations as the basis for the undertakings on the part of the Local Sponsor herein contained:

- a. MDA is an agency of the State and is authorized pursuant to the provisions of the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund and the Regulations to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.
- b. MDA has full power and authority to enter into the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and to carry out its obligations hereunder.
- c. MDA has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Agreement and by proper action has duly authorized the execution and delivery hereof and as to MDA, this Agreement is valid and legally binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms except to the extent that the enforceability thereof may be limited:
 - (1) by bankruptcy, reorganization, or other similar laws limiting the enforceability of creditors' rights generally; or
 - (2) by the availability of any discretionary equitable remedies.

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Section 6. Representations of the Entity. The Entity makes the following representations as a basis for the Grant and the undertakings on the part of MDA, herein contained:

- a. The Entity has all necessary power and authority to enter into and perform its duties under this Agreement and, when executed and delivered by the respective parties hereto, this Agreement will constitute a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Entity enforceable in accordance with its terms except to the extent that the enforceability of the rights set forth herein may be limited:
 - (1) by bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally
 - (2) by the validity of any particular remedy.
- b. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and compliance with the provisions hereof will not conflict with, or constitute a breach of or default under, the Entity's duties under any law, administrative regulation, court decree, resolution, charter, bylaws or other agreement to which the Entity is subject or by which it is bound.
- c. There is no consent, approval, authorization or other order of, filing with, or certification by, any regulatory authority having jurisdiction over the Entity required for the execution, delivery or the consummation by the Entity of any of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and not already obtained.
- d. There is no action, suit proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court or governmental agency or body pending or, to the best knowledge of the Entity, after reasonable investigation and due inquiry, threatened against the Entity in any way contesting or affecting the validity of this Agreement or contesting the powers of the Entity to adopt, enter into or perform its obligations under this Agreement or materially and adversely affecting the properties or condition (financial or otherwise) or existence or powers of the Entity.
- e. The Entity will not discriminate against any employee or any applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, sex or age.
- f. The Entity shall comply with the terms and provisions of this Agreement and the Act and specifically with the terms set out in Item 4 of Annex A.
- g. The Entity certifies that all of the material information contained in the Application is true and correct as of the date of the Application and the date of this Agreement. The Entity acknowledges that MDA,

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in making the Grant, is relying upon the truthfulness and correctness of the material information contained in the Application. The Entity further acknowledges that MDA must account for the proper use of funds based on the information in the Application.

- h. The Entity acknowledges that MDA will recover any expended grant funds if the assistance provided was based upon fraudulent information or if the recipient of the assistance fails to meet the performance requirements established by the Entity and MDA and referenced in the Annex A.
- i. The Entity represents and warrants that it will further the purposes of the Act.
- j. Upon request of the MDA or the Office of the State Auditor, the Entity will provide reasonable verification of its compliance with the performance metrics as set out in Annex A. Additionally, the Entity will cooperate fully with MDA and/or the Office of the State Auditor in performing audits from time to time to determine the Entity's compliance with the provision of this Agreement. The Entity further agrees that MDA and/or the Office of the State Auditor shall have the right to inspect books, records, plans and other data related to the Project.
- k. The Entity shall follow General Auditing Standards for financial and other record retention requirements.
- l. The Entity shall comply with the following requirements and responsibilities: enroll in the E-Verify program; display the E-Verify participation posters (English & Spanish) in prominent places that are visible to prospective employees and all employees who are to be verified through the system; comply with the most recent version of the E-Verify Manual; comply with current Form I-9 procedures; initiate E-verify verification procedures for new employees within three (3) business days after each employee has been hired, and record the case verification numbers on the employee's Form I-9 or print the screen containing the verification number and attach it to the employee's Form I-9.
- m. The Entity shall notify the members of the House of Representatives and Mississippi Senate at least five (5) days prior to a public ceremony announcing the award of the grant in their district or any public announcement or ceremony regarding the groundbreaking or opening of a facility, roadway or bridge using grant funds.

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- n. The Entity will include the following language on signage regarding any public event or any new facility, roadway or bridge: "Funds were made available for this project by the Mississippi State Legislature."

Section 8. Termination.

- a. MDA may terminate its obligation to honor any disbursement of the Grant at any time prior to any disbursement of the Grant if any event occurs, which would constitute a default under this Agreement.
- b. It is expressly understood and agreed that the obligation of MDA to proceed under this Agreement is conditioned upon the appropriation of funds by the Mississippi Legislature and the receipt of state funds. If the funds anticipated for the continuing fulfillment of the agreement are, at any time, not forthcoming or insufficient, or if funds are not otherwise available to MDA, then MDA shall have the right upon ten (10) working days written notice to the Entity to terminate this Agreement without damage, penalty, cost or expense to MDA of any kind whatsoever. The effective date of termination shall be specified in the notice of termination.

Section 9. Notice Addresses. All notices given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing signed by the party giving the notice and shall be given by:

- a) certified mail, postage prepaid;
- b) prepaid overnight delivery; or
- c) hand delivery.

For the purposes of this Agreement, notices shall be sent to the parties at the addresses set forth on Item 5 of Annex A hereto or to such other addresses that the parties may designate in writing.

Section 10. Miscellaneous.

- a) No party may assign or delegate its rights or obligations pursuant to this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other parties. Such consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- b) This Agreement has been made by MDA (acting for and on behalf of the State) and the Entity, and no person other than the foregoing and their successors or assigns shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement.
- c) This Agreement shall become effective upon the execution and the acceptance hereof by the parties hereto and shall be valid and enforceable from and after the time of such execution and acceptance.

