

Sonoma County Community Development Commission Sonoma County Housing Authority 1440 Guerneville Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95403-4107

Standard Professional Services Agreement ("PSA") Revision G – June 2016 Adapted for Community Development Commission May 2019

AGREEMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

This agreement ("Agreement"), dated as of ______, 20__ ("Effective Date") is by and between the Sonoma County Community Development Commission, a public body corporate and politic (hereinafter "Commission"), and ______ (hereinafter "Consultant").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Consultant represents that it is a duly qualified environmental consultant, experienced in the preparation of environmental review documents and related services; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the Commission, it is necessary and desirable to employ the services of Consultant for environmental review services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing recitals and the mutual covenants contained herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. <u>Scope of Services</u>.

1.1. <u>Consultant's Specified Services</u>.

Consultant shall perform the services described in Exhibit "A," attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (hereinafter "Scope of Work"), and within the times or by the dates provided for in Exhibit "A" and pursuant to Article 7, Prosecution of Work. In the event of a conflict between the body of this Agreement and Exhibit "A", the provisions in the body of this Agreement shall control.

1.2. <u>Cooperation With Commission</u>. Consultant shall cooperate with Commission and Commission staff in the performance of all work hereunder.

1.3. <u>Performance Standard</u>. Consultant shall perform all work hereunder in a manner consistent with the level of competency and standard of care normally observed by a person practicing in Consultant's profession. Commission has relied upon the professional ability and training of Consultant as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement. Consultant hereby agrees to provide all services under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted professional practices and standards of care, as well as the requirements of applicable federal, state and local laws, it being understood that acceptance of Consultant's work by Commission

shall not operate as a waiver or release. If Commission determines that any of Consultant's work is not in accordance with such level of competency and standard of care, Commission, in its sole discretion, shall have the right to do any or all of the following: (a) require Consultant to meet with Commission to review the quality of the work and resolve matters of concern; (b) require Consultant to repeat the work at no additional charge until it is satisfactory; (c) terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of <u>Article 4</u>; or (d) pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity.

1.4. <u>Assigned Personnel</u>.

- a. Consultant shall assign only competent personnel to perform work hereunder. In the event that at any time Commission, in its sole discretion, desires the removal of any person or persons assigned by Consultant to perform work hereunder, Consultant shall remove such person or persons immediately upon receiving written notice from Commission.
- b. Any and all persons identified in this Agreement or any exhibit hereto as the project manager, project team, or other professional performing work hereunder are deemed by Commission to be key personnel whose services were a material inducement to Commission to enter into this Agreement, and without whose services Commission would not have entered into this Agreement. Consultant shall not remove, replace, substitute, or otherwise change any key personnel without the prior written consent of Commission.
- c. In the event that any of Consultant's personnel assigned to perform services under this Agreement become unavailable due to resignation, sickness or other factors outside of Consultant's control, Consultant shall be responsible for timely provision of adequately qualified replacements.

2. <u>Payment</u>.

For all services and incidental costs required hereunder, Consultant shall be paid on a time and material/expense basis in accordance with the budget set forth in Exhibit __, provided, however, that total payments to Consultant shall not exceed \$_____ without the prior written approval of Commission. Consultant shall submit its bills in arrears on a monthly basis in a form approved by Commission. The bills shall show or include: (i) the task(s) performed; (ii) the time in quarter hours devoted to the task(s); (iii) the hourly rate or rates of the persons performing the task(s); and (iv) copies of receipts for reimbursable materials/expenses, if any. Expenses not expressly authorized by the Agreement shall not be reimbursed.

Unless otherwise noted in this Agreement, payments shall be made within the normal course of Commission business after presentation of an invoice in a form approved by the Commission for services performed. Payments shall be made only upon the satisfactory completion of the services as determined by the Commission.

Pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation code (R&TC) Section 18662, the Commission shall withhold seven percent of the income paid to Consultant for services performed within the

State of California under this agreement, for payment and reporting to the California Franchise Tax Board, if Consultant does not qualify as: (1) a corporation with its principal place of business in California, (2) an LLC or Partnership with a permanent place of business in California, (3) a corporation/LLC or Partnership qualified to do business in California by the Secretary of State, or (4) an individual with a permanent residence in the State of California.

