

RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 14

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL OF HST UTILITY, INC. PERTAINING TO CONTRACT 25-C-00038 CITYWIDE WATER METER REPLACEMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,870,541; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TAMPA TO EXECUTE SAID CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF TAMPA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2025, the City of Tampa ("City") received bids, tabulation of such bids being hereto attached for informational purposes, for the construction of Citywide Water Meter Replacement, and recommends to City Council of the City of Tampa ("City Council") that the proposal of HST Utility, Inc. be accepted, funds therefore being available in the appropriate account; and

WHEREAS, City of Tampa Code Section 4-3(a)(1) requires that funding for the Public Art Program come from one (1) percent of the construction cost of a municipal building project as bid, contracted and accepted by the City; and

WHEREAS, the Public Art Program determined that the proposed work required in Contract 25-C-00038 Citywide Water Meter Replacement ("Contract") is not subject to City of Tampa Code Section 4-3(a)(1) as the work does not involve the construction of a municipal building project.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The proposal of HST Utility, Inc. ("Contractor") in the total amount of \$2,870,541 for construction of the Citywide Water Meter Replacement, ("Project"), in accordance with plans, specifications and other related contract documents prepared by the Contract Administration Department, is hereby approved and accepted; and the Contract attached hereto in its entirety or in substantially similar form is hereby approved and awarded to the said Contractor.

Section 2. This resolution, which is not part of the contract documents, authorizes the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest and affix the official seal of the City of Tampa to the Contract for and on behalf of the City of Tampa.

Section 3. Plans, specifications and contract documents for the construction of said Project, which documents are now on file in the office of the Contract Administration Department of the City of Tampa, are hereby approved in their entirety or in substantially similar form.

Section 4. The Director of the Contract Administration Department is hereby authorized to issue, in written form only, work directive changes authorizing additions, deletions or revisions resulting from unforeseen conditions or emergencies, said directives to be incorporated in subsequently issued change orders approved by the City Council.

Section 5. Any and all technical errors, informalities and irregularities in the proposal of the Contractor are hereby waived.

Section 6. The bid security of the bidders shall be returned in accordance with the provisions of the contract documents for this Project.

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Section 7. This resolution provides for an agreement in the amount of \$2,870,541 between the City of Tampa and HST Utility, Inc. for Citywide Water Meter Replacement for use by the Water Department within the Water Operations Fund.

Section 8. The City Clerk of the City of Tampa shall file a fully executed copy of the Contract in the official records of the City of Tampa as maintained by the Office of the City Clerk.

Section 9. Other proper officers of the City of Tampa are authorized to do all things necessary and proper in order to carry out and make effective the provisions of this resolution, which shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA ON
JAN 08 2026.



CHAIR/CHAIR PRO-TEM, CITY COUNCIL

APPROVED AS BY FORM:

Justin R. Vaske e/s
Justin R. Vaske, Sr. Assistant City Attorney

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK/DEPUTY CITY CLERK

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Affiant further says that the website or newspaper complies with all legal requirements for publication in chapter 50, Florida Statutes. Affiant further says the said Tampa Bay Times is a newspaper published in Hillsborough County, Florida and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Hillsborough County, Florida each day and has been entered as a second class mail matter at the post office in said Hillsborough County, Florida for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement, and affiant further says that he/she neither paid nor promised any person, firm or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.



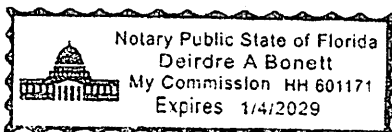
Signature of Affiant _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this **08/13/2025**

Signature of Notary of Public

Personally known ☒ or produced identification.

Type of identification produced _____



**City of Tampa
BID TABULATION**

25-C-00038; Citywide Water Meter Replacement

Bid Opening - October 07, 2025

Posted October 07, 2025

CONTRACTOR	TOTAL BID AMOUNT
HST Utility, Inc.	\$2,870,541.00
Olameter Corporation *Rejected for Alterations	\$3,628,767.29
Professional Meters, Inc.	\$3,828,711.35
Vanguard Utility Services, Inc.	\$3,836,536.00
National Metering Services, Inc.	\$4,077,996.33
RTS Water Solutions LLC	\$4,450,520.46
Carl Hankins, Inc.	\$4,628,330.00
Dallas 1 Corporation dba Dallas I Construction and Development	\$10,524,048.00

Notice of Intent to Award: Unless subsequently indicated otherwise, in a revised posting, the City of Tampa intends to award the referenced project to the lowest bidder listed in this tabulation. A bidder aggrieved by this decision may file a protest not later than 4:30 P.M., five (5) business days from the first posting hereof, pursuant to City of Tampa Code Chapter 2, Article V, Division 3, Section 2-282, Procurement Protest Procedures. Protests not conforming therewith shall not be reviewed.

Bids Received By: Jim Greiner

Jim Greiner, P.E.
City of Tampa - Contract Administration Department
306 E. Jackson Street - 4N
Tampa, FL 33602

AGREEMENT

For furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment, together with all work incidental thereto, necessary and required for the performance of the work for the construction of Citywide Water Meter Replacement in accordance with your Proposal dated October 7, 2025, for the total amount of \$2,870,541 as computed in accordance with subsections I-2.09 and I-2.10 of the Instructions to Bidders.

This AGREEMENT, made and entered into in triplicate, between the City of Tampa, Florida, hereinafter called the CITY, and
HST Utility, Inc. hereinafter called the Contractor, as of the _____ day of _____, 2025 when the City Council of the City of Tampa, Florida adopted a Resolution authorizing, among other things, the Mayor's execution of this Agreement.

WITNESSETH that, in consideration of the mutual stipulations, agreements, and covenants herein to be kept, paid, and performed, the parties hereto agree for themselves, their successors and assigns, as follows:

Contract 25-C-00038; Citywide Water Meter Replacement, shall include, but not be limited to, Work shall include but not be limited to furnishing all services, labor, equipment and materials necessary for a complete removal and installation of domestic and/or irrigation water meters, meter boxes, meter box covers, re-setters and curb stops; providing meter box GPS coordinates; restoration of grassed areas; and provision of safety barricades in paved areas. The City will provide the meters, boxes, lids, curb stops, meter couplings, and re-setters. All other materials are to be provided by the Contractor with all associated work required for a complete project in accordance with the Contract Documents. with all associated work required for a complete project in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Contract Documents referred to in Article 1.01 of this Agreement also includes this volume, applicable standard drawings, the plans and any provisions referred to whether actually attached or not.