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- d) If any section or part of a section of this Agreement shall be declared null and void or unenforceable against any of the parties hereto by any court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other section or part of a section of this Agreement.
- e) In the event any agreement contained in this Agreement shall be breached and such breach shall thereafter be waived, such waiver shall be limited to the particular breach so waived and shall not be deemed to waive any other breach hereunder.
- f) This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of MDA and the Entity and shall be binding upon MDA and the Entity and their respective successors and assigns.
- g) This Agreement, and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract, tort or statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement), shall be governed by, and enforced in accordance with, the internal laws of the State of Mississippi, including its statutes of limitation and without regard to conflict of law principles.

All disputes regarding this Agreement, and all claims or causes of action (whether in contract, tort or statute) that may be based upon, arise out of or relate to this Agreement, or the negotiation, execution or performance of this Agreement (including any claim or cause of action based upon, arising out of or related to any representation or warranty made in or in connection with this Agreement or as an inducement to enter into this Agreement), must be brought or filed in state court in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, which shall be the exclusive forum and jurisdiction for such disputes.

The Parties agree that their choice of laws and exclusive forum set forth above are mandatory and shall not be deemed permissive.

- h) This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same agreement.
- i) It is expressly understood and agreed by and between the Parties that this Agreement sets out the understandings between the Parties and that there are no promises, agreements, conditions, understandings, inducements, warranties or representations, either oral or written,

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express or implied, between them other than as set forth in this Agreement. No amendment, change, modification, or alteration of this Agreement shall be made other than pursuant to a written instrument signed by the parties to this Agreement.

- j) This Agreement has been prepared by the efforts of all the parties. In any construction to be made to this Agreement, it shall not be construed against any party on the basis of authorship.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first above written.

**MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
(ACTING FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE STATE
OF MISSISSIPPI)**

By: _____
Laura Hipp, Deputy Executive Director


ATTEST:

Sarah Wright, Bureau Manager

CITY OF LONG BEACH

By: 
Mayor George Bass

ATTEST:


Title: City Clerk

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**Annex A
to
Grant Agreement**

- Item 1-** **Name of Entity:** City of Long Beach
- Item 2A-** **Description of Project:** Gulf Coast Restoration Funds to be used to assist the City of Long Beach with road construction, building rehabilitation and building construction costs and other eligible expenditures as approved by MDA at the approved project sites located at Long Beach City Hall and along Jeff Davis Avenue in Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi ("Project Site"). Internal labor will not be reimbursable.
- Item 2B-** **Soft Cost Expenses:** Engineering, Architectural, Project Management and other soft costs shall not exceed 10% of this MDA grant amount. Any amount above 10% will be allowed to count toward the local match for the project as a whole.
- Item 3-** **Grant Amount:** \$2,000,000
- Item 4-** **Grant Terms and Conditions**
- MDA will approve and make available for reimbursement purposes grant funds in an amount not to exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) which amount has been previously approved and allocated with respect to the Project from the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund for the reimbursement of a portion of costs and expenses related to the Project. All documentation for disbursement must be received by June 30, 2023. Any grant funds not disbursed before June 30, 2023 will be subject to reappropriation by the Legislature in subsequent years until the project is complete.
- The disbursement of grant funds shall be contingent upon the entity complying with the quarterly reporting requirements. No funds will be disbursed by MDA until the Entity has submitted all delinquent quarterly reports.
- The Entity commits and warrants that an investment of at least a total of Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000) will be made to incentivize the development of the project.
- Item 5-** **Grant Performance Metrics**
- The Entity commits to meet the following performance metrics as determined by the Entity and MDA: (1) The City will complete the North Jeff Davis Avenue extension and sidewalk projects by June 30, 2023; and (2) The City will complete the Jeff Davis Gateway Improvements by June 30, 2024 ("Performance Metric Commitments"). In the event that the Entity fails to satisfy the Performance Metric Commitment, then the Entity shall repay the State any expended grant funds.

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Attention: Ms. Kini Gonsoulin, Deputy City Clerk

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HINDS)

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, on this the _____ day of _____, 2023, within my jurisdiction, the within named Laura Hipp who acknowledged she is the Deputy Executive Director, of the Mississippi Development Authority and that for and on behalf of said Department and as its act and deed, she executed the above and foregoing instrument, after first having been duly authorized by said Department so to do.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE, this the _____
day of _____, 2023.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ENTITY

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF HARRISON)

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority in and for the said county and state, on this the _____ day of _____, 2023, within my jurisdiction, the within named George L. Bass, who acknowledged he/she is the Mayor of City of Long Beach City, and that for and on behalf of said Board of Aldermen, and as its act and deed, they executed the above and foregoing instrument, after first having been duly authorized by said _____ so to do.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE, this the 17th day of January, 2023.

Stacey Dahl
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:
12/5/23



The Mayor recognized Jason Ball of 149 Markham Drive who spoke regarding water quality on his street. After discussion, Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to authorize the Mayor to work with City Engineer David Ball and Public Works Director Joe Culpepper to investigate remedies to the water quality issues on Markham Drive.

There came on for discussion Traffic Study/Environmental Study, whereupon Mayor Bass requested that the previously cancelled Beatline Road Environmental Study

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performed by Pickering Firm and funded by Gulf Regional Planning Commission, be reactivated. After further discussion, Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to authorize the re-activation of the Beatline Road Environmental Study by Pickering Firm.

