

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR HORIZONTAL DIRECTIONAL DRILLING AND INSTALLATION OF 12" SEWER FORCE MAIN – SE $20^{\text{TH}}/22^{\text{ND}}$ AVENUE TO EAST FORT KING STREET

THIS CONSTRUCTION SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR HORIZONTAL DIRECTIONAL DRILLING AND INSTALLATION OF 12" SEWER FORCE MAIN – 20TH/22ND AVENUE TO EAST FORT KING STREET (Agreement") is entered into by and between the **CITY OF OCALA**, a Florida municipal corporation ("City"), and **GENERAL UNDERGROUND**, **LLC**, a limited liability company duly organized and authorized to do business in the state of Florida (EIN: 20-5668413) ("Contractor").

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2025, City issued an Invitation to Bid ("ITB") for the provision of construction services related to the horizontal directional drilling and installation of a new 12-inch sewer force main on SE 20th/22nd Avenue to East Fort King Street, ITB No.: CIP/250753 (the "Solicitation"); and

WHEREAS, a total of six (6) firms responded to the Solicitation and, after consideration of price and other evaluation factors set forth in the Solicitation, the bid submitted by General Underground, LLC was found to be the lowest; and

WHEREAS, Contractor was chosen as the intended awardee to provide construction services related to the installation of a new 12-inch sewer force main on SE 20th/22nd Avenue to East Fort King Street(the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, Contractor certifies that Contractor and its subcontractors are qualified and possess the required licensure and skill to perform the work required for the Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals, the following mutual covenants and conditions, and other good and valuable consideration, City and Contractor agree as follows:

TERMS OF AGREEMENT:

- 1. **RECITALS**. City and Contractor hereby represent, warrant, and agree that the Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. **CONTRACT DOCUMENTS**. The Contract Documents which comprise the entire understanding between City and Contractor shall only include: (a) this Agreement; (b) those documents listed in this section as Exhibits to this Agreement; (c) the City's Solicitation for the Project and the quote submitted by Contractor in response to same (the "Solicitation Documents"); and (d) those documents identified in the Project Specifications section of this Agreement. Each of these documents are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

If there is a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Contract Documents, then the terms of this Agreement shall control, amend, and supersede any conflicting terms contained in the remaining Contract Documents.

A. **Exhibits to Agreement**: The Exhibits to this Agreement are as follows:

Exhibit A: Scope of Work (A-1 through A-8)

Exhibit B: Plan Set (B-1)

Exhibit C: Price Proposal (C-1)

If there is a conflict between the individual Exhibits regarding the scope of work to be performed, then any identified inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: (1) Exhibit A, then (2) Exhibit B then (3) Exhibit C.



- B. **Project Specifications**: In addition to the Contract Documents and up-to-date copies of shop drawings, this project will require the Contractor to have the following specifications and documents, which are incorporated by reference:
 - City of Ocala "Standard Specifications for Construction of Streets, Stormwater,
 Traffic, Water and Sewer Infrastructure" available at:

http://www.ocalafl.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/26969

Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction (latest edition) available at:

http://www.fdot.gov/programmanagement/Implemented/SpecBooks/.

Florida Department of Transportation Standard Plans for Road and Bridge Construction (latest edition):

https://www.fdot.gov/design/standardplans/sprbc.shtm

Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), latest edition which can be obtained by downloading from:

https://www.fdot.gov/traffic/trafficservices/mutcd.shtm

Florida Department of Transportation Florida Greenbook (latest edition), can be obtained by downloading from:

https://www.fdot.gov/roadway/floridagreenbook/fgb.shtm

If there is a conflict between the individual Project Specifications regarding the scope of work to be performed, then any identified inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedents to the most restrictive specification.

- 3. SCOPE OF SERVICES. Contractor shall provide all materials, labor, supervision, tools, accessories, equipment, permits, fees, testing, inspections, certifications, and all other things necessary for Contractor to perform its obligations under this Agreement as set forth in the attached Exhibit A Scope of Work and the Solicitation Documents. Prime contractor must perform a minimum of SIXTY PERCENT (60%) of the work with its own forces. The Scope of Work under this Agreement may only be adjusted by written amendment executed by both parties.
- 4. COMPENSATION. City shall pay Contractor a maximum limiting amount of <u>NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND</u>, <u>SEVEN HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$963,700)</u> (the "Contract Sum") as full and complete compensation for the timely and satisfactory completion of the work in compliance with the unit pricing schedule in **Exhibit C Price Proposal** and other requirements set forth in the Contract Documents. The pricing under this Agreement may only be adjusted by written amendment executed by both parties.
 - A. **Monthly Progress Payments**: The compensation amount under this section shall be paid by City, monthly, based upon a percentage of completion of the work as invoiced by Contractor and approved by City. The compensation sought under this Agreement is subject to the express terms of this Agreement and any applicable federal and/or state laws.
 - B. **Project Schedule and Progress Reports**. A progress report and updated project schedule must be submitted with each monthly pay request indicating the percent of services



- completed to date. This report will serve as support for payment to Contractor and the basis for payment in the event project is suspended or abandoned.
- C. Invoice Submission. Contractor shall be given a coversheet for their invoice. This coversheet shall be filled out correctly and submitted with each invoice. All invoices submitted by Contractor shall include the City Contract Number, an assigned Invoice Number, and an Invoice Date. Payments shall be made monthly based on percentage of completion that is agreed upon by the Contract and City Project Manager prior to submission of pay application. Incorrect pay applications will be returned to the Contractor for correction. Contractor shall submit the original invoice through the responsible City Project Manager at: City of Ocala Engineering & Water Resources Department, Attn: Eric Giannino, 1805 NE 30th Avenue, Building 700, Ocala Florida 34470 E-Mail: egiannino@ocalafl.gov
- D. **Payment of Invoices by City**. The City Project Manager must review and approve all invoices prior to payment. City Project Manager's approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed. Payments by City shall be made no later than the time periods established in section 218.735, Florida Statutes.
- E. **Retainage.** City shall withhold an amount equal to **FIVE PERCENT (5%)** of each monthly progress payment as retainage to secure Contractor's full and faithful performance of its obligations under this Agreement (the "Retainage"). Contractor shall not be entitled to any interest received by City on Retainage. The Retainage shall be payable to Contractor, subject to the provisions of this subsection, upon satisfaction of the following conditions precedent: (1) confirmation from the City Project Manager that Contractor has satisfactorily completed all work in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement; and (2) receipt of the Consent of Surety of the recorded bond for final payment.
- F. Withholding of Payment. City reserves the right to withhold, in whole or in part, payment for any and all work that: (i) has not been completed by Contractor; (ii) is inadequate or defective and has not been remedied or resolved in a manner satisfactory to the City Project Manager; or (iii) which fails to comply with any term, condition, or other requirement under this Agreement. Any payment withheld shall be released and remitted to Contractor within THIRTY (30) calendar days of the Contractor's remedy or resolution of the inadequacy or defect.
- G. **Excess Funds**. If due to mistake or any other reason Contractor receives payment under this Agreement in excess of what is provided for by the Agreement, Contractor shall promptly notify City upon discovery of the receipt of the overpayment. Any overpayment shall be refunded to City within **THIRTY (30)** days of Contractor's receipt of the overpayment or must also include interest calculated from the date of the overpayment at the interest rate for judgments at the highest rate as allowed by law.
- H. **Amounts Due to the City**. Contractor must be current and remain current in all obligations due to the City during the performance of services under this Agreement. Payments to Contractor may be offset by any delinquent amounts due to the City or fees and/or charges owed to the City.
- I. Tax Exemption. City is exempt from all federal excise and state sales taxes (State of Florida Consumer's Certification of Exemption 85-8012621655C-9). The City's Employer Identification Number is 59-60000392. Contractor shall not be exempted from paying sales tax to its



suppliers for materials to fulfill contractual obligations with the City, nor will Contractor be authorized to use City's Tax Exemption Number for securing materials listed herein.