TAMPA AGREEMENT

SECTION 1 GENERAL ARTICLE 1.01 THE CONTRACT

Except for titles, subtitles, headings, running headlines, and tables of contents (all of which are printed herein merely for convenience), the following, except for such portions thereof as may be specifically excluded, constitute the Contract:

The Notice to Bidders;
The Instructions to Bidders, including Special Instructions and General Instructions;
The Proposal;
The Bid Bond;
The Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities;
The Notice of Award;
The Agreement;
The Performance Bond;
The Notice To Proceed;
The Specifications, including the General Provisions, the Workmanship and Materials, the Specific Provisions or the Contract Items
The Plans;
All Supplementary Drawings Issued after award of the Contract;
All Addenda issued by the City prior to the receipt of proposals;
All provisions required by law to be inserted in this Contract, whether actually inserted or not.

ARTICLE 1.02 DEFINITIONS

The following words and terms, or pronouns used in their stead, shall, wherever they appear in this Contract, be construed as follows, unless different meaning is clear from the context:

(a)"City" shall mean the City of Tampa, Florida, represented by its Mayor and City Council, Party of the First Part, or such other City official as shall be duly empowered to act for the City on matters relating to this Contract.

(b)"Contractor" shall mean the Party of the Second Part hereto, whether corporation, firm or individual, or any combination thereof, and its, their, or his successors, personal representatives, executors, administrators, and assigns, and any person, firm or corporation who or which shall at any time be substituted in the place of the Party of the Second Part under this Contract.

(c)"Engineer" shall mean the Director of the Department or his duly authorized representative.

(d)"Consultant" shall mean the engineering or architectural firm or individual employed by the City to consult with and advise the City in the construction of the project.

(e)"Surety" shall mean any person, firm or corporation that has executed as Surety the Contractor's Performance Bond securing the performance of this Contract.

(f)"The Work" shall mean everything expressly or implied required to be furnished and done by the Contractor under the Contract, and shall include both Contract Work and Extra Work.

(g)"Contract Work" shall mean everything expressly or implied required to be furnished and done by the Contractor by any one or more of the Contract parts referred to in Article 1.01 hereof, except Extra Work, as hereinafter defined; it being understood that, in case of any inconsistency in or between any part or parts of this Contract, the Engineer shall determine which shall prevail.

(h)"Contract" or "Contract Documents" shall mean each of the various part of the Contract referred to in Article 1.01 hereof, both as a whole and severally.

(i)"Extra Work" shall mean work other than that required either expressly or implied by the contract in its present form.

(j)"Plans" shall mean only those drawings specifically referred to as such in these documents, or in any Addendum. Drawings issued after the execution of the Contract to explain further, or to illustrate, or to show changes in the work, will be known as "Supplementary Drawings" and shall be binding upon the Contractor with the same force as the Plans.

(k)"Specifications" shall mean all of the directions, requirements, and standards of performance applying to the work, as hereinafter detailed and designated as such, or which may be issued in an addendum.

(l)"Addendum or Addenda" shall mean the additional contract provisions issued in writing prior to the receipt of bids.

(m)"Notice" shall mean written notice. Notice shall be served upon the Contractor, either personally or by leaving the said notice at his residence or with any employee found on the work, or addressed to the Contractor at the residence or place of business given in his proposal and deposited in a postpaid wrapper in any post office box regularly maintained by the United States Post Office.

(n)"Project" shall mean the entire improvement package or related work. The "project" may consist of several different, but related, contracts.

(o)"Site" shall mean, and be limited to, the area upon or in which the Contractor's operations are carried on and such other appropriate areas as may be designed as such by the Engineer.

(p)"Subcontractor" shall mean any person, firm, or corporation, other than employees of the Contractor, who or which contracts with the Contractor to furnish, or actually furnishes labor, or labor and materials, or labor and equipment or labor, materials, and equipment at the site.

(q)Whenever in the Contract the words "directed", "required", "permitted", "ordered", "designated", "prescribed", and words of like import are used, they shall imply the direction, requirement, permission, order, designation, or prescription of the Engineer; and "approved", "acceptable", "satisfactory", "in the judgement of", and words of like import shall mean approved by, or acceptable to, or satisfactory to, or in the judgment of the Engineer.

(r)Whenever in the Contract the word "day" is used, it shall mean calendar day.

(s)"Final Acceptance" shall mean acceptance of the work as evidenced by an official resolution of the City. Such acceptance shall be deemed to have taken place only if and when an approving resolution has been adopted by the City

Council. The final acceptance shall be signed only after the City has assured itself by tests, inspection, or otherwise, that all of the provisions of the Contract have been carried out to its satisfaction.

(t)"Eastern Standard Time" shall be construed as the time being observed in the City on the day proposals are received or other documents issued or signed.

SECTION 2

POWERS OF THE CITY'S REPRESENTATIVES

ARTICLE 2.01 THE ENGINEER

It is covenanted and agreed that the Engineer, in addition to those matters elsewhere herein expressly made subject to his determination, direction, or approval, shall have the power, subject to such express provisions and limitations herein contained as are not in conflict herewith, and subject to review by the Mayor and City Council: (a)To monitor the performance of the work.

(b)To determine the amount, kind, quality, sequence, and location of the work to be paid for hereunder and, when completed, to measure such work for payment.

(c)To determine all questions of an engineering character in relation to the work, to interpret the Plans, Specifications and Addenda.

(d)To determine how the work of this Contract shall be coordinated with the work of other contractors engaged simultaneously on this project.

(e)To make minor changes in the work as he deems necessary, provided such changes do not result in a net increase in the cost to the City or to the Contractor of the work to be done under the Contract.

(f)To amplify the Plans, add explanatory information and furnish additional Specifications and Drawings consistent with the intent of the Contract Documents.

The power of the Engineer shall not be limited to the foregoing enumeration, for it is the intent of this Contract that all of the work shall be subject to his determinations and approval, except where the determination or approval of someone other than the Engineer is expressly called for herein and except as subject to review by the Mayor and City Council. All orders of the Engineer requiring the Contractor to perform work as Contract work shall be promptly obeyed by the Contractor.

The Engineer shall not, however, have the power to issue an extra work order, and the performance of such work on the order of the Engineer without previously obtaining written confirmation thereof from the Mayor in accordance with Article 7.02 hereof may constitute a waiver of any right to extra compensation therefor. The Contractor is warned that the Engineer has no power to change the terms and provisions of this Contract, except minor changes where such change results in no net increase in the Contract Price.

ARTICLE 2.02 DIRECTOR

The Director of the Department in addition to those matters expressly made subject to his determination, direction or

approval in his capacity as "Engineer", shall also have the power:

(a)To review any and all questions in relation to this Contract and its performance, except as herein otherwise specifically provided, and his determination upon such review shall be final and conclusive upon the Contractor. (b)With the approval of the Mayor and City Council to authorize modifications or changes in the Contract so as to require: (1) the performance of extra work, or (2) the omission of Contract work whenever he deems it in the interest of the City to do so, or both.

(c)To suspend the whole or any part of the work whenever, in his judgment, such suspension is required: (1) in the interest of the City generally, or (2) to coordinate the work of the various Contractors engaged on this project, or (3) to expedite the completion of the entire project, even though the completion of this particular Contract may be thereby delayed, without compensation to the Contractor for such suspension other than extending the time for the completion of the work, as much as it may have been, in the opinion of the City, delayed by such a suspension.