Based on the recommendations of Department Heads and certification by the Civil Service Commission, Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to approve personnel matters, as follows:

Police Department:

- New Hire, Police Officer 1st Class Joey Denton, PS-9-B, effective February 1, 2023
- New Hire, Animal Control Officer Quentin Denney, PS-6-B, effective January 16, 2023
- Termination, Police Officer 1st Class Timothy Griffin, effective January 13, 2023
- Step Increase, Dispatch 1st Class Thomas Allen, PS-3-IX, effective March 1, 2023
- Step Increase, Sergeant Jeremy Bammert, PS-11-VII, effective February 16, 2023
- Step Increase, Sergeant David Butler, PS-11-V, effective February 16, 2023
- Step Increase, Police Officer 1st Class Jeremy Castillon, PS-9-I, effective February 1, 2023
- Step Increase, Sergeant Scott Grady, PS-11-V, effective February 16, 2023
- Step Increase, Police Officer 1st Class James Hammer, PS-9-II, effective February 16, 2023
- Step Increase, Dispatch 1st Class Danielle Zeigler, PS-3-I, effective February 1, 2023

Fire Department:

- Step Increase, Firefighter 1st Class Justin Barr, FS-9-III, effective January 1, 2023
- Step Increase, Lieutenant Chase Hendry, FS-12-IV, effective February 1, 2023
- Step Increase, Driver/Operator Brooks Hoda, FS-10-IV, effective January 1, 2023
- Step Increase, Driver/Operator Mikael Ingram, FS-10-IV, effective January 1, 2023

Building Department:

- Education Pay, Building Official Mike Gundlach, Bachelor's Degree, effective February 1, 2023

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Alderman McGoey made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to approve the following cemetery plot purchase from Mrs. Irma Jean Clay:

January 6, 2023

TO: Mayor and Board of Aldermen
FROM: Stacey Dahl, City Clerk

Attached, please find a request from Ms. Irma Jean Clay to sell, back to the city, one (1) cemetery plot. (N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of Lot 286)

I recommend we purchase the plot for the original selling price of \$500.00

If approved, payment will be issued to: Mrs. Irma Jean Clay
535 West Marigold Drive
Long Beach, MS 39560

Aforesaid payment will be placed on the February 7, 2023, Docket.

6 Jan 2023

Attn: Mrs. Stacey
or whom it may concern.

I am asking for a Refund on one of these burial plots
N 1/2 of SE 1/4 of 286 - \$500.00

I am a 30 year Veteran
+ don't need this Xtra Plot.

V.A. Administration has given me 3 Plots for being a long life Veteran

Thank

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Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to approve the following Budget Amendment FY 23 for Public Works:

**City of Long Beach
Budget Amendment Request**

Fund Name	<u>Water/Sewer</u>	Date	<u>1/17/2023</u>
Department #	<u>815</u>	Budget Entry #	<u> </u>
Department Name	<u>Water Operations</u>		

	Original Budget	Prior Amcndments	This Amendment	Revised Budget
Capital Projects 850-640100	30,000	-	(30,000)	-
Capital Outlay 815-630100	90,500	41,148	30,000	161,648

Amendment to transfer funds within the water/sewer budget to purchase a truck bed with crane.

Amendment #3



TO: KINI GONSOULIN
 FROM: JOE CULPEPPER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
 RE: TRANSFER OF FUNDS
 DATE: JANUARY 5, 2023

Kini,

This is to request that the City approve transferring \$30,000 - 850-640100 – W/S Contingency – Cap. Projects to Water Capital Outlay – 815-630100.

We will be using this amount to purchase truck bed with crane for our new service truck.

Please present on the next Board of Aldermen's meeting agenda.

Thank you.

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Budget Amendment Request

Fund Name	General Fund	Date	1/17/2023
Department #	311	Budget Entry #	
Department Name	Streets & Drainage		

	Original Budget	Prior Amendments	This Amendment	Revised Budget
Operating Supplies 311-610700	51,000	-	733	51,733
Scrap Sale			(733)	(733)

Amendment to budget funds recieved from sale of scrap materials.

Amendment #4



TO: KINI GONSOLIN
 FROM: JOE CULPEPPER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
 RE: SCRAP METAL SALES
 DATE: OCTOBER 3, 2022

Kini,

Attached is check # 13031949 from Southern Recycling for scrap metal sales – total amount: \$267.60. Please apply this amount to Street Operating – 311-610700.

Please present on the next Board of Aldermen's meeting agenda.

Thank you.



TO: KINI GONSOLIN
 FROM: JOE CULPEPPER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
 RE: SCRAP METAL SALES
 DATE: DECEMBER 29, 2022

Kini,

Attached are two checks from Southern Recycling for scrap metal sales – total amount: \$465.40. Please apply this amount to Street Operating – 311-610700.

Please present on the next Board of Aldermen's meeting agenda.

Thank you.

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Alderman Johnson made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to accept the December 2022 Revenue/Expense Report, as submitted.

Fire Chief Griff Skellie apprised the Mayor and Board that the new fire truck should be ready by the end of February and drawings of Fire Station #3 were approximately 95% complete and should be ready to advertise for bid by the next meeting.

Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to approve the following Notice of Lost, Stolen, Abandoned or Misplaced Personal Property and Surplus Property in the Police Department:



PUBLIC NOTICE

DATE: 01/17/2023

SUBJECT: Notice of Lost, Stolen, Abandoned or Misplaced Personal Property

The Long Beach Police Department has received or recovered the following listed property and is making an effort to return the property to the rightful owner(s) in accordance with Public law, Mississippi Code of 1972, Sec. 21-39-21.

The following items have been turned-in/recovered and attempts have been made to contact the owners. Should an item on the list belong to you, and if you wish to claim it, please contact Long Beach Police Department Crime Scene/Evidence Division as soon as possible at 228-865-1989. No contact with the Crime Scene/Evidence Division within ninety (90) days from the date of notice will result in disposal of the property. Proof of ownership must be provided to claim certain items.