- 5. **TIME FOR PERFORMANCE**. Time is of the essence with respect to the performance of all duties, obligations, and responsibilities set forth in this Agreement and the Contract Documents.
 - A. Contractor shall mobilize and commence work no later than **SEVEN (7)** working days from the date of issuance of a Notice to Proceed for the project by City. At no time will the Contractor be allowed to lag behind.
 - B. All work shall be substantially completed by Contractor in a manner satisfactory to the City Project Manager within <u>ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (120)</u> days of the start date indicated on the Notice to Proceed and ready for final payment within <u>TEN (10)</u> days of substantial completion.
 - C. The Time for Performance under this Agreement may only be adjusted by Change Order, in the sole and absolute discretion of City. Any request for an extension of the Time for Performance must be submitted in a writing delivered to the City Project Manager, along with all supporting data, within **SEVEN (7)** calendar days of the occurrence of the event, giving rise to the need for adjustment unless the City allows an additional period of time to ascertain more accurate data. All requests for adjustments in the Contract Time shall be determined by City.
 - D. **Weather Days:** Contractor shall submit a written request to the City Project (e-mail is the preferred method) for additional days for which work is suspended or delayed by weather. Weather days shall be reconciled with each monthly pay application for the time period which the application is submitted and shall be final. Contractor performance and execution of work shall be considered in the determination for granting additional days.
 - E. As to any delay, inefficiency, or interference in this performance of this Agreement caused by any act or failure to act by City, the Contractor's sole remedy shall be the entitlement of an extension of time to complete the performance of the affected work in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor agrees to make no claim for extra or additional costs attributable to said delays, inefficiencies or interference, except as provided in this Agreement.
 - F. None of the provisions of this section shall exclude City's right of recovery for damages caused by delays or inefficiencies caused by any act or failure to act by Contractor, to include costs incurred by City for the procurement of additional professional services.
- 6. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR LATE COMPLETION. The parties agree that it would be extremely difficult and impracticable under the presently known facts and anticipated circumstances to ascertain and fix the actual damages that City and its residents would incur should Contractor fail to achieve Substantial Completion and/or Final Completion and readiness for final payment by the dates specified for each under the terms of this Agreement. Accordingly, the parties agree that should Contractor fail to achieve Substantial Completion by the date specified, then Contractor shall pay City, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, the sum of <u>TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$2,667)</u> per day for each calendar day of unexcused delay in achieving Substantial Completion beyond the date specified for Substantial Completion in the Contract Documents. After Substantial Completion, if Contractor shall neglect, refuse, or fail to complete the remaining work within the time specified



in the Contract Documents for Final Completion and readiness for final payment or any proper extension thereof granted by City, Contractor shall pay City, as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, additional sum of **TWO HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$200)** per day for each calendar day of unexcused delay in achieving completion and readiness for final payment.

- A. No Waiver of Rights or Liabilities. Permitting Contractor to continue and finish the work, or any part thereof, beyond the dates specified for Substantial Completion and/or Final Completion and readiness for final payment shall not operate as a waiver on the part of the City of any of its rights under this Agreement. Any liquidated damages assessed pursuant to this section shall not relieve Contractor from liability for any damages or costs of other contractors caused by a failure of Contractor to complete the work as agreed.
- B. **Right to Withhold or Deduct Damages**. When liquidated damages are due and owing, City shall have the right to: (1) deduct the liquidated damages from any money in its hands or from any money otherwise due or to become due to Contractor; or to (2) initiate any applicable dispute resolution procedure for the recovery of liquidated damages within the times specified under this Agreement.
- C. Non-Cumulative. The parties agree and understand that the amounts set forth under this section for liquidated damages are not cumulative with one another. The amount set forth as liquidated damages for Contractor's failure to achieve Substantial Completion shall be assessed upon default and continue until Substantial Completion is attained. The amount set forth as liquidated damages for Contractor's failure to achieve Final Completion and readiness for payment shall be assessed after Substantial Completion is attained and apply until Final Completion is attained.
- D. **Additional Costs.** In addition to the liquidated damages set forth under this section, Contractor agrees to pay all costs and expenses incurred by City due to Contractor's delay in performance to include inspection fees, superintendence costs, and travel expenses.
- E. **Injunctive Relief.** The parties acknowledge that monetary damages may not be a sufficient remedy for Contractor's failure to achieve Substantial Completion or Final Completion in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, and that City shall be entitled, in addition to all other rights or remedies in law and equity, to seek injunctive relief.
- 7. **DELAYS AND DAMAGES.** The Contractor agrees to make no claim for extra or additional costs attributable to any delays, inefficiencies, or interference in the performance of this contract occasioned by any act or omission to act by the City except as provided in the Agreement. The Contractor also agrees that any such delay, inefficiency, or interference shall be compensated for solely by an extension of time to complete the performance of the work in accordance with the provision in the standard specification.
- 8. **MAINTENANCE AND GUARANTEE BOND.** Prior to final payment, Contractor shall furnish a Maintenance and Guarantee Bond in the amount of **TEN PERCENT (10%)** of the total project value, for a period of **THREE (3)** year for labor and **THREE (3)** year for materials from the date of final completion. Prior to the City's receipt of Contractor's fully executed Maintenance and Guarantee Bond, Contractor will warrant all labor and materials completed pursuant to this Agreement.
- 9. **PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION BOND**. As required by section 255.05, Florida Statutes, Contractor shall furnish a certified and recorded Public Construction Bond in the amount of **NINE HUNDRED**



SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$963,700) as security for the faithful performance of the work as required and set forth in the Contract Documents within the time set forth for performance under this Agreement and for prompt payments to all persons defined in section 713.01, Florida Statutes, who furnish labor, services, or materials for the completion of the work provided for herein.

- 10. FORCE MAJEURE. Neither party shall be liable for delay, damage, or failure in the performance of any obligation under this Agreement if such delay, damage, or failure is due to causes beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation: fire, flood, strikes and labor disputes, acts of war, acts of nature, terrorism, civil unrest, acts or delays in acting of the government of the United States or the several states, judicial orders, decrees or restrictions, or any other like reason which is beyond the control of the respective party ("Force Majeure"). The party affected by any event of force majeure shall use reasonable efforts to remedy, remove, or mitigate such event and the effects thereof with all reasonable dispatch.
 - A. The party affected by force majeure shall provide the other party with full particulars thereof including, but not limited to, the nature, details, and expected duration thereof, as soon as it becomes aware.
 - B. When force majeure circumstances arise, the parties shall negotiate in good faith any modifications of the terms of this Agreement that may be necessary or appropriate in order to arrive at an equitable solution. Contractor performance shall be extended for a number of days equal to the duration of the force majeure. Contractor shall be entitled to an extension of time only and, in no event, shall Contractor be entitled to any increased costs, additional compensation, or damages of any type resulting from such force majeure delays.
- 11. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE WORK. Contractor shall report its progress to the City Project Manager as set forth herein. All services, work, and materials provided by Contractor under this Agreement shall be provided to the satisfaction and approval of the City Project Manager.
 - A. The City Project Manager shall decide all questions regarding the quality, acceptability, and/or fitness of materials furnished, or workmanship performed, the rate of progress of the work, the interpretation of the plans and specifications, and the acceptable fulfillment of the Agreement, in his or her sole discretion, based upon both the requirements set forth by City and the information provided by Contractor in its Bid. The authority vested in the City Project Manager pursuant to this paragraph shall be confined to the direction or specification of what is to be performed under this Agreement and shall not extend to the actual execution of the work.
 - B. Neither the City Project Manager's review of Contractor's work nor recommendations made by City Project Manager pursuant to this Agreement will impose on City Project Manager any responsibility to supervise, direct, or control Contractor's work in progress or for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction or safety precautions or programs incident Contractor's furnishing and performing the work.
- 12. **TERMINATION AND DEFAULT**. Either party, upon determination that the other party has failed or refused to perform or is otherwise in breach of any obligation or provision under this Agreement or the Contract Document, may give written notice of default to the defaulting party in the manner specified for the giving of notices herein. Termination of this Agreement by either



party for any reason shall have no effect upon the rights or duties accruing to the parties prior to termination.