(d)If, before the final acceptance of all the work contemplated herein, it shall be deemed necessary to take over, use, occupy, or operate any part of the completed or partly completed work, the Engineer shall have the right to do so and the Contractor will not, in any way, interfere with or object to the use, occupation, or operation of such work by the City after receipt of notice in writing from the Engineer that such work or part thereof will be used by the City on and after the date specified in such notice. Such taking over, use, occupancy or operation of any part of the completed or partially completed work shall not constitute final acceptance or approval of any such part of the work.

ARTICLE 2.03 NO ESTOPPEL

The City shall not, nor shall any department, officer, agent, or employee thereof, be bound, precluded, or estopped by any determination, decision, acceptance, return, certificate, or payment made or given under or in connection with this Contract by any officer, agent or employee of the City at any time either before or after final completion and acceptance of the work and payment therefor: (a) from showing the true and correct classification, amount, quality, or character of the work done, or that any determination, decision, acceptance, return certificate or payment is untrue, incorrect or improperly made in any particular, or that the work or any part thereof does not in fact conform to the requirements of the Contract Documents, and (b) from demanding and recovering from the Contractor any overpayments made to him or such damages as it may sustain by reason his failure to comply with the requirements of the Contract of Documents, or both.

ARTICLE 2.04 NO WAIVER OF RIGHTS

Neither the inspection, nor any order, measurements or certificate of the City or its employees, officers, or agents, nor by any order of the City for payment of money, nor any money, nor payments for or acceptance of the whole or any part of the work by the City, nor any extension of time, nor any changes in the Contract, Specifications or Plans, nor any possession by the City or its employees shall operate as a

waiver of any provisions of this Contract, nor any power herein provided nor shall any waiver of any breach of this Contract be held as a waiver of any other subsequent breach.

Any remedy provided in this Contract shall be taken and construed as cumulative, namely, in addition to each and every other suit, action, or legal proceeding. The City shall be entitled as of right to an injunction against any breach of the provisions of this Contract.

SECTION 3

PERFORMANCE OF WORK ARTICLE 3.01

CONTRACTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

The Contractor shall do all the work and furnish, at his own cost and expense, all labor, materials, equipment, and other facilities, except as herein otherwise provided, as may be necessary and proper for performing and completing the work under this Contract. The Contractor shall be responsible for the entire work until completed and finally accepted by the City.

The work shall be performed in accordance with the true intent and meaning of the Contract Documents. Unless otherwise expressly provided, the work must be performed in accordance with the best modern practice, with materials as specified and workmanship of the highest quality, all as determined by and entirely to the satisfaction of the Engineer.

Unless otherwise expressly provided, the means and methods of construction shall be such as the Contractor may choose, subject, however, to the approval of the Engineer. Only adequate and safe procedure, methods, structures and equipment shall be used. The Engineer's approval or the Engineer's failure to exercise his right thereon shall not relieve the Contractor of obligations to accomplish the result intended by the Contract, nor shall such create a cause of action for damages.

ARTICLE 3.02 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

The Contractor must comply with all local, State and Federal laws, rules, ordinances and regulations applicable to this Contract and to the work done hereunder, and must obtain, at his own expense, all permits, licenses or other authorization necessary for the prosecution of the work.

No work shall be performed under this Contract on Sundays, legal holidays or after regular working hours without the express permission of the Engineer. Where such permission is granted, the Engineer may require that such work be performed without additional expense to the City.

ARTICLE 3.03 INSPECTION

During the progress of the work and up to the date of final acceptance, the Contractor shall, at all times, afford the representatives of the City, the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation, and if applicable, the Federal Environmental Protection Agency and the Federal Department of Labor every reasonable, safe and proper

facility for inspecting the work done or being done at the site. The inspection of any work shall not relieve the Contractor of any of his obligations to perform proper and satisfactory work as herein specified. Finished or unfinished work found not to be in strict accordance with the Contract shall be replaced as directed by the Engineer, even though such work may have been previously approved and payment made therefor.

The City shall have the right to reject materials and workmanship which are defective or require their correction. Rejected work and materials must be promptly removed from the site, which must at all times be kept in a reasonably clean and neat condition.

Failure or neglect on the part of the City to condemn or reject bad or inferior work or materials shall not be construed to imply an acceptance of such work or materials, if it becomes evident at any time prior to the final acceptance of the work by the City. Neither shall it be construed as barring the City at any subsequent time from the recovery of damages of such a sum of money as may be needed to build anew all portions of the work in which inferior work or improper materials were used, wherever found.

Should it be considered necessary or advisable by the City at any time before final acceptance of the entire work to make examinations of work already completed, by removing or tearing out all or portions of such work, the Contractor shall, on request, promptly furnish all necessary facilities, labor, and material for that purpose. If such work is found to be defective in any material respect, due to the fault of the Contractor or his subcontractors, he shall defray all expenses of such examination and of satisfactory reconstruction. If, however, such work is found to meet the requirements of the Contract, the cost of examination and restoration of the work shall be considered an item of extra work to be paid for in accordance with the provisions of Article 7.02 hereof.

ARTICLE 3.04 PROTECTION

During performance and until final acceptance, the Contractor shall be under an absolute obligation to protect the finished and unfinished work against any damage, loss, or injury. The Contractor shall take proper precaution to protect the finished work from loss or damage, pending completion and the final acceptance of all the work included in the entire Contract, provided that such precaution shall not relieve the Contractor from any and all liability and responsibility for loss or damage to the work occurring before final acceptance by the City. Such loss or damage shall be at the risk of and borne by the Contractor, whether arising from acts or omissions of the Contractor or others. In the event of any such loss or damage, the Contractor shall forthwith repair, replace, and make good the work without extension of time therefor, except as may be otherwise provided herein.

The provisions of this Article shall not be deemed to create any new right of action in favor of third parties against the Contractor or the City.

ARTICLE 3.05 PRESERVATION OF PROPERTY

The Contractor shall preserve from damage all property along the line of the work, or which is in the vicinity of or is in anywise affected by the work, the removal or destruction of which is not called for by the Plans. This applies, but is not limited, to the public utilities, trees, lawn areas, building monuments, fences, pipe and underground structures, public streets (except natural wear and tear of streets resulting from legitimate use thereof by the Contractor), and wherever such property is damaged due to the activities of the Contractor, it shall be immediately restored to its original condition by the Contractor and at his own expense.

In case of failure on the part of the Contractor to restore such property, or make good such damage or injury, the City may, upon forty-eight (48) hour written notice, proceed to repair, rebuild, or otherwise restore such property as may be deemed necessary, and the cost thereof will be deducted from any monies due or which may become due the Contractor under this Contract. Nothing in this clause shall prevent the Contractor from receiving proper compensation for the removal, damage, or replacement of any public or private property not shown on the Plans, when this is made necessary by alteration of grade or alignment authorized by the Engineer, provided that such property has not been damaged through fault of the Contractor, his employees or agents.