Case #:	Item
2021-4229	GRAY & BROWN BOOKBAG
2021-4229	GREEN & GRAY POWER SAW
2022-12024	LG CELL PHONE
2022-12386	DODGE KEY FOB
2022-16452	OZONE 500 BICYCLE
2022-17628	WELDING MACHINE
2022-22587	MONGOOSE BICYCLE
2022-27978	LG CELL PHONE
2022-30150	NEXT BICYCLE
2022-30514	BB GUN
2022-31417	CHILDS BOW AND ARROW
2022-36274	CHILDS BICYCLE
2022-36274	BLACK CHILDS BICYCLE
2022-36274	BLUE CHILDS BICYCLE

William A. Seal III
Chief of Police

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William A. Seal
Chief of Police



LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

Date: January 12, 2023
To: Mayor Bass
Board of Aldermen
From: Chief Seal
Re: Surplus Property

The following vehicles are no longer cost effective to maintain. Therefore, I am requesting that these items be declared as surplus property. Also, Long Beach Auto Auction will be holding an auction in May where the vehicles will be auctioned:

2004 Ford Expedition, Silver VIN# 1FMPU15L34LB58893
2011 Dodge Charger VIN# 2B3CL1CT9BH609863

Thank you,

William A. Seal
Chief of Police

PO Box 929, Long Beach, MS 39560

Phone: 228-865-1981

Fax: 228-863-1557

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Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to approve the following Change Order No. 2 with Lagniappe Construction for Mitchell Rd. Drainage Improvements and authorize the Mayor to execute same:

161 Lameuse St., Suite 203
Biloxi, MS 39530
228-967-7137



630 Delmas Ave., Suite B
Pascagoula, MS 39567
228-967-7137

December 3, 2022

City of Long Beach
P.O. Box 929
Long Beach, MS 39560

**RE: Change Order No. 2
Mitchell Rd. Drainage Improvements**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have attached proposed Change Order No. 2 for the referenced project and hereby request your review and approval. The reason for this change order is to pipe 300' of an existing ditch with HDPE near Sta ~12+20 to create a safer shoulder on the east side of the road where the existing road is intruding into the ditch. This change order provides a method to remedy this issue and continue with the road widening phase of this project. Your approval is requested. Please advise if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David Ball, P.E.

DB:1110
Attachment

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Change Order
No. 2

Date of Issuance: 12/29/2022 Effective Date: 1/3/2023




Project:	Owner: <u>City of Long Beach</u>	Owner's Contract No.:
Contract:	<u>Mitchell Road Drainage Improvements</u>	Date of Contract: <u>5/3/2022</u>
Contractor:	<u>Lagnippe Construction Company, LLC.</u>	Engineer's Project No.: <u>1110</u>

The Contract Documents are modified as follows upon execution of this Change Order:

- Description:
1. Adjust Contract time for work outside of the original scope and for delays outside of the Contractor's control.
 2. Add pay items for extending the culvert to ensure a safer shoulder at Sta ~12+20 for the road widening phase of the project.

Attachments: (List documents supporting change):

CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE:		CHANGE IN CONTRACT TIMES:	
Original Contract Price:	<u>\$146,313.88</u>	Original Contract Times: <input type="checkbox"/> Working Days <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Calendar days	<u>60</u>
(Decrease) in Contract Price from previous Change Orders No. <u>n/a</u> to No. <u>n/a</u>	<u>(\$893.82)</u>	Change In Contract Time from previous Change Orders No. <u>n/a</u> to No. <u>n/a</u>	
Contract Price prior to this Change Order:	<u>\$145,420.06</u>	Contract Times prior to this Change Order:	<u>9/8/2022</u>
(Increase) in Contract Price due to this Change Order:	<u>\$17,800.00</u>	(Increase) in Contract Time due to this Change Order:	<u>145</u>
Revised Contract Price Incorporating this Change Order:	<u>\$163,220.06</u>	Contract Times Incorporating this Change Order:	<u>1/31/2023</u>

RECOMMENDED: (ENGINEER)	ACCEPTED: (CONTRACTOR)	ACCEPTED: (OWNER)
By: 	By: 	By: 
Date: <u>1-3-2023</u>	Date: <u>1/2/22</u>	Date: <u>1-19-23</u>