- A. **Termination by City for Cause**. City shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately, in whole or in part, upon the failure of Contractor to carry out any obligation, term, or condition of this Agreement. City's election to terminate the Agreement for default shall be communicated by providing Contractor written notice of termination in the manner specified for the giving of notices herein. Any notice of termination given to Contractor by City shall be effective immediately, unless otherwise provided therein, upon the occurrence of any one or more of the following events:
 - (1) Contractor fails to timely and properly perform any of the services set forth in the specifications of the Agreement;
 - (2) Contractor provides material that does not meet the specifications of the Agreement;
 - (3) Contractor fails to complete the work required within the time stipulated in the Agreement; or
 - (4) Contractor fails to make progress in the performance of the Agreement and/or gives City reason to believe that Contractor cannot or will not perform to the requirements of the Agreement.
- B. **Contractor's Opportunity to Cure Default**. City may, in its sole discretion, provide Contractor with an opportunity to cure the violations set forth in City's notice of default to Contractor. Contractor shall commence to cure the violations immediately and shall diligently and continuously prosecute such cure to completion within a reasonable time as determined by City. If the violations are not corrected within the time determined to be reasonable by City or to the reasonable satisfaction of City, City may, without further notice, declare Contractor to be in breach of this Agreement and pursue all remedies available at law or equity, to include termination of this Agreement without further notice.
- C. **City's Remedies Upon Contractor Default**. In the event that Contractor fails to cure any default under this Agreement within the time period specified in this section, City may pursue any remedies available at law or equity, including, without limitation, the following:
 - (1) City shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement without further notice;
 - (2) City shall be entitled to hire another contractor to complete the required work in accordance with the needs of City;
 - (3) City shall be entitled to recover from Contractor all damages, costs, and attorney's fees arising from Contractor's default prior to termination; and
 - (4) City shall be entitled to recovery from Contractor any actual excess costs by: (i) deduction from any unpaid balances owed to Contractor; (ii) placing a claim against the public construction bond, or (iii) any other remedy as provided by law.
- D. **Termination for Convenience**. City reserves the right to terminate this Agreement in whole or in part at any time for the convenience of City without penalty or recourse. The City Project Manager shall provide written notice of the termination. Upon receipt of the notice, Contractor shall immediately discontinue all work as directed in the notice, notify all subcontractors of the effective date of the termination, and minimize all further costs to City



including, but not limited to, the placing of any and all orders for materials, facilities, or supplies, in connection with its performance under this Agreement. Contractor shall be entitled to receive compensation solely for: (1) the actual cost of the work completed in conformity with this Agreement; and/or (2) such other costs incurred by Contractor as permitted under this Agreement and approved by City.

- 13. **WARRANTY.** Contractor warrants that all labor, materials, and equipment furnished under the agreement are new, of the type and quality required for the Project, and installed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with the Contract Documents. Contractor shall guarantee that the work shall be free from any defects in workmanship for a period of not less than **THREE** (3) years from the date of Final Completion. Contractor shall guarantee that the materials provided shall be free from any defects for the longer of: (1) **THREE** (3) years from the date of Final Completion; or (2) the period of warranty provided by any supplier or manufacturer. All written manufacturers' warranties for materials supplied must be provided to the City Project Manager before final payment will be authorized.
- 14. **PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**. At the end of the contract, City may evaluate Contractor's performance. Any such evaluation will become public record.
- 15. **NOTICE REGARDING FAILURE TO FULFILL AGREEMENT**. Any contractor who enters into an Agreement with the City of Ocala and fails to complete the contract term, for any reason, shall be subject to future bidding suspension for a period of **ONE (1)** year and bid debarment for a period of up to **THREE (3)** years for serious contract failures.
- 16. **CONTRACTOR REPRESENTATIONS**. Contractor expressly represents that:
 - A. Contractor has read and is fully familiar with all the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Contract Documents, and other related data and acknowledges that they are sufficient in scope and detail to indicate and convey understanding of all terms and conditions of the work to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement.
 - B. Contractor has disclosed, in writing, all known conflicts, errors, inconsistencies, discrepancies, or omissions discovered by Contractor in the Contract Documents, and that the City's written resolution of same is acceptable to Contractor.
 - C. Contractor has had an opportunity to visit, has visited, or has had an opportunity to examine and ask questions regarding the sites upon which the work is to be performed and is satisfied with the site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the work, as observable or determinable by Contractor's own investigation.
 - D. Contractor is satisfied with the site conditions that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the work, as observable or determinable by Contractor's own investigation.
 - E. Contractor is familiar with all local, state, and Federal laws, regulations, and ordinances which may affect cost, progress, or its performance under this Agreement whatsoever.
 - F. **Public Entity Crimes.** Neither Contractor, its parent corporations, subsidiaries, members, shareholders, partners, officers, directors or executives, nor any of its affiliates, contractors, suppliers, subcontractors, or consultants under this Agreement have been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction of a public entity crime. Contractor understands that a "public entity crime" as defined in section 287.133(1)(g), Florida Statutes, is "a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to and directly related to the transaction



of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States..." Contractor further understands that any person or affiliate who has been placed on the convicted vendor list following a conviction for a public entity crime: (1) may not submit a bid, proposal, or reply on a contract: (a) to provide any goods or services to a public entity; (b) for the construction or repair of a public building or public work; or (c) for leases of real property to a public entity; (2) may not be awarded or perform work as a contractor, supplier, subcontractor, or consultant under a contract with any public entity; and (3) may not transact business with any public entity in excess of the threshold amount provided in section 287.017, Florida Statutes, for CATEGORY TWO for a period of 36 months from the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list.

- 17. **CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES**. Except as otherwise specifically provided for in this Agreement, the following provisions are the responsibility of the Contractor:
 - A. Contractor shall competently and efficiently supervise, inspect, and direct all work to be performed under this Agreement, devoting such attention thereto and applying such skills and expertise as may be necessary to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Documents.
 - B. Contractor shall be solely responsible for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures of construction and safety precautions or programs incident thereto.
 - C. Contractor shall be responsible to see that the finished work complies accurately with this Agreement and the intent thereof.
 - D. Contractor shall comply with all local, state, and Federal laws, regulations, and ordinances which may affect cost, progress, or its performance under this Agreement, including, but not limited to obtaining all permits, licenses, and other authorizations necessary for the prosecution of the work and be responsible for all costs associated with same.
 - E. Contractor shall operate and cause all construction equipment and materials supplied for or intended to be utilized in the Project to be operated and stored in only those areas prescribed by City. This includes the operations of workmen.
 - F. Contractor shall be fully responsible for receipt, inspection, acceptance, handling, and storage of all construction equipment and materials supplied for or intended to be utilized in the Project, whether furnished by Contractor or City. Contractor shall be responsible for providing adequate safeguards to prevent loss, theft, damage, or commingling with other materials or projects.
 - G. Contractor shall continue its performance under this Agreement during the pendency of any dispute or disagreement arising out of or relating to this Agreement, except as Contractor and City may otherwise agree in writing.
- 18. **NO EXCLUSIVITY**. It is expressly understood and agreed by the parties that this is not an exclusive agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with Contractor or as prohibit City from either acquiring similar, equal, or like goods and/or services or from executing additional contracts with other entities or sources.
- 19. RIGHT OF ACCESS AND OTHER WORK PERFORMED BY THIRD PARTIES. City may perform additional work related to the Project itself, or have additional work performed by utility service companies, or let other direct contracts therefore which shall contain General Conditions similar



to these. Contractor shall afford the utility service companies and the other contractors who are parties to such direct contracts (or City, if City is performing the additional work with City's employees) reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of materials and equipment and the execution of work and shall properly connect and coordinate his work with theirs.