ARTICLE 3.06 BOUNDARIES

The Contractor shall confine his equipment, apparatus, the storage of materials, supplies and apparatus of his workmen to the limits indicated on the plans, by law, ordinances, permits or direction of the Engineer.

ARTICLE 3.07 SAFETY AND HEALTH REGULATIONS

The Contractor shall comply with the Department of Labor Safety and Health Regulations for construction promulgated under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (PL 91- 596) and under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (PL91-54).

ARTICLE 3.08 TAXES

All taxes of any kind and character payable on account of the work done and materials furnished under this Contract shall be paid by the Contractor and shall be deemed to have been included in his bid. The laws of the State of Florida provide that sales and use taxes are payable by the Contractor upon the tangible personal property incorporated in the work and such taxes shall be paid by the Contractor and shall be deemed to have been included in his bid.

ARTICLE 3.09 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The Contractor, in the performance of the work under this Contract, shall comply with all Local, State and Federal laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations applicable to protection of the environment; and, in the event he violates any of the provisions of same, he shall be answerable to the Local, State and Federal agencies designated by law to protect the environment. In the event the City receives, from

any of the environmental agencies, a citation which is occasioned by an act or omission of the Contractor or his subcontractor or any officers, employees or agents of either, it is understood and agreed that the Contractor shall automatically become a party-respondent under said citation; and the City immediately shall notify the Contractor and provide him with a copy of said citation.

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the citation and correct the offending conditions(s) within the time stated in said citation and further shall be held fully responsible for all fines and/or penalties.

SECTION 4

TIME PROVISIONS ARTICLE 4.01 TIME OF START AND COMPLETION

The Contractor must commence work within thirty (30) days subsequent to the date of the receipt of the "Notice to Proceed" by the City unless otherwise provided in the Specific Provisions and Special Instructions. Time being of the essence of this Contract, the Contractor shall thereafter prosecute the work diligently, using such means and methods of construction as well as secure its full completion in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents no later than the date specified therefor, or on the date to which the time for completion may be extended.

The Contractor must complete the work covered by this Contract in the number of consecutive calendar days set forth in the Instructions to Bidders, unless the date of completion is extended pursuant to the provisions of Article 4.05 hereof. The period for performance shall start from the date of signing of this Agreement by the City.

The actual date of completion will be established after a final inspection as provided in Article 4.07 hereof.

ARTICLE 4.02 PROGRESS SCHEDULE

To enable the work to be laid out and prosecuted in an orderly and expeditious manner, the Contractor shall submit to the Engineer a proposed progress schedule within fifteen (15) days after the award of this Contract.

The schedule shall state the Contract starting date, time for completion and date of completion and shall show the anticipated time of starting and completion of each of the various operations to be performed under this Contract, together with all necessary and appropriate information regarding sequence and correlation of work and an estimated time required for the delivery of all materials and equipment required for the work. The proposed schedule shall be revised as directed by the Engineer until finally approved by him, and, after such approval, shall be strictly adhered to by the Contractor. The approved progress schedule may be changed only with the written permission of the Engineer.

If the Contractor shall fail to adhere to the approved progress schedule or the schedule as revised, he shall promptly adopt such other or additional means and methods of construction as will make up for the time lost, and will assure completion in accordance with the contract time.

ARTICLE 4.03 APPROVAL REQUESTS

From time to time, as the work progresses and in the sequence indicated by the approved schedule, the Contractor must submit to the Engineer a specific request, in writing, for each item of information or approval required of him by the Contract. These requests must be submitted sufficiently in advance of the date upon which the information or approval is actually required by the Contractor to allow for the time the Engineer may take to act upon such submissions or resubmissions. The Contractor shall not have any right to an extension of time on account of delays due to his failure to submit his requests for the required information or the required approval in accordance with these requirements.

ARTICLE 4.04 COORDINATION WITH OTHER CONTRACTORS

During progress of the work, other Contractors may be engaged in performing other work on this project or on other projects on the site. In that event, the Contractor shall coordinate the work to be done hereunder with the work of such other Contractors in such manner as the Engineer may direct.

ARTICLE 4.05 EXTENSION OF TIME

If such an application is made, the Contractor shall be entitled to an extension of time for delay in completion of the work should the Contractor be obstructed or delayed in the commencement, prosecution or completion of any part of said work by any act or delay of the City, or by acts or omissions of other Contractors on this project, or by a riot, insurrection, war, pestilence, acts of public authorities, fire, lightning, hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, floods, extremely abnormal and excessive inclement weather as indicated by the records of the local weather bureau for a five-year period preceding the date of the Contract, or by strikes, or other causes, which causes of delay mentioned in this Article, in the opinion of the City, are entirely beyond the expectation and control of the Contractor.

The Contractor shall, however, be entitled to an extension of time for such causes only for the number of days of delay which the City may determine to be due solely to such causes and only to the extent that such occurrences actually delay the completion of the project and then only if the Contractor shall have strictly complied with all of the requirements of Articles 4.01, 4.02, 4.03 and 4.04 hereof. It is hereby understood that the determination by the Engineer as to the order and sequence of the work shall not in itself constitute a basis for extension of time.

The determination made by the City on an application for an extension of time shall be binding and conclusive on the Contractor.

Delays caused by failure of the Contractor's materialmen, manufacturers, and dealers to furnish approved working drawings, materials, fixtures, equipment, appliances, or other fittings on time or failure of subcontractors to perform their work shall not constitute a basis of extension of time.

The Contractor agrees to make no claim for damages for delay in the performance of this Contract occasioned by any act or omission to act of the City or any of its representatives or because of any injunction which may be brought against the City or its representatives and agrees that any such claim shall be fully compensated for by an extension of time to complete performance of the work as provided herein.

ARTICLE 4.06 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

It is mutually agreed between the parties that time is the essence of this Contract and that there will be on the part of the City considerable monetary damage in the event the Contractor should fail to complete the work within the time fixed for completion in the Contract or within the time to which such completion may have been extended.

The amount per day set forth in the Instructions to Bidders is hereby agreed upon as the liquidated damages for each and every calendar day that the time consumed in completing the work under this Contract exceeds the time allowed.

This amount shall, in no event, be considered as a penalty or otherwise than as the liquidated and adjusted damages to the City because of the delay and the Contractor and his Surety agree that the stated sum per day for each such day of delay shall be deducted and retained out of the monies which may become due hereunder and if not so deductible, the Contractor and his Surety shall be liable therefor.

ARTICLE 4.07 FINAL INSPECTION

When the work has been completed in accordance with the requirements of the Contract and final cleaning up performed, a date for final inspection of the work by the Engineer shall be set by the Contractor in a written request therefor, which date shall be not less than ten (10) days after the date of such request. The work will be deemed complete as of the date so set by the Contractor if, upon such inspection, the Engineer determines that no further work remains to be done at the site.