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ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT CONTRACT QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	CURRENT CONTRACT AMOUNT	QUANTITY THIS C.O.	EXTENSION THIS C.O.	REVISED CONTRACT QUANTITY	REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT
BASE BID								
010-A	MOBILIZATION	1 LS	\$ 9,095.00	\$ 9,095.00	0	\$ -	1	\$ 9,095.00
301-A	ADJUST SEWER SERVICES	6 EA	\$ 1,731.57	\$ 10,389.42	0	\$ -	6	\$ 10,389.42
301-B	ADJUST WATER SERVICES	6 EA	\$ 575.13	\$ 3,450.78	0	\$ -	6	\$ 3,450.78
301-C	ADJUST 6" WATER MAIN	1 LS	\$ 3,450.75	\$ 3,450.75	0	\$ -	1	\$ 3,450.75
301-D	RELOCATE FIRE HYDRANT VALVE	1 LS	\$ 3,745.00	\$ 3,745.00	0	\$ -	1	\$ 3,745.00
310-A	15" RCP CULVERT	168 LF	\$ 43.55	\$ 7,316.40	0	\$ -	168	\$ 7,316.40
310-B	18" RCP CULVERT	120 LF	\$ 55.05	\$ 6,606.00	0	\$ -	120	\$ 6,606.00
310-C	24" RCP CULVERT	504 LF	\$ 71.80	\$ 36,187.20	0	\$ -	504	\$ 36,187.20
310-D	30" RCP CULVERT	64 LF	\$ 92.07	\$ 5,892.48	0	\$ -	64	\$ 5,892.48
310-E	15" RCP FLARED END SECTION	1 EA	\$ 716.83	\$ 716.83	0	\$ -	1	\$ 716.83
320-A	CATCH BASIN (PEDESTAL TYPE)	8 EA	\$ 3,284.90	\$ 26,279.20	0	\$ -	8	\$ 26,279.20
500-A	PIPE BEDDING/PIPE FOUNDATION MATERIAL	126 CY	\$ 53.77	\$ 6,775.02	0	\$ -	126	\$ 6,775.02
500-B	SELECT SANDY BACKFILL	236 CY	\$ 21.83	\$ 5,151.88	0	\$ -	236	\$ 5,151.88
510-A	CONCRETE DRIVE RESTORATION	65 SY	\$ 44.94	\$ 2,921.10	0	\$ -	65	\$ 2,921.10
510-B	VEGETATIVE COVER	950 SY	\$ 2.14	\$ 2,033.00	0	\$ -	950	\$ 2,033.00
510-C	MISCELLANEOUS RESTORATION	1 LS	\$ 3,210.00	\$ 3,210.00	0	\$ -	1	\$ 3,210.00
520-A	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	1 LS	\$ 8,025.00	\$ 8,025.00	0	\$ -	1	\$ 8,025.00
530-A	STORMWATER MANAGEMENT	1 LS	\$ 2,675.00	\$ 2,675.00	0	\$ -	1	\$ 2,675.00
CO1-1	INSTALLATION OF CONCRETE COLLAR	1 LS	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00	0	\$ -	1	\$ 1,500.00
CO2-1	15" HDPE PIPE	0 LF	\$ 30.00	\$ -	300	\$ 9,000.00	300	\$ 9,000.00
CO2-2	CATCH BASIN	0 EA	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	2	\$ 6,000.00	2	\$ 6,000.00
CO2-3	REPAIR EXISTING CATCH BASIN TOP	0 EA	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	1	\$ 1,500.00	1	\$ 1,500.00
CO2-4	SELECT SANDY BACKFILL	0 CY	\$ 13.00	\$ -	100	\$ 1,300.00	100	\$ 1,300.00
TOTAL BASE BID:				\$ 345,483.06		\$ 37,800.00		\$ 383,283.06

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ATTACHMENT TO CHANGE ORDER NUMBER

PROJECT NO. 1110

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Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to approve the following Change Order No. 4 with KBM Solutions, LLC and authorize the Mayor to execute same:

161 Lameuse St., Suite 203
Biloxi, MS 39530
228-967-7137



630 Delmas Ave., Suite B
Pascagoula, MS 39567
228-967-7137

January 13, 2023

City of Long Beach
P.O. Box 929
Long Beach, MS 39560

**RE: Change Order No. 4 (Final)
Long Beach City Hall HVAC System Repairs**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have prepared the attached proposed Change Order 4 for your consideration which makes a few modifications to the Contract conditions, namely:

1. Removes the pay item for the 2-year Quarterly Maintenance program, which will need a separate agreement between the City and the Contractor. As it is now, it would be impossible to close this project out and make final payment until the 2-year maintenance program was completed. This modification allows us to close the City Hall HVAC System Repairs project now and allows the Contractor to bill separately for the program on a quarterly basis. We don't yet have the separate agreement from the Contractor, but we anticipate they will submit that soon.
2. Adjust contract time due to delays, additional scope of work items, and other issues.

We hereby recommend approval of this change order so that the repairs to the City Hall HVAC system can be completed.

Sincerely,

David Ball, P.E.

DB:1145
Attachment

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Change Order
No. 4 Summary

Date of Issuance: 12/21/2022 Effective Date: _____

Project:	Owner: <u>City of Long Beach</u>	Owner's Contract No.:
Contract:	<u>Long Beach City Hall - HVAC System Repairs (REBID)</u>	Date of Contract: <u>2/10/2022</u>
Contractor:	<u>KBM Solutions, LLC</u>	Engineer's Project No.: <u>1145</u>

The Contract Documents are modified as follows upon execution of this Change Order:

Description:

1. Adjust quantities to conform to final field conditions.
2. Remove Item CO1-3 two-year quarterly maintenance program from contract. This will be covered under separate agreement.
3. Increase in contract time due to material delays.

Attachments: (List documents supporting change):

- 1.

CHANGE IN CONTRACT PRICE:

Original Contract Price:
\$59,490.00

(Increase) in Contract Price from previous Change Orders No. 1 to No. 3
\$71,983.26

Contract Price prior to this Change Order:
\$131,473.26

(Decrease) in Contract Price due to this Change Order:
(\$13,395.20)

Revised Contract Price incorporating this Change Order:
\$118,078.06

CHANGE IN CONTRACT TIMES:

Original Contract Times: Working Days Calendar days
Substantial completion (days or date): 90
Ready for final payment (days or date): _____

Change In Contract Time from previous Change Orders No. 1 to No. 3
Substantial completion (days or date): 120
Ready for final payment (days or date): _____

Contract Times prior to this Change Order:
Substantial completion (days or date): 9/26/2022
Ready for final payment (days or date): _____

(Increase) in Contract Time due to this Change Order:
Substantial completion (days or date): 85
Ready for final payment (days or date): _____

Contract Times incorporating this Change Order:
Substantial completion (days or date): 12/20/2022
Ready for final payment (days or date): _____

RECOMMENDED:
(ENGINEER)

By: _____

Date: 1/3/2023

ACCEPTED:
(CONTRACTOR)

By: Corey Blaud

Date: 1-3-22

ACCEPTED:
(OWNER)