If Consultant does not qualify, Commission requires that a completed and signed Form 587 be provided by the Consultant in order for payments to be made. If Consultant is qualified, then the Commission requires a completed Form 590. Forms 587 and 590 remain valid for the duration of the Agreement provided there is no material change in facts. By signing either form, the Consultant agrees to promptly notify the Commission of any changes in the facts. Forms should be sent to the Commission pursuant to <u>Article 12</u>. To reduce the amount withheld, Consultant has the option to provide Commission with either a full or partial waiver from the State of California.

CFDA/FEDERAL FUNDS-STATE FUNDING

2.[] <u>Payment</u>. All or part of this Agreement will be paid with Federal awards. As a passthrough entity, the Commission is required to provide certain information regarding Federal award(s) to Consultant as a sub recipient. In signing this Agreement, Consultant acknowledges receipt of the following information regarding Federal award(s) that will be used to pay this Agreement:

CFDA Title: CFDA Number: Award Name: Award Number: Award Year: Federal Agency: Pass-Through Agency: Federal Tax Identification Number:

As a sub recipient of Federal awards, Consultant is subject to the provisions of Office of Management and Budget Guidance for Grants and Agreements found at 2 CFR Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards)* (hereinafter "2 CFR Part 200"). In signing this Agreement, Consultant acknowledges that it understands and will comply with the provisions of 2 CFR Part 200. One provision of 2 CFR Part 200 requires a sub recipient that expends \$750,000 in Federal awards during its fiscal year to have a single audit performed in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200. If such an audit is required, Consultant agrees to provide Commission with a copy of the audit report within the earlier of 30 calendar days after receipt of the auditor's report(s), or nine months after the

Consultant's fiscal year end. Questions regarding 2 CFR Part 200 can be directed to the Sonoma County Auditor-controller Treasurer-Tax Collector's Office – General Accounting Division.

3. <u>Term of Agreement</u>. The term of this Agreement shall be from September 1, 2020 to August 31, 2023 unless terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of <u>Article 4</u> below.

4. <u>Termination</u>.

4.1. <u>Termination Without Cause</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, at any time and without cause, Commission shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate this Agreement by giving 5 days written notice to Consultant.

4.2. <u>Termination for Cause</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, should Consultant fail to perform any of its obligations hereunder, within the time and in the manner herein provided, or otherwise violate any of the terms of this Agreement, Commission may immediately terminate this Agreement by giving Consultant written notice of such termination, stating the reason for termination.

4.3. Delivery of Work Product and Final Payment Upon Termination.

In the event of termination, Consultant, within 14 days following the date of termination, shall deliver to Commission all reports, original drawings, graphics, plans, studies, and other data or documents, in whatever form or format, assembled or prepared by Consultant or Consultant's subcontractors, consultants, and other agents in connection with this Agreement and shall submit to Commission an invoice showing the services performed, hours worked, and copies of receipts for reimbursable expenses up to the date of termination.

4.4. <u>Payment Upon Termination</u>. Upon termination of this Agreement by Commission, Consultant shall be entitled to receive as full payment for all services satisfactorily rendered and reimbursable expenses properly incurred hereunder, an amount which bears the same ratio to the total payment specified in the Agreement as the services satisfactorily rendered hereunder by Consultant bear to the total services otherwise required to be performed for such total payment; provided, however, that if services which have been satisfactorily rendered are to be paid on a per-hour or per-day basis, Consultant shall be entitled to receive as full payment an amount equal to the number of hours or days actually worked prior to the termination times the applicable hourly or daily rate; and further provided, however, that if Commission terminates the Agreement for cause pursuant to <u>Section 4.2</u>, Commission shall deduct from such amount the amount of damage, if any, sustained by Commission by virtue of the breach of the Agreement by Consultant.

4.5. <u>Authority to Terminate</u>. The Commission's Executive Director, in consultation with County Counsel, has the authority to terminate this Agreement on behalf of the Commission.

5. <u>Indemnification</u>. Consultant agrees to accept all responsibility for loss or damage to any person or entity, including Commission, and to indemnify, hold harmless, and release Commission and the County of Sonoma, its officers, agents, and employees, from and against

any actions, claims, damages, liabilities, disabilities, or expenses, that may be asserted by any person or entity, including Consultant, that arise out of, pertain to, or relate to Consultant's or its agents', employees', contractors', subcontractors', or invitees' performance or obligations under this Agreement. Consultant agrees to provide a complete defense for any claim or action brought against Commission based upon a claim relating to such Consultant's or its agents', employees', contractors', or invitees' performance or obligations under this Agreement. Consultant so bligations under this Section apply whether or not there is concurrent or contributory negligence on Commission's part, but to the extent required by law, excluding liability due to Commission's conduct. Commission shall have the right to select its legal counsel at Consultant's expense, subject to Consultant's approval, which shall not be unreasonably withheld. This indemnification obligation is not limited in any way by any limitation on the amount or type of damages or compensation payable to or for Consultant or its agents under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts.