If such inspection reveals items of work still to be performed, however, the Contractor shall promptly perform them and then request a reinspection. If, upon such inspection, the Engineer determines that the work is complete, the date of final completion shall be deemed to be the last day of such reinspection.

SECTION 5

SUBCONTRACTS AND ASSIGNMENTS ARTICLE 5.01 LIMITATIONS AND CONSENT

The Contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of this Contract or of his right, title, or interest therein, or his power to execute such Contract, or to assign any monies due or to become due thereunder to any other person, firm or corporation unless the previous written consent of the City shall first be obtained thereto and the giving of any such consent to a particular subcontract or assignment shall not dispense with the necessity of such consent to any further or other assignment.

Before making any subcontract, the Contractor must submit a written statement to the Engineer, giving the name and address of the proposed contractor, the portion of the work and materials which he is to perform and furnish and any other information tending to prove that the proposed subcontractor has the necessary facilities, skill, integrity, past experience and financial resources to perform the work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

If the City finds that the proposed subcontractor is qualified, the Contractor will be notified in writing. The City may revoke approval of any subcontractor when such subcontractor evidences an unwillingness or inability to perform his work in strict accordance with these Contract Documents. Notice of such revocation of approval will be given in writing to the Contractor.

The Contractor will promptly, upon request, file with the City a conformed copy of the subcontract. The Contractor shall cause appropriate provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts relative to the work to bind subcontractors to the Contractor by the terms of these Contract Documents, insofar as applicable to the work of subcontractors, and to give the Contractor the same power as regards terminating any subcontracts that the City may exercise over the Contractor under provisions of these Contract Documents.

The Contractor shall be required to perform with his own forces at least twenty-five (25) percent of the work, unless written consent to subcontract a greater percentage of the work is first obtained from the City.

ARTICLE 5.02 RESPONSIBILITY

The approval by the City of a subcontractor shall not relieve the Contractor of any of his responsibilities, duties, and liabilities hereunder. The Contractor shall be solely responsible to the City for the acts or defaults or omissions of his subcontractor and of such subcontractor's officers, agents, and employees, each of whom shall for all purposes be deemed to be the agent or employee of the Contractor. Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relationship between any subcontractor and the City.

SECTION 6 SECURITY AND GUARANTY ARTICLE 6.01 CONTRACT SECURITY

The Contractor shall execute and deliver to the City a

Performance Bond on the form as provided herein, in an amount at least equal to one hundred (100) percent of the full Contract price, such Bond to be executed by a surety company acceptable to the City. The surety on such Performance Bond shall be a surety company duly authorized to do business in the State of Florida, and the Bond shall be issued or countersigned by a local resident producing agent of such surety company who is a resident of the State of Florida, regularly commissioned and licensed in said State, and satisfactory evidence of the authority of the person or persons executing such Bond shall be submitted with the Bond. The Performance Bond shall serve as security for the faithful performance of this Contract, including maintenance and guaranty provisions, and for the payment of all persons performing labor and furnishing materials in connection with the Contract. The premiums on the Performance Bond shall be paid by the Contractor.

If, at any time, the City shall become dissatisfied with any surety or sureties then upon the Performance Bond, or if for any other reason such bond shall cease to be adequate security for the City, the Contractor shall, within five days after notice so to do, substitute an acceptable Bond in such form and sum and signed by such other sureties as may be satisfactory to the City. The premiums on such Bond shall be paid by the Contractor. No further partial payments shall be deemed due or shall be made until the new sureties have qualified.

ARTICLE 6.02 CONTRACTORS INSURANCE

Insurance required shall be as indicated on Special Instructions pages beginning with "INS-1"

ARTICLE 6.03 AGAINST CLAIMS AND LIENS

The City may withhold from the Contractor as much as any approved payments to him as may, in the opinion of the City, be necessary to secure (a) just claims of any persons supplying labor or materials to the Contractor or any of his subcontractors for the work then due and unpaid; (b) loss due to defective work not remedied, or (c) liability, damage, or loss due to injury to persons or damages to the work or property of other contractors, subcontractors, or others, caused by the act or neglect of the Contractor or of any of his subcontractors. The City shall have the right, as agent for the Contractor, to apply any such amounts so withheld in such manner as the City may deem proper to satisfy such claims or to secure such protection. Such application of such money shall be deemed payments for the account of the Contractor.

ARTICLE 6.04 MAINTENANCE AND GUARANTY

The Contractor hereby guarantees all the work furnished under this Contract against any defects in workmanship and materials for a period of one year following the date of final acceptance of the work by the City. Under this guarantee, the Contractor hereby agrees to make good, without delay, at his own expense, any failure of any part of the work due to faulty materials or manufacture, construction, or installation, or the failure of any equipment to perform satisfactorily all the work put upon it within the limits of the

work caused by such failure. It is hereby agreed that the Performance Bond shall fully cover all guarantees contained in this Article.

It is also agreed that all warranties, expressed or implied, inure to the benefit of the City and are enforceable by the City.

SECTION 7

CHANGES ARTICLE 7.01 MINOR CHANGES

The City reserves the right to make such additions, deductions, or changes to this Contract from time to time as it deems necessary and in a manner not materially affecting the substance thereof or materially changing the price to be paid in order to carry out and complete more fully and perfectly the work herein agreed to be done and performed. This Contract shall in no way be invalidated by any such additions, deductions, or changes, and no claim by the Contractor shall be made for any loss of anticipated profits thereby.

Construction conditions may require that minor changes be made in the location and installation of the work and equipment to be furnished and other work to be performed hereunder, and the Contractor when ordered by the Engineer, shall make such adjustments and changes in said locations and work as may be necessary, without additional cost to the City, provided such adjustments and changes do not alter the character, quantity of cost of the work as a whole, and provided further that Plans and Specifications showing such adjustments and changes are furnished to the Contractor by the City within a reasonable time before any work involving such adjustment and changes is begun. The Engineer shall be the sole judge of what constitutes a minor change for which no additional compensation shall be allowed.

ARTICLE 7.02 EXTRA WORK

The City may at any time by a written order and without notice to the sureties require the performance of such extra work as it may find necessary or desirable. An order for extra work shall be valid only if issued in writing and signed by the Mayor and the work so ordered must be performed by the Contractor.

The amount of compensation to be paid to the Contractor for any extra work as so ordered shall be determined as follows:

- (a) By such applicable unit prices, if any, as are set forth in the Proposal; or
- (b) If no such unit prices are set forth then by a lump sum or other unit prices mutually agreed upon by the City and the Contractor; or
- (c) If no such unit prices are set forth in the Proposal and if the parties cannot agree upon a lump sum or other unit prices then by the actual net cost in money to the Contractor of the extra work performed, which cost shall be determined as follows:

- (1) For all labor and foreman in direct charge of the authorized operations, the Contractor shall receive the current local rate of wages to be agreed upon, in writing, before starting such work for each hour that said labor

and foremen are actually engaged thereon, to which shall be added an amount equal to 25 percent of the sum thereof which shall be considered and accepted as full compensation for general supervision, FICA taxes, contributions under the Florida Unemployment Compensation Act, insurance, bond, subcontractor's profit and overhead, the furnishing of small tools and miscellaneous equipment used, such as picks, shovels, hand pumps, and similar items.