By: George Span

Date: 1-19-23

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4 Summary PROJECT NO. 1145

ATTACHMENT TO CHANGE ORDER NUMBER

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	CURRENT CONTRACT QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	CURRENT CONTRACT AMOUNT	QUANTITY THIS C.O.	EXTENSION THIS C.O.	REVISED CONTRACT QUANTITY	REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT
BASE BID								
1	CITY HALL HVAC SYSTEM REPAIRS	1 LS	\$ 59,490.00	\$59,490.00			1	\$59,490.00
C01-1	REPAIR EXISTING ERV ("ENERGY RECOVERY VENTILATOR") FOR IMPROVEMENT TO THE HVAC DE-HUMIDIFYING PERFORMANCE; INCLUDES TEST & BALANCE FOR OUTSIDE AIR SYSTEM	1 LS	\$ 18,876.00	\$18,876.00			1	\$18,876.00
C01-2	INSTALL NEW HVAC SYSTEM (INCLUDING EXTERNAL CONDENSER UNIT) FOR IT ROOM ON 1ST FLOOR. INSTALL CORRECT CONTROLS AND ADDRESS SYSTEM WITH CENTRALIZED CONTROLLER FOR ENTIRE SYSTEM. REPLACE EXISTING FAILED SENSORS AND THERMISTORS. REPAIR EXISTING REFRIGERANT LEAKS, AND ADD REFRIGERANT NEEDED FOR LOSSES DUE TO EXISTING LEAKS.	1 LS	\$ 30,495.00	\$30,495.00			1	\$30,495.00
C01-3	2-YEAR QUARTERLY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM TO MAINTAIN THE ENTIRE CITY HALL HVAC SYSTEM TO EXTEND PERFORMANCE AND LIFESPAN OF EQUIPMENT.	1 LS	\$ 13,395.20	\$13,395.20	(1)	(\$13,395.20)	0	\$0.00
C02-1	REPLACE BLOWER MOTOR IN 2ND FLOOR OFFICE (OFFICE 204)	1 LS	\$ 1,060.87	\$1,060.87			1	\$1,060.87
C02-2	REPLACE "VRF PCPY" SYSTEM IN CITY HALL DOCUMENT VAULT	1 LS	\$ 4,246.19	\$4,246.19			1	\$4,246.19
C03-1	REPLACE COMPRESSOR FOR 2ND FLOOR "MITSUBISHI" CONDENSING UNIT	1 LS	\$ 3,910.00	\$3,910.00			1	\$3,910.00
TOTAL BASE BID:				\$131,471.26		(\$13,395.20)		\$118,076.06
TOTAL CONTRACT VALUE:				\$131,471.26		(\$13,395.20)		\$118,076.06

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Based on the recommendation of City Engineer David Ball, Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to approve the following request to delay asphalt installation in Bear Point Subdivision:

161 Lameuse St., Suite 203
 Biloxi, MS 39530
 228-967-7137



630 Delmas Ave., Suite B
 Pascagoula, MS 39567
 228-967-7137

January 13, 2023

City of Long Beach
 P.O. Box 929
 Long Beach, MS 39560

RE: Bear Point Subdivision – Delayed Asphalt Install

Ladies and Gentlemen:

For some time, we (Public Works & Engineering) have considered requesting that subdivision developers perform asphalt installation in two separate phases: an initial wearing course to be driven on during the buildout of the subdivision, and a final asphalt surface course once the subdivision homes are nearly built out. This two-phase approach would allow significant heavy traffic and time to reveal any areas of failing asphalt & base, which could then be repaired and overlaid as part of the final surface course. However, our subdivision ordinance & standards do not provide for such a method. The developer of Bear Point has requested authorization to use a two-phase approach and has submitted the attached request along with an initial set of details delineating how and when the two asphalt layers would be installed.

We believe this approach is used by Harrison County & by the City of Biloxi for their subdivision developments and we believe it would be a good idea. We therefore recommend this approach and request that the City direct us to work out the final details of how the process would work in Long Beach, and to use the method for subdivisions going forward, effective immediately. Our recommended methodology would be:

1. Two (2) 1-1/2" asphalt layers. The first layer should be installed prior to final plat acceptance, which would include a completion bond for the second/final course.
2. The second asphalt layer shall be installed after 80% of the homes are constructed, or within 18 months of final plat acceptance, at which point the completion bond would be released back to the developer.
3. The second/final asphalt layer would be subject to a 2-year warranty from the date of final paving.

Please advise if we can proceed in this manner for the current subdivision request and for future subdivisions. We definitely believe this will create a superior pavement product for the City's acceptance and future maintenance. The final details of the arrangement can be included in the anticipated modifications to the City's subdivision ordinance which are already being considered.

Sincerely,

David Ball, P.E.