6. <u>Insurance</u>. With respect to performance of work under this Agreement, Consultant shall maintain and shall require all of its subcontractors, consultants, and other agents to maintain, insurance as described in Exhibit C, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

7. <u>Prosecution of Work</u>. The execution of this Agreement shall constitute Consultant's authority to proceed immediately with the performance of this Agreement. Performance of the services hereunder shall be completed within the time required herein, provided, however, that if the performance is delayed by earthquake, flood, high water, or other Act of God or by strike, lockout, or similar labor disturbances, the time for Consultant's performance of this Agreement shall be extended by a number of days equal to the number of days Consultant has been delayed.

8. <u>Extra or Changed Work</u>. Extra or changed work or other changes to the Agreement may be authorized only by written amendment to this Agreement, signed by both parties. Changes which do not exceed the delegated signature authority of the Commission may be executed by the Executive Director in a form approved by County Counsel. The Board of Commissioners must authorize all other extra or changed work which exceeds the delegated signature authority of the Department Head. The parties expressly recognize that, pursuant to Sonoma County Code Section 1-11, Commission personnel are without authorization to order extra or changed work or waive Agreement requirements. Failure of Consultant to secure such written authorization for extra or changed work shall constitute a waiver of any and all right to adjustment in the Agreement price or Agreement time due to such unauthorized work and thereafter Consultant further expressly waives any and all right or remedy by way of restitution and quantum meruit for any and all extra work performed without such express and prior written authorization of the Commission.

9. <u>Content Online Accessibility</u>. Commission and County policy requires that all documents that may be published to the Web meet accessibility standards to the greatest extent possible, and utilizing available existing technologies.

9.1. <u>Standards</u>. All consultants responsible for preparing content intended for use or publication on a Commission-managed or Commission-funded web site must comply with

applicable Federal accessibility standards established by 36 C.F.R. Section 1194, pursuant to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794(d)), and the County's Web Site Accessibility Policy located at <u>http://webstandards.sonoma-county.org</u>.

9.2. <u>Certification</u>. Consultants must complete the Document Accessibility Certification Form attached hereto as Exhibit ____ which shall describe how all deliverable documents were assessed for accessibility (e.g. Microsoft Word accessibility check; Adobe Acrobat accessibility check, or other commonly accepted compliance check).

9.3. <u>Alternate Format</u>. When it is strictly impossible due to the unavailability of technologies required to produce an accessible document, Consultant shall identify the anticipated accessibility deficiency prior to commencement of any work to produce such deliverables. Consultant agrees to cooperate with Commission staff in the development of alternate document formats to maximize the facilitative features of the impacted document(s), e.g. embedding the document with alt-tags that describe complex data/tables.

9.4. <u>Noncompliant Materials; Obligation to Cure</u>. Remediation of any materials that do not comply with County's Web Site Accessibility Policy shall be the responsibility of Consultant. If Commission and/or County, in its sole and absolute discretion, determines that any deliverable intended for use or publication on any Commission-managed or Commission-funded Web site does not comply with County Accessibility Standards, Commission and/or County will promptly inform Consultant in writing. Upon such notice, Consultant shall, without charge to Commission and/or County, repair or replace the non-compliant materials within such period of time as specified by Commission and/or County in writing. If the required repair or replacement is not completed within the time specified, Commission and/or County shall have the right to do any or all of the following, without prejudice to Commission and/or County's right to pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity:

- a. Cancel any delivery or task order;
- b. Terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Article 4; and/or
- c. In the case of custom Electronic Information Technology (EIT) developed by Consultant for Commission, Commission may have any necessary changes or repairs performed by itself or by another contractor. In such event, contractor shall be liable for all expenses incurred by Commission in connection with such changes or repairs.

9.5. <u>Commission's Rights Reserved</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Commission may accept deliverables that are not strictly compliant with County Accessibility Standards if Commission, in its sole and absolute discretion, determines that acceptance of such products or services is in Commission's best interest.

10. <u>Representations of Consultant</u>.

10.1. <u>Standard of Care</u>. Commission has relied upon the professional ability and training of Consultant as a material inducement to enter into this Agreement. Consultant hereby agrees that all its work will be performed and that its operations shall be conducted in accordance

with generally accepted and applicable professional practices and standards as well as the requirements of applicable federal, state and local laws, it being understood that acceptance of Consultant's work by Commission shall not operate as a waiver or release.