- (2) For all materials used, the Contractor shall receive the actual cost of such materials delivered at the site or previously approved delivery point as established by original receipted bills. No percentage shall be added to this cost.
- (3) For special equipment and machinery such as power-driven pumps, concrete mixers, trucks, and tractors, or other equipment, required for the economical performance of the authorized work, the Contractor shall receive payment based on the average local area rental price for each item of equipment and the actual time of its use on the work. No percentage shall be added to this sum.
- (4) Records of extra work done under this procedure shall be reviewed at the end of each day by the Contractor or his representative and the Engineer. Duplicate copies of accepted records shall be made and signed by both Contractor or his representative and the Engineer, and one copy retained by each.

Request for payment for approved and duly authorized extra work shall be submitted in the same form as Contract work or in the case of work performed under paragraph (c) (1) above upon a certified statement supported by receipted bills. Such statement shall be submitted for the current Contract payment for the month in which the work was done.

ARTICLE 7.03 DISPUTED WORK

If the Contractor is of the opinion that any work required, necessitated, or ordered violates the terms and provisions of this Contract, he must promptly notify the Engineer, in writing, of his contentions with respect thereto and request a final determination thereof. If the Engineer determines that the work in question is Contract work and not extra work or that the order complained of is proper, he will direct the Contractor to proceed and the Contractor shall promptly comply. In order, however, to reserve his right to claim compensation for such work or damages resulting from such compliance, the Contractor must, within five (5) days after receiving notice of the Engineer's determination and direction, notify the City in writing that the work is being performed or that the determination and direction is being complied with under protest. Failure of the Contractor to notify shall be deemed as a waiver of claim for extra compensation or damages therefor.

Before final acceptance by the City, all matters of dispute must be adjusted to the mutual satisfaction of the parties thereto. Final determinations and decisions, in case any questions shall arise, shall constitute a condition precedent to the right of the Contractor to receive the money therefor until the matter in question has been adjusted.

ARTICLE 7.04 OMITTED WORK

The City may at any time by a written order and without notice to the sureties require the omission of such Contract work as it may find necessary or desirable.

An order for omission of work shall be valid only if signed by the Mayor and the work so ordered must be omitted by the Contractor. The amount by which the Contract price shall be reduced shall be determined as follows: (a) By such applicable unit prices, if any, as are set forth in the Contract; or

(b) By the appropriate lump sum price set forth in the Contract; or

(c) By the fair and reasonable estimated cost to the City of such omitted work as determined by the Engineer and approved by the City.

SECTION 8

CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES ARTICLE 8.01 CHARACTER AND COMPETENCY

The Contractor and his subcontractors shall employ upon all parts of the work herein contracted for only competent, skillful, and trustworthy workers. Should the Engineer at any time give notice, in writing, to the Contractor or his duly authorized representative on the work that any employee in his opinion is incompetent, unfaithful, disorderly, careless, unobservant of instructions, or in any way a detriment to the satisfactory progress of the work, such employee shall immediately be dismissed and not again allowed upon the site.

ARTICLE 8.02 SUPERINTENDENCE

The Contractor shall give his personal supervision to the faithful prosecution of the work and in case of his absence shall have a competent, experienced, and reliable supervisor or superintendent, acceptable to the Engineer on the site who shall follow without delay all instructions of the Engineer in the prosecution and completion of the work and every part thereof, in full authority to supply workers, material, and equipment immediately. He shall keep on hand at all times copies of the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 8.03 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Contractor shall, in the performance of the work required to be done under this Contract, employ all workers without discrimination regarding race, creed, color, sex or national origin and must not maintain or provide facilities that are segregated on the basis of race, color, creed or national origin.

ARTICLE 8.04 RATES OF WAGES

On federally assisted projects, the rates of wages to be paid under this Contract shall not be less than the rates of wages set forth in Section 12 of this Agreement.

On other projects, no wage rate determination is included. Florida's Prevailing Wage Law (Section 215.19, Florida Statutes) was repealed effective April 25, 1979.

ARTICLE 8.05 PAYROLL REPORTS

The Contractor and each subcontractor shall, if requested to do so, furnish to the Engineer a duly certified copy of his payroll and also any other information required by the Engineer to satisfy him that the provisions of the law as to the hours of employment and rate of wages are being observed.

Payrolls shall be prepared in accordance with instructions furnished by the City and on approved forms. The Contractor shall not carry on his payroll any persons not employed by him. Subcontractor's employees shall be carried only on the payrolls of the employing subcontractor.

SECTION 9

CONTRACTOR'S DEFAULT ARTICLE 9.01 CITY'S RIGHT AND NOTICE

It is mutually agreed that: (a) if the Contractor fails to begin work when required to do so, or (b) if at any time during the progress of the work it shall appear to the Engineer that the Contractor is not prosecuting the work with reasonable speed, or is delaying the work unreasonably and unnecessarily, or (c) if the force of workmen or quality or quantity of material furnished are not sufficient to insure completion of the work within the specified time and in accordance with the Specifications hereto attached, or (d) if the Contractor shall fail to make prompt payments for materials or labor or to subcontractors for work performed under the Contract, or (e) if legal proceedings have been instituted by others than the City in such manner as to interfere with the progress of the work and may subject the City to peril of litigation or outside claims of (f) if the Contractor shall be adjudged a bankrupt or make an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or (g) if in any proceeding instituted by or against the Contractor an order shall be made or entered granting an extension of time of payment, composition, adjustment, modification, settlement or satisfaction of his debts or liabilities, or (h) if a receiver or trustee shall be appointed for the Contractor or the Contractor's property, or (i) if the Contract or any part thereof shall be sublet without the consent of the City being first obtained in writing, or (j) if this Contract or any right, monies, or claim thereunder shall be assigned by the Contractor, otherwise than as herein specified, or (k) if the Contractor shall fail in any manner of substance to observe the provisions of this Contract, or (l) if any of the work, machinery, or equipment shall be defective, and shall not be replaced as herein provided, or (m) if the work to be done under this Contract shall be abandoned, then such fact or conditions shall be certified by the Engineer and thereupon the City without prejudice to any other rights or remedies of the City, shall have the right to declare the Contractor in default and so notify the Contractor by a written notice, setting forth the ground or grounds upon which such default is declared and the Contractor must discontinue the work, either as a portion of the work or the whole thereof, as directed.