DB:539

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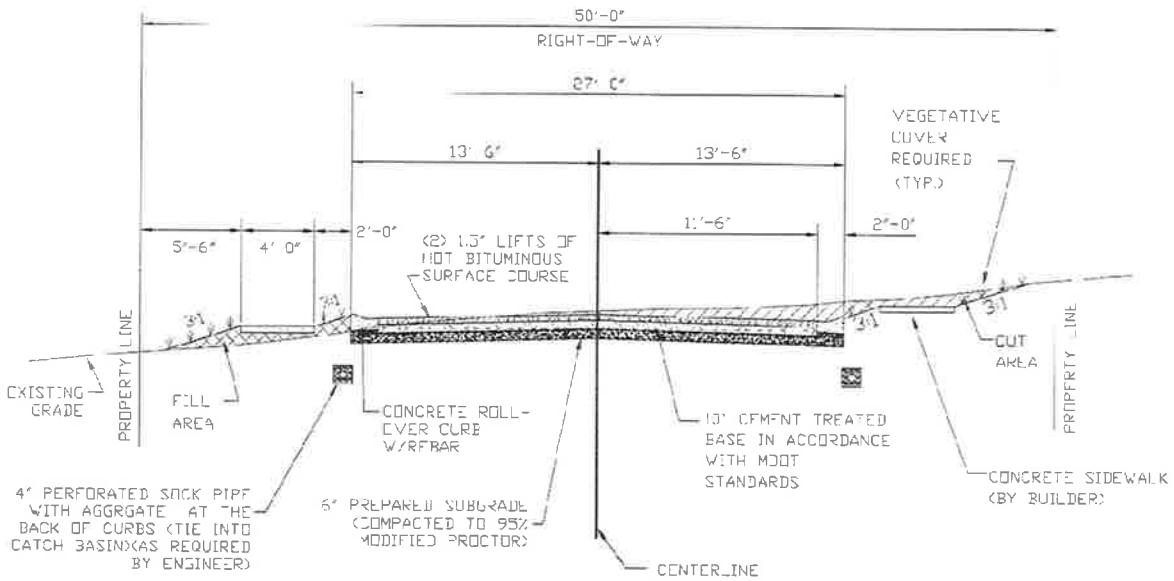
From: Daniel Boudreaux
To: David Ball
Cc: Joe Culosoper; Charlie Gant
Subject: Bear Point Subdivision, Phase 1 Asphalt Request
Date: Wednesday, January 4, 2023 1:35:13 PM
Attachments: Proposed Road Cross Section.pdf

David,

A revised road cross section is attached for your consideration. We request to install two lifts of asphalt. The first 1-1/2" lift will be installed prior to final platting. The second lift will be installed one year after platting or when 80% of the homes are constructed. (whichever is earlier) A completion bond will be provided to protect the City. This was implemented in Harrison County several years ago. As you know, testing cannot eliminate all road failures, but allowing traffic to "test" the road over time will greatly reduce future failures. During construction of homes, heavy vehicles with concrete, bricks, lumber, etc. will find weak areas that can be repaired prior to the final surface course. It was found to be beneficial to both the County and Developer with better performing and better looking roads.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
 Danny Boudreaux
 228-297-1647



NOTES :

- 1.) PROOF ROLL REQUIRED PRIOR TO MIXING CEMENT TREATED BASE AND ASPHALT COURSE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH.
- 2.) CEMENT TREATED BASE COURSE SHALL HAVE THE APPROPRIATE CEMENT RATIO IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MS TEST METHOD M 25. COMPACT TO 95% OF THE MAXIMUM UNIT WEIGHT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM D558 PER MDOT STANDARDS.
- 3.) A 1-1/2" LIFT OF ASPHALT SHALL BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO FINAL PLATTING.
- 4.) IMPLEMENT METHOD TO PROMOTE DRAINAGE INTO CURB INLETS TO PROMOTE DRAINAGE.
- 5.) FINAL 1-1/2" ASPHALT SURFACE COURSE SHALL BE INSTALLED ONE YEAR AFTER FINAL PLATTING OR AFTER 80% OF THE HOMES ARE CONSTRUCTED. (WHICHEVER IS SOONER)
- 6.) CITY OF LONG SHALL BE CONSULTED PRIOR TO FINAL LIFT OF ASPHALT.

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Based on the following recommendation of City Engineer David Ball, Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to authorize application for Round Two funds of the Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant:

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228-967-7137



630 Delmas Ave., Suite B
Pascagoula, MS 39567
228-967-7137

January 13, 2023

City of Long Beach
P.O. Box 929
Long Beach, MS 39560

RE: 2022 ARPA/MCWI Applications – Round Two


Ladies and Gentlemen:

As you are probably aware, the City was awarded all or portions of three of the ARPA/MCWI applications submitted in late September 2022. Round Two of the application process is open and we are preparing information for that process. Therefore, we are seeking your authorization to submit applications in the amount of \$5,510,678.94, which is the full amount the City is allowed to request based on our ARPA grant amounts, and the already awarded Round 1 ARPA/MCWI grant amounts.

Therefore, we have attached three sheets showing the list of needed projects identified in the drainage, water, and sewer infrastructure categories. These sheets show projects we are recommending for the Round 2 application process in orange highlighting, with projects/applications awarded in Round 1 in light blue, while other projects which have been previously identified as needs are shown un-highlighted.

Our Round 1 awards and the application scoring that we received indicate that we can maximize our scoring potential by submitting projects that have either already been completed, are currently under construction, or which are nearly ready to go to construction. A reimbursement of funds already expended could obviously be utilized to fund a future project, so this method of seeking "reimbursement" for projects already constructed seems to accomplish a similar thing to simply applying for a future project. This is what led us to assemble the recommended projects for application as shown. For instance, the SRF loan amount secured for the "Long Beach Wastewater System Upgrade Ph. 1 & Ph. 2" projects (perhaps more recognizably known locally as "the Price Brothers projects") could be much reduced by gaining reimbursement through ARPA/MCWI for funds already expended as part of those ongoing projects. Further, those "Price Brothers projects" can be submitted as a multi-agency (Long Beach and the Harr. County Utility Authority) project which we believe is treated favorably in the scoring process.

The total of all projects shown in orange highlighting matches the maximum allowable application amount of \$5,510,678.94. If these projects are acceptable, we will proceed to prepare the applications and submit them prior to the submission deadline in late January.

Sincerely,

David Ball, P.E.