10.2. <u>Status of Consultant</u>. The parties intend that Consultant, in performing the services specified herein, shall act as an independent contractor and shall control the work and the manner in which it is performed. Consultant is not to be considered an agent or employee of Commission and is not entitled to participate in any pension plan, worker's compensation plan, insurance, bonus, or similar benefits Commission provides its employees. In the event Commission exercises its right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to <u>Article 4</u>, above, Consultant expressly agrees that it shall have no recourse or right of appeal under rules, regulations, ordinances, or laws applicable to employees.

10.3. <u>No Suspension or Debarment</u>. Consultant warrants that it is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in covered transactions by any federal department or agency. Consultant also warrants that it is not suspended or debarred from receiving federal funds as listed in the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement Programs issued by the General Services Administration. If the Consultant becomes debarred, consultant has the obligation to inform the Commission.

10.4. <u>Taxes</u>. Consultant agrees to file federal and state tax returns and pay all applicable taxes on amounts paid pursuant to this Agreement and shall be solely liable and responsible to pay such taxes and other obligations, including, but not limited to, state and federal income and FICA taxes. Consultant agrees to indemnify and hold Commission harmless from any liability which it may incur to the United States or to the State of California as a consequence of Consultant's failure to pay, when due, all such taxes and obligations. In case Commission is audited for compliance regarding any withholding or other applicable taxes, Consultant agrees to furnish Commission with proof of payment of taxes on these earnings.

10.5. <u>Records Maintenance</u>. Consultant shall keep and maintain full and complete documentation and accounting records concerning all services performed that are compensable under this Agreement and shall make such documents and records available to Commission for inspection at any reasonable time. Consultant shall maintain such records for a period of four (4) years following completion of work hereunder.

10.6. <u>Conflict of Interest</u>. Consultant covenants that it presently has no interest and that it will not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, that represents a financial conflict of interest under state law or that would otherwise conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of its services hereunder. Consultant further covenants that in the performance of this Agreement no person having any such interests shall be employed. In addition, if requested to do so by Commission, Consultant shall complete and file and shall require any other person doing work under this Agreement to complete and file a "Statement of Economic Interest" with Commission disclosing Consultant's or such other person's financial interests.

10.7. <u>Statutory Compliance/Living Wage Ordinance</u>. Consultant agrees to comply, and to ensure compliance by its subconsultants or subcontractors, with all applicable federal, state

and local laws, regulations, statutes and policies, including but not limited to the County of Sonoma Living Wage Ordinance, applicable to the services provided under this Agreement as they exist now and as they are changed, amended or modified during the term of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Consultant expressly acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement is subject to the provisions of Article XXVI of Chapter 2 of the Sonoma County Code, requiring payment of a living wage to covered employees. Noncompliance during the term of the Agreement will be considered a material breach and may result in termination of the Agreement or pursuit of other legal or administrative remedies.

10.8. <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. Without limiting any other provision hereunder, Consultant shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in regard to nondiscrimination in employment because of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religious creed, belief or grooming, sex (including sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, transgender, pregnancy, childbirth, medical conditions related to pregnancy, childbirth or breast feeding), marital status, age, medical condition, physical or mental disability, genetic information, military or veteran status, or any other legally protected category or prohibited basis, including without limitation, the Commission's Non-Discrimination Policy and Executive Order 11246, Equal Employment Opportunity. All nondiscrimination rules or regulations required by law to be included in this Agreement are incorporated herein by this reference.

10.9. Title VI Discrimination. Consultant assures that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 24 CFR Part 1, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in the performance of any services in this Agreement. Such discrimination includes, but it not limited to, a failure to provide sufficient language services to participants with Limited English Proficiency.

10.10. Section 504 Discrimination. Consultant shall comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and 24 CFR Part 8, which provides in part that no otherwise qualified individual shall be denied the opportunity to participate in a program or activity because of their disability, may not be required to accept a different kind or lesser program or service than what is provided to others without disabilities, may not be denied access to locations where services are offered because of physical impairments, and may not be required to participate in separate programs and services from those available to persons without disabilities. Generally, an otherwise qualified individual with a disability shall not, solely by reason of a disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in the performance of any services in this Agreement.

10.11. <u>AIDS Discrimination</u>. Consultant agrees to comply with the provisions of Chapter 19, Article II, of the Sonoma County Code prohibiting discrimination in housing, employment, and services because of AIDS or HIV infection during the term of this Agreement and any extensions of the term.