ARTICLE 9.02 CONTRACTOR'S DUTY UPON DEFAULT

Upon receipt of notice that his Contract is in default, the Contractor shall immediately discontinue all further operations on the work or such part thereof, and shall immediately quit the site or such part thereof, leaving untouched all plant, materials, equipment, tools, and supplies.

ARTICLE 9.03 COMPLETION OF DEFAULTED WORK

The City, after declaring the Contractor in default, may then have the work completed or the defective equipment or machinery replaced or anything else done to complete the work in strict accordance with the Contract Documents by such means and in such manner, by Contract with or without public letting, or otherwise, as it may deem advisable, utilizing for such purpose without additional cost to the City such of the Contractor's plant, materials, equipment, tools, and supplies remaining on the site, and also such subcontractors as it may deem advisable.

The City shall reimburse all parties, including itself, for the expense of such completion, including liquidated damages, if any, and the cost of reletting. The City shall deduct this expense from monies due or to become due to the Contractor under this Contract, or any part thereof, and in case such expense is more than the sum remaining unpaid of the original contract price, the Contractor and his sureties shall pay the amount of such deficiency to the City.

ARTICLE 9.04 PARTIAL DEFAULT

In case the City shall declare the Contractor in default as to a part of the work only, the Contractor shall discontinue such part, shall continue performing the remainder of the work in strict conformity with the terms of the Contract, and shall in no way hinder or interfere with any other contractor or person whom the City may engage to complete the work as to which the Contractor was declared in default.

SECTION 10 PAYMENTS ARTICLE 10.01 PRICES

For the Contractor's complete performance of the work, the City will pay and the Contractor agrees to accept, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, the lump sum prices or unit prices in the Contractor's Proposal and the award made therein, plus the amount required to be paid for any extra work ordered under Article 7.02 hereof, less credit for any work omitted pursuant to Article 7.04 hereof. Under unit price items, the number of units actually required to complete the work under the Contract may be more than stated in the Proposal. The Contractor agrees that no claim will be made for any damages or for loss of profits because of a difference between the quantities of the various classes of work assumed and stated in the Proposal Form as a basis for comparing Proposals and the quantities of work actually performed.

The sum as awarded for any lump sum Contract or lump sum Contract Item shall represent payment in full for all of the various classes of work, including materials, equipment, and labor necessary or required to complete, in conformity with the Contract Document, the entire work shown, indicated or specified under the lump sum Contract or lump sum Contract Item.

The amount as awarded as a unit price for any unit price Contract Item shall represent payment in full for all the materials, equipment, and labor necessary to complete, in conformity with the Contract Documents, each unit of work shown, specified, or required under the said unit price Contract Item.

No payment other than the amount as awarded will be made for any class of work included in a lump sum Contract Item or a unit price Contract Item, unless specific provision is made therefor in the Contract Documents.

ARTICLE 10.02 SUBMISSION OF BID BREAKDOWN

Within fifteen (15) days after the execution of this Contract, the Contractor must submit to the Engineer in duplicate an acceptable breakdown of the lump sums and unit prices bid for items of the Contract, showing the various operations to be performed under the Contract, as described in the progress schedule required under Article 4.02 hereof, and the value of each of such operations, the total of such items to equal the total price bid. The Contractor shall also submit such other information relating to the bid prices as may be required and shall revise the bid breakdown as directed. Thereafter, the breakdown may be used for checking the Contractor's applications for partial payments hereunder but shall not be binding upon the City or the Engineer for any purpose whatsoever.

ARTICLE 10.03 REPORTS, RECORDS AND DATA

The Contractor shall furnish to the Engineer such schedules of quantities and costs, progress schedules, reports, invoices, delivery tickets, estimates, records, and other data as the Engineer may request concerning work performed or to be performed and the materials furnished under the Contract.

ARTICLE 10.04 PAYMENTS BY CONTRACTOR

The Contractor shall pay (a) for all transportation and utility services not later than the 20th day of the calendar month following that in which such services are rendered, (b) for all materials, tools, and equipment delivered at the site of the project, and the balance of the cost thereof not later than the 30th day following the completion of that part of the work in or on which such materials, tools, and equipment are incorporated or used, and (c) to each of his subcontractors, not later than the 5th day following each payment to the Contractor, the respective amounts allowed the Contractor on account of the work performed by his subcontractors, to the extent of each subcontractor's interest therein; and proof of such payments or releases therefor shall be submitted to the Engineer upon request.

ARTICLE 10.05 PARTIAL PAYMENTS

On or about the first of each month, the Contractor shall make and certify an estimate, on forms prescribed by the City, of the amount and fair value of the work done, and may apply for partial payment therefore. The Contractor shall revise the estimate as the Engineer may direct. When satisfactory progress has been made, and shows that the value of the work completed since the last payment exceeds one percent (1%) of the total Contract price in amount, the Engineer will issue a certificate that such work has been completed and the value thereof. The City will then issue a voucher to the Contractor in accordance with the following schedule:

FOR CONTRACT AMOUNTS UNDER \$250,000

(A) In the amount of ninety percent (90%) of the value of the work completed as certified until construction is one hundred percent (100%) complete (operational or beneficial occupancy), the withheld amount may be reduced below ten percent (10%), at the Engineer's option, to only that amount necessary to assure completion.

FOR CONTRACT AMOUNTS OVER \$250,000

(A) In the amount of ninety percent (90%) of the value of the work completed as certified until construction is fifty percent (50%) complete.

(B) When the dollar value, as determined by the Engineer, of satisfactorily completed work in place is greater than fifty percent (50%) of the original contract price, vouchers for partial payment will be issued by the City to the Contractor in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the value of the work, above 50%, completed as certified for that payment period.

(C) If the Contractor has performed satisfactorily and the work is substantially complete (operational or beneficial occupancy) the withheld amount may be reduced, at the Engineer's option, to only that amount necessary to assure completion.

In addition to the Conditions set forth in (A), (B), and (C) above, payments will always be less any sums that may be retained or deducted by the City under the terms of any of the contract documents and less any sums that may be retained to cover monetary guarantees for equipment, materials or progress performance.

Payment on estimates made on or about the first of the month may be expected on or about the 20th of the month.

Unless specified otherwise in the Contract Items, the delivered cost of equipment and nonperishable materials suitably stored at the site of the work and tested for adequacy may be included in the Contractor's application for partial payment provided, however, that the Contractor shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the City that the Contractor is the unconditional owner and in possession of such materials or equipment. The amount to be paid will be 90 percent of the invoice cost to the Contractor which cost shall be supported by receipted bills within 30 days of the date of payment by the City to the Contractor. Such payment shall not relieve the Contractor from full responsibility for completion of the

work and for protection of such materials and equipment until incorporated in the work in a permanent manner as required by the Contract Documents.

Before any payment will be made under this Contract, the Contractor and every subcontractor, if required, shall deliver to the Engineer a written, verified statement, in satisfactory form, showing in detail all amounts then due and unpaid by such Contractor or subcontractor to all laborers, workmen, and mechanics, employed by him under the Contract for the performance of the work at the site thereof, for daily or weekly wages, or to other persons for materials, equipment, or supplies delivered at the site of the work during the period covered by the payment under consideration.