- A. If any part of Contractor's work depends for proper execution or results upon the work of any such other contractor or utility service company (or City), Contractor shall inspect and promptly report to City in writing any latent or apparent defects or deficiencies in such work that render it unsuitable for such proper execution and results. Contractor's failure to so report shall constitute an acceptance of the other work as fit and proper for integration with Contractor's work except for latent or non-apparent defects and deficiencies in the other work.
- B. Contractor shall do all cutting, fitting, and patching of work that may be required to make the parts come together properly and integrate with such other work. Contractor shall not endanger any work of others by cutting, excavating, or otherwise altering their work, and will only cut or alter their work with the written consent of City.
- 20. **STORAGE OF MATERIALS/EQUIPMENT**. Contractor shall be fully responsible for receipt, inspection, acceptance, handling, and storage of equipment and materials (whether furnished by Contractor or City) to be utilized in the performance of or incorporated into the work.
- 21. **RESPONSIBILITIES OF CITY.** City or its representative shall issue all communications to Contractor. City has the authority to request changes in the work in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and with the terms in **Exhibit A Scope of Work.** City has the authority to stop work or to suspend any work.
- 22. **COMMERCIAL AUTO LIABILITY INSURANCE.** Contractor shall procure, maintain, and keep in full force, effect, and good standing for the life of this Agreement a policy of commercial auto liability insurance with a minimum combined single limit of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage arising out of Contractor's operations and covering all owned, hired, scheduled, and non-owned automobiles utilized in said operations. If Contractor does not own vehicles, Contractor shall maintain coverage for hired and non-owned automobile liability, which may be satisfied by way of endorsement to Contractor's Commercial General Liability policy or separate Commercial Automobile Liability policy.
- 23. **COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE.** Contractor shall procure, maintain, and keep in full force, effect, and good standing for the life of this Agreement a policy of Commercial General Liability insurance with limits not less than:
 - A. One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate (or project aggregate, if a construction project) for bodily injury, property damage, and personal and advertising injury; and
 - B. One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence and Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) aggregate (or project aggregate, if a construction project) for products and completed operations.
 - C. Policy must include coverage for contractual liability and independent contractors.
 - D. Policy must include Additional Insured coverage in favor of the City that is no less restrictive than that afforded under the CG 20 26 04 13 Additional Insured Form.



- 24. **WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER'S LIABILITY.** Worker's Compensation insurance shall be provided by Contractor as required by Chapter 440, Florida Statutes, or any other applicable state or federal law, including the U.S. Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers Compensation Act and the Jones Act.
 - A. Contractor shall similarly require any and all subcontractors to afford such coverage for all of its employees as required by applicable law.
 - B. Contractor shall waive and shall ensure that Contractor's insurance carrier waives, all subrogation rights against the City of Ocala and its officers, employees, and volunteers for all losses or damages. Contractor's policy shall be endorsed with WC 00 03 13 Waiver of our Right to Recover from Others or its equivalent.
 - C. Exceptions and exemptions to this Section may be allowed at the discretion of the City's Risk Manager on a case-by-case basis in accordance with Florida Statutes and shall be evidenced by a separate waiver.

25. ADDITIONAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.

- A. Contractor's insurance coverage shall be primary insurance for all applicable policies. The limits of coverage under each policy maintained by Contractor shall not be interpreted as limiting Contractor's liability or obligations under this Agreement. City does not in any way represent that these types or amounts of insurance are sufficient or adequate enough to protect Contractor's interests or liabilities or to protect Contractor from claims that may arise out of or result from the negligent acts, errors, or omissions of Contractor, any of its agents or subcontractors, or for anyone whose negligent act(s) Contractor may be liable.
- B. No insurance shall be provided by the City for Contractor under this Agreement and Contractor shall be fully and solely responsible for any costs or expenses incurred as a result of a coverage deductible, co-insurance penalty to include any loss not covered because of the operation of such deductible, co-insurance penalty, or coverage exclusion or limitation.
- C. Certificates of Insurance. No work shall be commenced by Contractor under this Agreement until the required Certificate of Insurance and endorsements have been provided nor shall Contractor allow any subcontractor to commence work until all similarly required certificates and endorsements of the subcontractor have also been provided. Work shall not continue after expiration (or cancellation) of the Certificate of Insurance and work shall not resume until a new Certificate of Insurance has been provided. Contractor shall provide evidence of insurance in the form of a valid Certificate of Insurance (binders are unacceptable) prior to the start of work contemplated under this Agreement to: City of Ocala. Attention: Procurement & Contracting Department, Address: 110 SE Watula Avenue, Third Floor, Ocala Florida 34471, E-Mail: vendors@ocalafl.gov. Contractor's Certificate of Insurance and required endorsements shall be issued by an agency authorized to do business in the State of Florida with an A.M. Best Rating of A or better. The Certificate of Insurance shall indicate whether coverage is being provided under a claims-made or occurrence form. If any coverage is provided on a claims-made form, the Certificate of Insurance must show a retroactive date, which shall be the effective date of the initial contract or prior.
- D. **City as an Additional Insured**. The City of Ocala shall be named as an Additional Insured and Certificate Holder on all liability on all liability policies identified in this Section with the exception of Workers' Compensation, Auto Liability (except when required by Risk



Management) and Professional Liability policies. Workers Compensation policy must contain a Waiver of Subrogation in favor of the City.

- E. **Notice of Cancellation of Insurance**. Contractor's Certificate of Insurance shall provide **THIRTY (30) DAY** notice of cancellation, **TEN (10) DAY** notice if cancellation is for non-payment of premium. In the event that Contractor's insurer is unable to accommodate the cancellation notice requirement, it shall be the responsibility of Contractor to provide the proper notice. Such notification shall be in writing by registered mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the certificate holder. Additional copies may be sent to the City of Ocala at vendors@ocalafl.gov.
- F. **Failure to Maintain Coverage**. The insurance policies and coverages set forth above are required and providing proof of and maintaining insurance of the types and with such terms and limits set forth above is a material obligation of Contractor. Contractor's failure to obtain or maintain in full force and effect any insurance coverage required under this Agreement shall constitute material breach of this Agreement.
- G. **Severability of Interests**. Contractor shall arrange for its liability insurance to include or be endorsed to include a severability of interests/cross-liability provision so that the "City of Ocala" (where named as an additional insured) will be treated as if a separate policy were in existence, but without increasing the policy limits.
- 27. **SAFETY/ENVIRONMENTAL.** Contractor shall be responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Contractor shall make an effort to detect hazardous conditions and shall take prompt action where necessary to avoid accident, injury or property damage. EPA, DEP, OSHA and all other applicable safety laws and ordinances shall be followed as well as American National Standards Institute Safety Standards. Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for the safety of, and shall provide the necessary protection to prevent damage, injury, or loss to:
 - A. All employees on the work and other persons that may be affected thereby;
 - B. All work, materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site; and
 - C. Other property at the site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, and utilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.
 - All, injury, or loss to any property caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by Contractor, any subcontractor, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by any of them, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, shall be remedied by Contractor. Contractor's duties and responsibilities for the safety and protection of the work shall continue until such time as the work is completed and accepted by City.
- 28. **TRAFFIC CONTROL AND BARRICADES.** The Contractor shall mitigate impact on local traffic conditions to all extents possible. The Contractor is responsible for establishing and maintaining appropriate traffic control and barricades. The Contractor shall provide sufficient signing, flagging and barricading to ensure the safety of vehicular and pedestrian traffic at all locations where work is being done under this Agreement.



- a. In addition to the requirements set forth in its bid, the Contractor shall maintain at all times a good and sufficient fence, railing or barrier around all exposed portions of said work in such a manner as to warn vehicular and pedestrian traffic of hazardous conditions.
- b. Should Contractor fail to properly barricade his work or stored material sites in the manner outlined above, the City may have the necessary barricading done, and all cost incurred for said barricading shall be charged to the Contractor.
- 29. **WORK SITE AND CLEANUP.** Daily, during the progress of the work, Contractor shall keep the premises free from accumulations of waste materials, rubbish, and all other debris resulting from the work. At the completion of the work, Contractor shall remove all waste materials, rubbish, and debris from and about the premises, as well as all tools, appliances, construction equipment and machinery, and surplus materials, and shall leave the site clean and ready for occupancy by City. Contractor shall provide an inventory listing of all surplus materials in an area designated by City. Contractor shall restore to their original condition those portions of the site not designated or alteration by the Contract.
- 30. **CONSTRUCTION SURVEY LAYOUT.** The work to be performed pursuant to survey work provided by City shall be completed as necessary to establish all proper alignments, right of way, easements, benchmarks, elevations and grade stakes to complete all phases of this Contract.
 - A. Contractor shall immediately bring to City's attention any survey issues that would impede the Contractor's completion of the work. The work performed pursuant to survey work at the Contractor's expense pursuant to this Agreement shall be prepared by a licensed surveyor and provided to the City. Any survey issues with these surveys that would impede the Contractor's completion of the work shall immediately be brought to the City's attention. If additional or corrective survey work is required, it shall be at Contractor's expense.
 - B. The City Engineer/City Project Manager shall establish a number of benchmarks on the project which in their opinion will enable the Contractor to perform the work. If Contractor shall remove or destroy any stake, marker or benchmark on the work without first having secured the approval of the City Engineer/City Project Manager, such stake, or benchmark shall be re-established by and at Contractor's expense.
 - C. It shall be the responsibility of Contractor to preserve all adjacent property corner markers which might be affected by their operations and replace same if undermined. Corner locations known by City will be made available to Contractor. All original field notes, calculations, and other documents developed by the surveyor in conjunction with this work shall be given to City and become City property. All surveying work must be in accordance with Chapters 177 and 472 of Florida Statutes and Chapter 6IG17 of the Florida Administrative Code.
- 31. **NON-DISCRIMINATORY EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES**. During the performance of the contract, the Contractor shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital or domestic partner status, familial status, or veteran status and shall take affirmative action to ensure that an employee or applicant is afforded equal employment opportunities without discrimination. Such action shall be taken with reference to, but not limited to: recruitment, employment, termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation and selection for training or retraining, including apprenticeship and on-the-job training.