DB:1249
Attachment

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2022 Funding Cycle - Possible Drainage System Projects			
Priority	Projects	Project Justification	Application Amount
1	St. Charles Avenue Drainage Improvements	A	\$ 38,902.60
1	Parkwood - Drainage Improvements *	A	\$ 400,000.00
1	Park Row - Drainage Improvements *	A	\$ 800,000.00
1	Briarwood - Drainage Infrastructure Repairs *	A	\$ 250,000.00
1	Magnolia/Trautman Bayou Drainage Infrastructure Repairs *	C	\$ 250,000.00
2	Pino - Drainage Infrastructure Repairs	A	\$ 900,000.00
2	Mockingbird - Drainage Infrastructure Repairs	B	\$ 375,000.00
2	N. Ida Area Drainage Improvements (Ph. 1 - Downstream Improv.)	B	\$ 150,000.00
2	N. Ida Area Drainage Improvements (Ph. 2 - Upstream Improv.)	B	\$ 55,000.00
2	S. Girard Ave. Drainage Improvements	B	\$ 100,000.00
2	Pincrest/Woodcrest Drainage Improvements	B	\$ 460,000.00
2	Mockingbird - Groundwater Repairs	D	\$ 150,000.00
2	Cox - Drainage Improvements	A	\$ 250,000.00
3	Lovers Lane/Mitchell - Drainage Improvements	B	\$ 50,000.00
3	N. Mitchell Bank Stabilization	B	\$ 125,000.00
3	Bear Bayou Bank Stabilization	C	\$ 700,000.00

* Project awarded under MCWI/ARPA Round 1, but award did not match application amount

- Project Justification**
- A Flooding Hazard
 - B Maintenance/Failing Infrastructure
 - C Property Threat
 - D Public Danger

2022 Funding Cycle - Possible Sewer System Projects			
Priority	Projects	Project Justification	Application Amount
1	Long Beach Wastewater System Upgrade Phase 1	B/C	\$ 1,975,902.27
1	Long Beach Wastewater System Upgrade Phase 2	B/C	\$ 2,756,479.21
1	2021 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation	B/C	\$ 341,004.00
1	2022 Sewer Investigation & Rehabilitation	B/C	\$ 505,000.00
1	Citywide Pump Station Upgrades	A/B	\$ 1,400,000.00
1	Reroute Clower/ Kuykendall PS Upgrades	A	\$ 155,000.00
1	S. Nicholson Pump Station Upgrades/Repairs	B	\$ 80,000.00
2	Penny Ln. Gravity Sewer System	C	\$ 315,000.00
2	Penny Ln. - Pump Station	C	\$ 200,000.00
2	N. Nicholson - Pump Station	A	\$ 200,000.00
2	N. Nicholson - Gravity Sewer System	A	\$ 450,000.00
3	SCADA Systems on Major Pump Stations	C	\$ 300,000.00
3	Upgrades to Sewer Service System in Previous CIPP Areas	B	\$ 2,250,000.00

- Project Justification**
- A Sewer Overflows
 - B Maintenance/Failing Infrastructure
 - C System Improvements

2022 Funding Cycle - Possible Water System Projects			
Priority	Projects	Project Justification	Application Amount
1	Lynwood Subdivision Water System Improvements	A/B/C	\$ 739,394.86
1	Edmund Dr./Cir. - Water Main Upgrades	A/B/C	\$ 600,000.00
1	Pimlico - Water Main Upgrades	A/B/C	\$ 225,000.00
1	Via Don Ray - Water Service Improvements	A	\$ 150,000.00
1	Charleswood Water/Fire System Improvements	A/B/C	\$ 300,000.00
1	Commission Transite Water System Replacement	A	\$ 520,000.00
1	W. Railroad Transite Water System Replacement	A/C	\$ 1,340,000.00
2	N. Daugherty Park - Water Main Improvements	A	\$ 2,400,000.00
2	Alexander Transite Water System Replacement	A/C	\$ 590,000.00
2	McGuire Dr. Water Main Improvements	B/C	\$ 175,000.00
3	Marcie Dr. Well - Water Treatment System	C	\$ 1,100,000.00
3	N. Seal Water Service Improvements	A/C	\$ 100,000.00
3	28th St. - New Well & Tank	B/C	\$ 4,000,000.00
3	Penny Ln Water Improvements	B/C	\$ 230,000.00

- Project Justification**
- A Maintenance/Failing Infrastructure
 - B Fire Protection
 - C Water Quality

There came on for discussion Tree Removal – 159 Markham Drive, whereupon; based upon the advice from City Attorney Steve Simpson, no action was taken.

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There came on for discussion Dynsmore Subdivision Fence, whereupon Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman McCaffrey and unanimously carried to table this issue to allow Building Official Mike Gundlach and City Attorney Steve Simpson to research ownership and responsibility of said fence.

There came on for discussion Update 100 LaRosa Road – Sheila Ladner, whereupon Alderman Brown made motion seconded by Alderman McGoey and unanimously carried to begin proceedings for adjudication.

There came on for discussion Update 307 W Old Pass Road – Roy & Gwendolyn Tootle, whereupon Building Official Mike Gundlach apprised the Board that no cleanup had been witnessed at this location in the previous two weeks. After further discussion, Alderman McGoey made motion seconded by Alderman Johnson and unanimously carried to begin proceedings for adjudication.

At the request of City Attorney Steve Simpson, Alderman Parker made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to declare an Executive Session for the transaction of public business, to wit: To discuss potential litigation.

The question having received the affirmative voice vote of all of the Aldermen present and voting, the Mayor declared the motion carried, whereupon the Board entered into Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at this time, Alderman McCaffrey made motion seconded by Alderman Brown and unanimously carried to recess until Tuesday, February 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

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APPROVED:

Alderman Donald Frazer, At-Large

Alderman Patrick Bennett, Ward 1

Alderman Bernie Parker, Ward 2

Alderman Angie Johnson, Ward 3

Alderman Timothy McCaffrey, Jr., Ward 4

Alderman Mike Brown, Ward 5

Alderman Pete L. McGoey, Ward 6

Date

ATTEST:

Kini Gonsoulin, Deputy City Clerk