10.12. <u>Assignment of Rights</u>. Consultant assigns to Commission all rights throughout the world in perpetuity in the nature of copyright, trademark, patent, right to ideas, in and to all versions of the plans and specifications, if any, now or later prepared by Consultant in connection with this Agreement. Consultant agrees to take such actions as are necessary to

protect the rights assigned to Commission in this Agreement, and to refrain from taking any action which would impair those rights. Consultant's responsibilities under this provision include, but are not limited to, placing proper notice of copyright on all versions of the plans and specifications as Commission may direct, and refraining from disclosing any versions of the plans and specifications to any third party without first obtaining written permission of Commission. Consultant shall not use or permit another to use the plans and specifications in connection with this or any other project without first obtaining written permission of Commission.

10.13. <u>Ownership and Disclosure of Work Product</u>. All reports, original drawings, graphics, plans, studies, and other data or documents ("documents"), in whatever form or format, assembled or prepared by Consultant or Consultant's subcontractors, consultants, and other agents in connection with this Agreement shall be the property of Commission. Commission shall be entitled to immediate possession of such documents upon completion of the work pursuant to this Agreement. Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement, Consultant shall promptly deliver to Commission all such documents, which have not already been provided to Commission in such form or format, as Commission deems appropriate. Such documents shall be and will remain the property of Commission without restriction or limitation. Consultant may retain copies of the above- described documents but agrees not to disclose or discuss any information gathered, discovered, or generated in any way through this Agreement without the express written permission of Commission.

10.14. <u>Authority</u>. The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that he or she has authority to execute and deliver this Agreement on behalf of Consultant.

11. <u>Demand for Assurance</u>. Each party to this Agreement undertakes the obligation that the other's expectation of receiving due performance will not be impaired. When reasonable grounds for insecurity arise with respect to the performance of either party, the other may in writing demand adequate assurance of due performance and until such assurance is received may, if commercially reasonable, suspend any performance for which the agreed return has not been received. "Commercially reasonable" includes not only the conduct of a party with respect to performance under this Agreement, but also conduct with respect to other agreements with parties to this Agreement or others. After receipt of a justified demand, failure to provide within a reasonable time, but not exceeding thirty (30) days, such assurance of due performance as is adequate under the circumstances of the particular case is a repudiation of this Agreement. Acceptance of any improper delivery, service, or payment does not prejudice the aggrieved party's right to demand adequate assurance of future performance. Nothing in this Article limits Commission's right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to <u>Article 4</u>.

12. <u>Assignment and Delegation</u>. Neither party hereto shall assign, delegate, sublet, or transfer any interest in or duty under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other, and no such transfer shall be of any force or effect whatsoever unless and until the other party shall have so consented.

13. <u>Method and Place of Giving Notice, Submitting Bills and Making Payments</u>. All notices, bills, and payments shall be made in writing and shall be given by personal delivery or by U.S. Mail or courier service. Notices, bills, and payments shall be addressed as follows:

TO COMMISSION:	Sonoma County Community Development Commission ATTN: Kirsten Larsen 1440 Guerneville Road
	Santa Rosa, CA 95403
	Fax: (707) 565-7583
	Email: Kirsten.Larsen@sonoma-county.org
TO CONSULTANT:	Consultant name
	ATTN:
	Address
	Email:

When a notice, bill or payment is given by a generally recognized overnight courier service, the notice, bill or payment shall be deemed received on the next business day. When a copy of a notice, bill or payment is sent by facsimile or email, the notice, bill or payment shall be deemed received upon transmission as long as (1) the original copy of the notice, bill or payment is promptly deposited in the U.S. mail and postmarked on the date of the facsimile or email (for a payment, on or before the due date), (2) the sender has a written confirmation of the facsimile transmission or email, and (3) the facsimile or email is transmitted before 5 p.m. (recipient's time). In all other instances, notices, bills and payments shall be effective upon receipt by the recipient. Changes may be made in the names and addresses of the person to whom notices are to be given by giving notice pursuant to this paragraph.

14. <u>Miscellaneous Provisions</u>.

14.1. <u>No Waiver of Breach</u>. The waiver by Commission of any breach of any term or promise contained in this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of such term or provision or any subsequent breach of the same or any other term or promise contained in this Agreement.