- 32. **COMPLIANCE WITH F.S. 287.135.** City may terminate Agreement immediately upon discovering that Contractor: (A) has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List; (B) is engaged in a boycott of Israel; (C) has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List; (D) has been placed on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in the Iran Petroleum Energy Sector List; or (E) has been engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria. This Agreement may also be terminated immediately if the Contractor falsely certified they are eligible to bid and contract with local government entities under F.S. 287.135.
- 33. **SUBCONTRACTORS.** Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to create, impose, or give rise to any duty owed by City or its representatives to any subcontractor of Contractor or any other persons or organizations having a direct contract with Contractor, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of City or its representatives to pay or seek payment of any monies to any subcontractor of Contractor or any other persons or organizations having a direct contract with Contractor, except as may otherwise be required by law. City shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any Contractor, subcontractor, or of any of their agents or employees, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of City or its representatives to pay or to seek the payment of any monies to any subcontractor or other person or organization, except as may otherwise be required by law.
- 34. **EMERGENCIES**. In an emergency affecting the welfare and safety of life or property, Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from the City Project Manager, is hereby permitted, authorized and directed to act at its own discretion to prevent threatened loss or injury. Except in the case of an emergency requiring immediate remedial work, any work performed after regular working hours, on Saturdays, Sundays or legal holidays, shall be performed without additional expense to the City unless such work has been specifically requested and approved by the City Project Manager. Contractor shall be required to provide to the City Project Manager with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of those representatives who can be contacted at any time in case of emergency. Contractor's emergency representatives must be fully authorized and equipped to correct unsafe or excessively inconvenient conditions on short notice by City or public inspectors.
- 35. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS.** Contractor acknowledges and agrees that under this Agreement, Contractor and any agent or employee of Contractor shall be deemed at all times to be an independent contractor and shall be wholly responsible for the manner in which it performs the services and work required under this Agreement. Neither Contractor nor its agents or employees shall represent or hold themselves out to be employees of City at any time. Neither Contractor nor its agents or employees shall have employee status with City. Nothing in this Agreement shall constitute or be construed to create any intent on the part of either party to create an agency relationship, partnership, employer-employee relationship, joint venture relationship, or any other relationship which would allow City to exercise control or discretion over the manner or methods employed by Contractor in its performance of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 36. **ACCESS TO FACILITIES.** City shall provide Contractor with access to all City facilities as is reasonably necessary for Contractor to perform its obligations under this Agreement.
- 37. **ASSIGNMENT.** Neither party may assign its rights or obligations under this Agreement to any third party without the prior express approval of the other party, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.



- 38. **RIGHT OF CITY TO TAKE OVER CONTRACT.** Should the work to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement be abandoned, or should Contractor become insolvent, or if Contractor shall assign or sublet the work to be performed hereunder without the written consent of City, the City Project Manager shall have the power and right to hire and acquire additional men and equipment, supply additional material, and perform such work as deemed necessary for the completion of this Agreement. Under these circumstances, all expenses and costs actually incurred by City to accomplish such completion shall be credited to City along with amounts attributable to any other elements of damage and certified by the City Project Manager. The City Project Manager's certification as to the amount of such liability shall be final and conclusive.
- 39. **PUBLIC RECORDS.** The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Florida Public Records Act, Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. Specifically, the Contractor shall:
 - A. Keep and maintain public records required by the public agency to perform the service.
 - B. Upon request from the public agency's custodian of public records, provide the public agency with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law.
 - C. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to the public agency.
 - D. Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to the public agency all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by the public agency to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to the public agency upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to the public agency, upon request from the public agency's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of the public agency.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT THE CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT: CITY OF OCALA, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; 352-629-8266; E-mail: clerk@ocalafl.gov; City Hall, 110 SE Watula Avenue, Ocala, FL 34471.

40. **AUDIT.** Contractor shall comply and cooperate immediately with any inspections, reviews, investigations, or audits relating to this Agreement as deemed necessary by the Florida Office of the Inspector General, the City's Internal or External auditors or by any other Florida official with proper authority.



- 41. **PUBLICITY.** Contractor shall not use City's name, logo, seal or other likeness in any press release, marketing materials, or other public announcement without City's prior written approval.
- 42. **E-VERIFY.** Pursuant to section 448.095, Contractor shall register with and use the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's ("DHS") E-Verify System, accessible at https://e-verify.uscis.gov/emp, to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Contractor shall obtain affidavits from any and all subcontractors in accordance with paragraph 2(b) of section 448.095, Florida Statutes, and maintain copies of such affidavits for the duration of this Agreement. By entering into this Agreement, Contractor certifies and ensures that it utilizes and will continue to utilize the DHS E-Verify System for the duration of this Agreement and any subsequent renewals of same. Contractor understands that failure to comply with the requirements of this section shall result in the termination of this Agreement and Contractor may lose the ability to be awarded a public contract for a minimum of one (1) year after the date on which the Agreement was terminated. Contractor shall provide a copy of its DHS Memorandum of Understanding upon City's request. Please visit www.e-verify.gov for more information regarding the E-Verify System.
- 43. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** Contractor is required to have disclosed, with the submission of their bid, the name of any officer, director, or agent who may be employed by the City. Contractor shall further disclose the name of any City employee who owns, directly or indirectly, any interest in Contractor's business or any affiliated business entity. Any additional conflicts of interest that may occur during the contract term must be disclosed to the City of Ocala Procurement Department.
- 44. **WAIVER.** The failure or delay of any party at any time to require performance by another party of any provision of this Agreement, even if known, shall not affect the right of such party to require performance of that provision or to exercise any right, power or remedy hereunder. Any waiver by any party of any breach of any provision of this Agreement should not be construed as a waiver of any continuing or succeeding breach of such provision, a waiver of the provision itself, or a waiver of any right, power or remedy under this Agreement. No notice to or demand on any party in any circumstance shall, of itself, entitle such party to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances.
- 45. **SEVERABILITY OF ILLEGAL PROVISIONS.** Wherever possible, each provision of this Agreement shall be interpreted in such a manner as to be effective and valid under the applicable law. Should any portion of this Agreement be declared invalid for any reason, such declaration shall have no effect upon the remaining portions of this Agreement.
- 46. **INDEMNITY.** Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless City and its elected officials, employees and volunteers against any actions, claims, or damages arising out of, relating to, or resulting from negligent or wrongful acts of Contractor, or any of its officers, agents, or employees, acting within the scope of their office or employment, in connection with the rights granted to or exercised by Contractor.
- 47. **NO WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.** The foregoing indemnification shall not constitute a waiver of the City's sovereign immunity beyond the limits set forth in section 768.28, Florida Statutes. Nor shall the same be construed to constitute agreement by Contractor to indemnify City for the negligent acts or omissions of City, its officers, agents, or employees, or third parties. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement.



48. **NOTICES.** All notices, certifications or communications required by this Agreement shall be given in writing and shall be deemed delivered when personally served, or when received if by facsimile transmission with a confirming copy mailed by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested. Notices can be concurrently delivered by e-mail. All notices shall be addressed to the respective parties as follows:

If to Contractor: General Underground, LLC

Attention: Chris Brown

P.O. Box 315

Lake Helen, Florida 32744

Phone: 352-493-7782 Cell: 305-493-7782 E-mail: chrisbrown@generalunderground.com

If to City of Ocala: Daphne M. Robinson, Esq., Contracting Officer

City of Ocala

110 SE Watula Avenue, Third Floor

Ocala, Florida 34471 Phone: 352-629-8343

E-mail: notices@ocalafl.gov

Copy to: William E. Sexton, Esq., City Attorney

City of Ocala

110 SE Watula Avenue, Third Floor

Ocala, Florida 34471 Phone: 352-401-3972

E-mail: wsexton@ocalafl.gov

- 49. **ATTORNEYS' FEES.** If any civil action, arbitration or other legal proceeding is brought for the enforcement of this Agreement, or because of an alleged dispute, breach, default or misrepresentation in connection with any provision of this Agreement, the successful or prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees, sales and use taxes, court costs and all expenses reasonably incurred even if not taxable as court costs (including, without limitation, all such fees, taxes, costs and expenses incident to arbitration, appellate, bankruptcy and post-judgment proceedings), incurred in that civil action, arbitration or legal proceeding, in addition to any other relief to which such party or parties may be entitled. Attorneys' fees shall include, without limitation, paralegal fees, investigative fees, administrative costs, sales and use taxes and all other charges reasonably billed by the attorney to the prevailing party.
- 50. JURY WAIVER. IN ANY CIVIL ACTION, COUNTERCLAIM, OR PROCEEDING, WHETHER AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, WHICH ARISES OUT OF, CONCERNS, OR RELATES TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY AND ALL TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREUNDER, THE PERFORMANCE HEREOF, OR THE RELATIONSHIP CREATED HEREBY, WHETHER SOUNDING IN CONTRACT, TORT, STRICT LIABILITY, OR OTHERWISE, TRIAL SHALL BE TO A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION AND NOT TO A JURY. EACH PARTY HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY. NEITHER PARTY HAS MADE OR RELIED UPON ANY ORAL REPRESENTATIONS TO OR BY ANY OTHER PARTY REGARDING THE



ENFORCEABILITY OF THIS PROVISION. EACH PARTY HAS READ AND UNDERSTANDS THE EFFECT OF THIS JURY WAIVER PROVISION.

- 51. **GOVERNING LAW.** This Agreement is and shall be deemed to be a contract entered and made pursuant to the laws of the state of Florida and shall in all respects be governed, construed, applied and enforced in accordance with the laws of the state of Florida.
- 52. **JURISDICTION AND VENUE.** The parties acknowledge that a majority of the negotiations, anticipated performance and execution of this Agreement occurred or shall occur in Marion County, Florida. Any civil action or legal proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be brought only in the courts of record of the State of Florida in Marion County or the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Ocala Division. Each party consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of such court in any such civil action or legal proceeding and waives any objection to the laying of venue of any such civil action or legal proceeding in such court and/or the right to bring an action or proceeding in any other court. Service of any court paper may be effected on such party by mail, as provided in this Agreement, or in such other manner as may be provided under applicable laws, rules of procedures or local rules.
- 53. **REFERENCE TO PARTIES.** Each reference herein to the parties shall be deemed to include their successors, assigns, heirs, administrators, and legal representatives, all whom shall be bound by the provisions hereof.
- 54. **MUTUALITY OF NEGOTIATION.** Contractor and City acknowledge that this Agreement is a result of negotiations between Contractor and City, and the Agreement shall not be construed in favor of, or against, either party because of that party having been more involved in the drafting of the Agreement.
- 55. **SECTION HEADINGS.** The section headings herein are included for convenience only and shall not be deemed to be a part of this Agreement.
- 56. **RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES.** Nothing in this Agreement, whether express or implied, is intended to confer any rights or remedies under or because of this Agreement on any persons other than the parties hereto and their respective legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to relieve or discharge the obligation or liability of any third persons to any party to this Agreement, nor shall any provision give any third persons any right of subrogation or action over or against any party to this Agreement.
- 57. **AMENDMENT.** No amendment to this Agreement shall be effective except those agreed to in writing and signed by both parties to this Agreement.
- 58. **COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute the same instrument.
- 59. **ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE(S).** Contractor, if and by offering an electronic signature in any form whatsoever, will accept and agree to be bound by said electronic signature to all terms and conditions of this Agreement. Further, a duplicate or copy of the Agreement that contains a duplicated or non-original signature will be treated the same as an original, signed copy of this original Agreement for all purposes.
- 60. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement, including exhibits, (if any) constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof. There are no other representations, warranties, promises, agreements or understandings, oral, written or



implied, among the Parties, except to the extent reference is made thereto in this Agreement. No course of prior dealings between the parties and no usage of trade shall be relevant or admissible to supplement, explain, or vary any of the terms of this Agreement. No representations, understandings, or agreements have been made or relied upon in the making of this Agreement other than those specifically set forth herein.

61. **LEGAL AUTHORITY**. Each person signing this Agreement on behalf of either party individually warrants that he or she has full legal power to execute this Agreement on behalf of the party for whom he or she is signing, and to bind and obligate such party with respect to all provisions contained in this Agreement.

ATTEST:	CITY OF OCALA	
Angel B. Jacobs City Clerk	Kristen Dreyer City Council President	
pproved as to form and legality:	GENERAL UNDERGROUND, LLC	
Signed by: William E. Sypton, Esq., AASSABABEDOFS	Docusigned by: FB993BC1A428470. (Signature)	
By: William E. Sexton, Esq. (Printed Name)	By: Chris Brown (Printed Name)	
itle: City Attorney	Title: Managing Member	

BACKGROUND

- 1. Contractor shall provide utility construction services supporting the Engineering department. The project consists of the installation of a new 12" sewer force main (via horizontal directional drilling) on SE 20th/22nd Avenue, from the intersection with State Road 464 to the intersection with E Fort King Street, as shown on **Exhibit B Plan Set**.
- 2. Contractor shall be responsible for providing all materials, labor, and equipment (in good working condition) to complete the construction of the project.

EXPERIENCE AND LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

- 1. **Licensing Requirement:** Contractor must be a licensed as an Underground Utility or General Contractor License in the State of Florida to submit a bid for this project.
- 2. **Experience Requirement:** Contractor must possess 10 years' experience in underground utility services. **The Contractor must provide proof of years of experience with the bid.**

BOND REQUIREMENTS

- 1. **Bid Bond:** Bid security equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid amount must accompany each bid. Bid bond will be uploaded in the section of this listing labeled "Bid Bond." The original document will be maintained by the Contractor unless requested to produce by the City.
- 2. **Public Construction Bond:** Contractor must submit a recorded Public Construction bond in the amount of the total bid.
- 3. **Maintenance and Guarantee Bond:** Contractor will also be required to furnish a Maintenance and Guarantee Bond for the 10% of the total project value, prior to final payment, for a period of three (3) years for labor and three (3) years for materials from the date of final completion.

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. **Commercial General Liability:** with limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence/\$2,000,000 aggregate.
- 2. **Commercial Automotive Liability:** a combined limit of not less than \$1,000,000.
- 3. **Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability:** per Florida statutory requirements.

PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

- 1. **Permits Required:** Contractor will be responsible for obtaining the following City of Ocala permits at no additional cost to the City:
 - Right-of-Way (ROW) Utilization
- 2. **Estimated Permit Cost:** The ROW permit cost will be waived upon submission.
- 3. **Permit Application:** The ROW Utilization Permit Application is available under "Documents" at: https://www.ocalafl.org/government/city-departments-a-h/city-engineer-s-office
- 4. **Construction Permit Applications:** For construction permits and related documents, please visit: https://www.ocalafl.org/government/city-departments-a-h/growth-management/building/construction-permits

CONSTRUCTION TIMEFRAME

- Construction Time: Contractor agrees that the Work will be substantially completed within one hundred and twenty (120) calendar days of issued Notice to Proceed (NTP), and completed and ready for final payment within ten (10) days after substantial completion.
 - a. Contractor agrees, as a condition for submitting a bid, that this project will be completed in the time agreed upon between the City and the Contractor. The Contractor agrees to commence work on the date specified in a written "Notice to Proceed" by the City. Such "Notice to Proceed" will be issued at the pre-construction conference.
 - b. The Contractor must have project signs in place, be able to mobilize, and begin construction no later seven (7) days of NTP date. At no time will the Contractor be allowed to lag behind.
 - c. The Contractor shall complete the projects within the time limit specified in the "Notice to Proceed." At no time will the Contractor be allowed to lag behind. The Contractor is responsible for accurately tracking contract time and construction progress.
 - d. Contractor shall submit updated progress schedules with all pay applications. Unsubstantiated delays and/or consistent failure to meet progress schedules will be cause for the City to terminate the Contract.
- 2. **Weather Days:** The Contractor shall submit a written request to the City Project Manager (email is the preferred method) for additional days for which work is suspended or delayed by weather.
 - a. Weather days shall be reconciled with each monthly pay application for the time period which the application is submitted and shall be final.
 - b. Contractor performance and execution of work will be considered in the determination for granting additional days.
- 3. **Lead Time:** The maximum acceptable lead time on materials is two (2) weeks. The City shall issue a Notice to Proceed (NTP) upon notification of receipt materials by Contractor.

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

- 1. The Contractor shall pay the City **\$2,667** for each calendar day that expires after the time specified for Substantial Completion, until the Work is substantially completed. After Substantial Completion, if the Contractor shall neglect, refuse, or fail to complete the remaining Work within the agreed upon projected Times or any proper extension thereof granted by the City, the Contractor shall pay an additional **\$200** per day for each calendar day that expires after the time specified until Final Completion and acceptance of the project by the City.
- 2. The liquidated damages set forth herein shall not be accumulative. If Substantial Completion of the Work is not met within the time specified for final completion of all Work, the liquidated damages shall continue to be at the rate or rates specified for default on Substantial Completion until Substantial Completion is attained. If the Work is not then finally completed, the rate or rates specified for default on final completion shall apply until final completion is attained. The City shall have the right to deduct the liquidated damages from any money in its hands, otherwise due, or to become due, to the Contractor, or to initiate applicable dispute resolution procedures and to recover liquidated damages for non-performance of this Contract within the time stipulated.
- 3. Nothing in this section is intended to limit the right to obtain injunctive relief or any and all relief as may be appropriate. Permission allowing the Contractor to continue and finish any part of the work

Exhibit A – SCOPE OF WORK

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after the time fixed for its completion or after the date to which the time for completion may have been extended shall in no way operate as a waiver on the part of the City of any of its rights under this Agreement.

MOBILIZATION AND MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC

- 1. **Mobilization:** Obtaining of required permits and the moving of the Contractors operations and equipment required for construction. Provide on-site construction power and wiring, as needed. Provide on-site sanitary facilities as required by Governing agencies. The Contractor will not be permitted to use the City sanitary facilities during construction. Posting of OSHA required notices and establishing of safety programs and procedures.
- 2. **Maintenance of Traffic (MOT)/Temporary Traffic Control (TTC):** Maintain traffic per FDOT approved plan set (Exhibit B) within the limits of the project for the duration of the construction period, including any temporary suspensions of the work. Construct and maintain detours.
 - A. Provide facilities for access to residences, businesses, etc., along the project. Furnish, install and maintain traffic control and safety devices during construction. Furnish and install work zone pavement markings for MOT/TTC in construction areas. Provide any other special requirements for safe and expeditious movement of traffic specified in the Plans.
 - B. MOT/TTC includes all facilities, devices and operations as required for safety and convenience of the public within the work zone. Do not maintain traffic over those portions of the project where no work is to be accomplished or where construction operations will not affect existing roads. Do not obstruct or create a hazard to any traffic during the performance of the work and repair any damage to existing pavement open to traffic. FDOT Design Standards are the minimum standards for the use in the development of all Traffic Control Plans (TCPs).
 - C. Contractor must have one (1) person that is MOT/TTC certified on site <u>at all times during</u> construction.

ANTICIPATED TASKS, DELIVERABLES AND HOURS

- 1. **Anticipated Tasks:** The Contractor may be required to perform the following types of services for the City of Ocala. This list is not an attempt to exclusively define those specific activities the Contractor will perform.
 - Force Main installation (all components).
 - Horizontal directional drilling.
 - Sediment control.
 - Concrete work.
 - Sodding.
 - Maintenance of traffic.
 - Unsuitable material removal and replacement.
 - Air release valve assembly installation.
 - Utility locates.

- 2. **Deliverables:** The Contractor shall provide monthly reports of all Task Work Orders in progress. Deliverables shall be accepted by the City of Ocala Project Manager before payment for such work.
- 3. **Working Hours:** The normal/standard working hours for this project are 7:00 AM 5:00 PM Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Contractor shall provide (forty-eight) 48-hour advance notice to City Project Manager for work outside normal shift hours. The City may decline the request.
- 4. **Emergency Work Hours:** The Contractor must have available staff on site and prepared to begin work within two (2) hours notification of any work deemed "Emergency" (this includes all storm related emergencies). If the work is not completed or staff is not on site by Contract timelines the Contract will be considered in default.
 - A. Upon declaration of default, the City will have full power to appropriate or use any or all suitable and acceptable materials and equipment on the site and may enter an agreement with others to complete the work under the Contract or may use other methods to complete the work in an acceptable manner. The City will charge all costs that the City incurs because of the Contractor's default, including the costs of completing the work under the Contract, against the Contractor.
 - B. If, after default notice by the City, and prior to any action by the City to otherwise complete the work under the Contract, the Contractor establishes their intent to prosecute the work in accordance with the City's requirements, then the City may allow the Contractor to resume the work, in which case the City will deduct from any monies due or that may become due under the Contract, any costs to the City incurred by the delay, or from any reason attributable to the delay.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

This project will require the Contractor to follow the following plans and specifications:

- 1. Plan Set for the project attached as an **Exhibit B Plan Set**.
- City of Ocala Standard Specifications for Construction of Streets, Stormwater, Traffic, Water and Sewer Infrastructure available at: https://www.ocalafl.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/26969/638741677724600000
- 3. Florida Department of Transportation Standard Specifications (FDOT) for Road and Bridge Construction, latest edition available at:
 - http://www.fdot.gov/programmanagement/Implemented/SpecBooks/
- 4. Florida Department of Transportation Standard Plans for Road and Bridge Construction (latest edition): https://www.fdot.gov/design/standardplans/sprbc.shtm
- 5. **Job Site Documents:** The Contractor must have the above listed documents in addition to up to date copies of shop drawings, plans and bid document at job sites at all times.

WRITTEN QUOTES

1. The Contractor shall submit a detailed written estimate of the proposed services prior to any work being performed by the Contractor. Written quotes shall be submitted within three (3) days of the initial request by the City. The Contractor shall submit an itemized not-to-exceed price, giving a full description of the project for each project covered by this Contract.

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2. Written quotes shall list the location name and address. The project estimate shall list each and every item per bid specifications, i.e., items and quantity, and all hardware items used. Each quote shall be submitted to the City Project Manager by email with a clear sketch or drawing (if applicable).

CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEES AND EQUIPMENT

- 1. Contractor must utilize competent employees in performing the work. Employees performing the work must be properly licensed or qualified as required by the scope/project.
- 2. The Contractor shall provide an assigned project manager, who will be the primary point of contact. Contractor must provide a valid telephone number, email, and address at all times to the City Project Manager. The telephone must be answered during normal working hours or voicemail must be available to take a message.
- 3. At the request of the City, the Contractor must replace any incompetent, unfaithful, abusive, or disorderly person in their employment. The City and the Contractor must each be promptly notified by the other of any complaints received.
- 4. The Contractor's employees shall wear suitable work clothes and personal protective equipment as defined by OSHA (hard hats, bucket harnesses, etc.) and meeting Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) requirements as indicated for all work conducted and be as clean and in as good appearance as the job conditions permit.
- 5. Contractor shall operate as an independent contractor and not as an agent, representative, partner, or employee of the City of Ocala, and shall control their operations at the work site, and be solely responsible for the acts or omissions of their employees.
- 6. Contractor must possess/obtain all required equipment to perform the work. A list of equipment shall be provided to the City upon request.