14.2. <u>Construction</u>. To the fullest extent allowed by law, the provisions of this Agreement shall be construed and given effect in a manner that avoids any violation of statute, ordinance, regulation, or law. The parties covenant and agree that in the event that any provision of this Agreement is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions hereof shall remain in full force and effect and shall in no way be affected, impaired, or invalidated thereby. Consultant and Commission acknowledge that they have each contributed to the making of this Agreement and that, in the event of a dispute over the interpretation of this Agreement, the language of the Agreement will not be construed against one party in favor of the other. Consultant and Commission

acknowledge that they have each had an adequate opportunity to consult with counsel in the negotiation and preparation of this Agreement.

14.3. <u>Consent</u>. Wherever in this Agreement the consent or approval of one party is required to an act of the other party, such consent or approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

14.4. <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to create and the parties do not intend to create any rights in third parties.

14.5. <u>Applicable Law and Forum</u>. This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted according to the substantive law of California, regardless of the law of conflicts to the contrary in any jurisdiction. Any action to enforce the terms of this Agreement or for the breach thereof shall be brought and tried in Santa Rosa or the forum nearest to the city of Santa Rosa, in the County of Sonoma.

14.6. <u>Captions</u>. The captions in this Agreement are solely for convenience of reference. They are not a part of this Agreement and shall have no effect on its construction or interpretation.

14.7. <u>Merger</u>. This writing is intended both as the final expression of the Agreement between the parties hereto with respect to the included terms and as a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of the Agreement, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 1856. Each Party acknowledges that, in entering into this Agreement, it has not relied on any representation or undertaking, whether oral or in writing, other than those which are expressly set forth in this Agreement. No modification of this Agreement shall be effective unless and until such modification is evidenced by a writing signed by both parties.

14.8. <u>Survival of Terms</u>. All express representations, waivers, indemnifications, and limitations of liability included in this Agreement will survive its completion or termination for any reason.

14.9. <u>Time of Essence</u>. Time is and shall be of the essence of this Agreement and every provision hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date.

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SIGNATURES BEGIN ON NEXT PAGE

CONSULTANT

Dated:	By: Name: Title:
	SONOMA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Dated:	By: Barbie Robinson, Interim Executive Director
	CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE ON FILE WITH AND APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE BY THE COMMISSION
Dated:	By: Barbie Robinson, Interim Executive Director
	APPROVED AS TO FORM
Dated:	By:Alegría De La Cruz, Chief Deputy County Counsel
Dated:	By: Chair, Board of Commissioners ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Commissioners

Exhibit A: Scope of Services

Background

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership (HOME), and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funding to the Commission on behalf of the County of Sonoma, the recipient, to administer programs to assist low- and moderate-income individuals and households throughout Sonoma County. Through an annual funding cycle, the Commission advertises the availability of the funds and receives proposals from non-profit organizations and units of local government. The Commission makes recommendations to the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors for funding approval.

All projects or programs approved for funding must meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act and 24 CFR Part 58, HUD Environmental Review Regulations, before the Commission may enter into an agreement to provide funding to the subrecipient or another awardee.

Services

Consultant shall determine the appropriate level of environmental review required for projects approved for HUD funding.

Consultant shall compile all information necessary to complete the proper Environmental Review Record, including consultations with the party receiving the federal funding, as well as other governmental agencies and private enterprises as may be required.

Consultant shall submit to Commission a written, complete, and comprehensive Environmental Review Record using the format prescribed by HUD at 24 CFR 58.

Schedule

Consultant may proceed with completion of the Environmental Review Record upon Commission's approval of the timeline submitted by the Consultant and Commission's issuance of a written Notice to Proceed specifying the authorized activities, the time frame for completion of the work and the approved cost. Consultant, through dialogue with the entity receiving funds for the project and with Commission staff, shall determine the projected start date for the project and complete the Environmental Review Record at least thirty days prior to the commencement of the project. Any project delays caused by the action or inaction of the Consultant shall be considered a failure to meet the obligations of this Agreement and shall be grounds for Termination as described in Section 4.

Additional Services

As Commission may authorize from time to time in a written Notice to Proceed, Consultant shall perform specific additional services and shall prepare and submit a written report upon completion of the authorized services. Such additional services may include, but are not limited

to, Phase 1 and Phase 2 soil contamination reports, performance of the 8-Step Decision Making Process for projects located in special flood hazard areas, and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement.

If additional services are requested, Consultant shall provide Commission a written proposal describing the scope of the services, the timeline for completion of the work and the cost to complete the additional services. Consultant may commence these services upon receipt of an amended written Notice to Proceed.