CITY OF OCALA RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. The City of Ocala will furnish, the following services/data to the Contractor for the performance of services:
 - A. Provide access to drawings, specifications, schedules, reports, and other information prepared by/for the City of Ocala pertinent to the Contractor's responsibilities.
 - B. Access to City buildings and facilities to perform the work.
- 2. The City reserves the right to purchase any materials for the Contractor to use. The Contractor shall not charge a mark-up fee for material furnished by the City.

CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. The Contractor shall complete all work performed under this Contract in accordance with policies and procedures of the City of Ocala and all applicable State and Federal laws, policies, procedures, and guidelines.
- 2. The Contractor shall obtain and pay for any and licenses, additional equipment, dumping and/or disposal fees, etc., required to fulfill this Contract.
- 3. Construction/Installation shall be in compliance with all requirements and instructions of

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- applicable manufacturers.
- 4. If the Contractor is advised to leave a property by the property owner or their representative, the Contractor shall leave at once without altercation. Contractor shall then contact the City Project Manager within 24 hours and advise of the reason for not completing the assigned project.
- 5. Contractor shall be responsible for any and all damages including but not limited to buildings, curbing, pavement, landscaping, or irrigation systems caused by their activity. Should any public or private property be damaged or destroyed, the Contractor, at their expense, shall repair or make restoration as acceptable to the City of destroyed or damaged property no later than one (1) month from the date damage occurred.
- 6. Data collected by the Contractor shall be in a format compatible with, or easily converted to City's databases. A sequential naming convention should be applied to the files and documentation provided to the City.
- 7. **Erosion Sediment and Flood Control:** Provide, maintain, and operate temporary facilities to control erosion and sediment, and to protect work and existing facilities from flooding during construction. Maintain drainage ways and construct temporary drainage facilities to allow runoff to flow properly.
- 8. **Testing Requirements:** Contractor shall be responsible for arranging, obtaining, and paying for all inspections and tests required. Such inspections and tests shall be performed by independent inspectors, testing laboratories, or other qualified individuals or entities acceptable to Engineer. Results of all required testing and inspections shall be submitted to the Engineer. For other requirements for Tests and Inspection refer to Article 14 in the City of Ocala Standard Specifications for Construction of Streets, Stormwater, Traffic, Water and Sewer Infrastructure.

SUB-CONTRACTORS

- 1. Contractor must perform a minimum of 60% of the work with their own forces.
- 2. Services assigned to sub-contractors must be approved in advance by the City Project Manager.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AREAS

- 1. The City of Ocala is not responsible for providing property or lay down yards to the Contractor for their materials or equipment. If private property is used, the City requires a copy of the agreement between the property owner and the Contractor. **Utilizing private property without written permission is prohibited.**
- 2. Components of the project, including temporary work and storage areas, will be located on-site per project. Staging areas will be sited inside the right-of-way or within City property. Material and equipment staging areas will be kept in a clean and orderly fashion.
- 3. Provide on-site sanitary facilities as required by governing agencies.
- 4. Construction work area must be backfilled or protected by construction fencing at the end of each business day. Any work areas in roadways must at least be filled temporarily with asphalt millings or covered with a FDOT approved steel road plate before the roadway can be opened to traffic. If millings

are used the Contractor must maintain the millings daily until the millings are replaced with permanent asphalt.

SITE HOUSEKEEPING AND CLEANUP

- Waste/Debris: The Contractor shall keep the premises free at all times from accumulation of waste materials and rubbish caused by operations and employees. Contractor will provide approved containers for collection and disposal of waste materials, debris, and rubbish. Contractor shall dispose of debris in a legal manner. At least once weekly dispose of such waste materials, debris, and rubbish off-site.
- 2. **Cleanup:** Periodic cleanup to avoid hazards or interference with operations at the site, and to leave the site in a reasonable neat condition. Work site will be completely cleaned after each day of work. Sweep all roadways affected by the construction and where adjacent to work daily.
- 3. **Water Use:** The use of water to prevent the blowing of dust and debris during cutting operations and or cleaning operations is mandatory.
- 4. **Individual Project Cleaning:** At completion of each individual project, Contractor shall remove from the site all tools, equipment, surplus materials, debris, temporary facilities, scaffolding, and equipment. The areas of work shall be swept thoroughly and all marks, stains, rust, dirt, paint drippings, and the like shall be removed from all new and existing work, to the satisfaction of the Owner.
- 5. **Final Cleaning:** Upon completion of work, clean entire work area/project site as applicable.
 - A. Leave the work and adjacent areas affected in a cleaned condition satisfactory to the City Project Manager.
 - B. The Contractor shall clean and remove from the premises, all surplus and discarded materials, rubbish, and temporary structures, and shall restore in an acceptable manner all property, both public and private, which has been damaged during the prosecution of the work and shall have the work in a neat and presentable condition. *Note: Any and all debris shall be removed from the premises. New construction debris, trash, etc., shall not be left or buried on site.*
 - C. Broom clean exterior paved driveways and parking areas and hose clean sidewalks and concrete exposed surfaces if impacted by work or included in work area.
 - D. All furnishings and equipment shall be placed back in the original locations.
 - E. All work areas must be returned to original condition.

SUBMITTALS

- 1. Provide submittals as required by City of Ocala Standard Specifications for Construction of Streets, Stormwater, Traffic, Water and Sewer Infrastructure.
- 2. Submit copies of permits and approvals for construction as required by laws and regulations of governing agencies.
- 3. Submit temporary construction parking area plans, storage yard, storage trailer location, staging area plan, and plan for disposal of waste materials.

SAFETY

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- 1. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for ensuring safety during construction, and for conformance to all applicable OSHA standards; and local, state, and national codes concerning safety provisions for their employees, sub-contractors, all building and site occupants, staff, public, and all persons in or around the work area.
- 2. Job site visits by City staff do not constitute approval, awareness, or liability for any hazardous condition.
- 3. Contractor shall be responsible for securing their equipment, materials, clothing, and other property.
- 4. Prior to completion, storage and adequate protection of all material and equipment will be the Contractor's responsibility.
- 5. In no event shall the City be responsible for any damages to any of the Contractor's equipment, materials, property, or clothing lost, damaged, destroyed or stolen.

WARRANTY

- 1. Contractor shall provide a three (3) years' material and labor warranty from the date of substantial completion, against operational failure caused by defective material or workmanship which occurs during normal use.
- 2. All manufacturer warranty documentation and owner/operator manuals must be provided before final payment request.

Exhibit B – Plan Set

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The Plan Set for the Construction Service of the Installation of a new 12" Sewer Force Main On SE 20th/22nd Avenue to East Fort King Street are available for inspection or copying at:

1805 NE 30th Avenue, Bldg. 700, Ocala, Florida 34470.

Exhibit C -	PRCE PROPOSAL	CONTRACT#	CIP/250753			
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ITB# CIP/25	50753 SE 22nd Ave Force Main Reroute					
Item #	Description	Unit of Measure	Unit Price			
General Construction						
G-01	MOBILIZATION	LS	\$30,000.00			
G-02	BONDS	LS	\$13,000.00			
G-03	PROJECT SIGN	EA	\$2,000.00			
G-05	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	LS	\$8,000.00			
G-06	SEDIMENT CONTROL DEVICES	EA	\$500.00			
G-17	REMOVE & REPLACE UNSUITABLE MATERIAL	CY	\$10.00			
G-21	CONCRETE DRIVEWAY/SIDEWALK REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT	SY	\$100.00			
G-80	SOD	SY	\$11.00			
G-98	MISCELLANEOUS UTILIY LOCATES	HR	\$100.00			
Sanitary Sewer Construction						
S-18	DIRECTIONAL BORE, 12" (INCLUDING PIPE)	LF	\$135.00			
S-22	12" PVC FORCE MAIN	LF	\$135.00			
S-23	DIP MJ FITTINGS, 12"	EA	\$2,250.00			
S-25	12" PLUG VALVE & VALVE BOX	EA	\$6,000.00			
S-27-1	AIR RELEASE VALVE ASSEMBLY (ABOVE GROUND)	EA	\$7,000.00			
S-27-2	AIR RELEASE VALVE ASSEMBLY (EXISTING VAULT)	EA	\$7,500.00			



Certificate Of Completion

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