ARTICLE 10.06 FINAL PAYMENT

Under determination of satisfactory completion of the work under this Contract as provided in Article 4.07 hereof, the Engineer will prepare the final estimate showing the value of the completed work. This estimate will be prepared within 30 days after the date of completion or as soon thereafter as the necessary measurements and computations can be made. All prior certificates and estimates, being approximate only, are subject to correction in the final estimate and payment.

When the final estimate has been prepared and certified by Engineer, he will submit to the Mayor and City Council the final certificate stating that the work has been completed and the amount based on the final estimate remaining due to the Contractor. The City will then accept the work as fully completed and will, not later than 30 days after the final acceptance, as defined in Article 1.02, of the work done under this Contract, pay the Contractor the entire amount so found due thereunder after deduction of all previous payments and all percentages and amounts to be kept and retained under provisions of this Contract; provided, however, and it is understood and agreed that, as a precedent to receiving final payment, the Contractor shall submit to the City a sworn affidavit that all bills for labor, service, materials, and subcontractors have been paid and that there are no suits pending in connection with this work. The City, at its option, may permit the Contractor to execute a separate surety bond in a form satisfactory to the City. The surety bond shall be in the full amount of the suit or suits.

Neither the final payment nor any part of the retained percentage shall be paid until the Contractor, if required, shall furnish the City with a complete release from any should remain unsatisfied after all payments are made, the Contractor shall refund to the City all monies which the City may be compelled to pay in discharging such claim, including incidental costs and attorney's fees.

ARTICLE 10.07 ACCEPTANCE OF FINAL PAYMENT

The acceptance by the Contractor, or by anyone claiming by or through him, of the final payment shall operate as and shall be a release to the City and every officer and agent thereof from any and all claims and liability to the Contractor for anything done or furnished in connection

others relating to or affecting the work. No payment, however, final or otherwise, shall operate to release the Contractor or his sureties from any obligations under this Contract or the Performance Bond.

SECTION 11

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS ARTICLE 11.01

CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTIES

In consideration of, and to induce the award of this contract to him, the Contractor represents and warrants:

(a) That he is not in arrears to the City upon debt or contract, and he is not a defaulter, as surety, contractor, or otherwise.

(b) That he is financially solvent and sufficiently experienced and competent to perform the work. (c) That the work can be performed as called for by the Contract Documents.

(d) That the facts stated in his proposal and the information given by him are true and correct in all respects. (e) That he is fully informed regarding all the conditions affecting the work to be done and labor and materials to be furnished for the completion of this Contract, and that his information was secured by personal investigation and research.

ARTICLE 11.02 PATENTED DEVICES, MATERIAL AND PROCESSES

It is mutually understood and agreed that Contract prices include all royalties and costs arising from patents, trademarks, and copyrights in any way involved in the work. Whenever the Contractor is required or desires to use any design, device, material, or process covered by letters of patent or copyright, the Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the City, its officers, agents and employees from any and all claims for infringement by reason of the use of any such patented design, device, tool, material, equipment, or process, to be performed under the Contract, and shall indemnify the said City, its officers, agents, and employees for any costs, expenses, and damages which may be incurred by reason of such infringement at any time during the prosecution or after completion of the work.

ARTICLE 11.03 SUITS AT LAW

In case any action at law or suit in equity may or shall be brought against the City or any of its officers, agents, or employees for or on account of the failure, omission, or neglect of the Contractor or his subcontractors, employees, or agents, to do or perform any of the covenants, acts, matters, or things by this Contract undertaken to be done or performed by the Contractor or his subcontractors, employees, or agents, or from any injuries done to property or persons and caused by the negligence or alleged negligence of the Contractor or his subcontractors, employees, or agents, or in any other manner arising out of the performance of this Contract, then the Contractor shall immediately assume and take charge of the defense of such actions or suits in like manner and to all intents and purposes as if said actions or suits have been brought directly against the Contractor, and the Contractor shall also indemnify and save harmless the City, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all loss, cost or damage whatever arising out of such actions or suits, in like manner and to all intents and

purposes as if said actions or suits have been brought directly against the Contractor.

The Contractor shall and does hereby assume all liability for and agrees to indemnify the City or its Engineer against any or all loss, costs, damages, and liability for any or by reason of any lien, claims or demands, either for materials purchased or for work performed by laborers, mechanics, and others and from any damages, costs, actions, or causes of action and judgement arising from injuries sustained by mechanics, laborers, or other persons by reason of accidents or otherwise, whether caused by the carelessness or inefficiency or neglect of said Contractor, his subcontractors, agents, employees, workmen or otherwise.

ARTICLE 11.04 CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES

If the Contractor shall claim compensation for any damage sustained, other than for extra or disputed work covered by Article 7.02 and 7.03 hereof, by reason of any act or omission of the City, its agents, or any persons, he shall, within five days after sustaining such damage, make and deliver to the Engineer a written statement of the nature of the damage sustained and of the basis of the claim against the City. On or before the 15th of the month succeeding that in which any damage shall have been sustained, the Contractor shall make and deliver to the Engineer an itemized statement of the details and amounts of such damage, duly verified by the Contractor. Unless such statements shall be made delivered within the times aforesaid, it is stipulated that and all claims for such compensation shall be forfeited and invalidated, and the Contractor shall not be entitled to payment on account of such claims.

ARTICLE 11.05 NO CLAIMS AGAINST INDIVIDUALS

No claim whatsoever shall be made by the Contractor against any officer, agent, employee of the City for, or on account of, anything done or omitted to be done in connection with this Contract.

ARTICLE 11.06 LIABILITY UNAFFECTED

Nothing herein contained shall in any manner create any liability against the City on behalf of any claim for labor, services, or materials, or of subcontractors, and nothing herein contained shall affect the liability of the Contractor or his sureties to the City or to any workmen or materialsmen upon bond given in connection with this Contract.

ARTICLE 11.07 INDEMNIFICATION PROVISIONS

Whenever there appears in this Agreement, or in the other Contract Documents made a part hereof, an indemnification provision within the purview of Chapter 725.06, Laws of Florida, the monetary limitation on the extent of the indemnification under each such provision shall be One Million Dollars or a sum equal to the total Contract price, whichever shall be the greater.

ARTICLE 11.08 UNLAWFUL PROVISIONS DEEMED STRICKEN

If this contract contains any unlawful provisions not an essential part of the Contract and which shall not appear to have a controlling or material inducement to the making thereof, such provisions shall be deemed of no effect and shall, upon notice by either party, be deemed stricken from the Contract without affecting the binding force of the remainder.

ARTICLE 11.09 LEGAL PROVISIONS DEEMED INCLUDED

Each and every provision of any law and clause required by law to be inserted in this Contract shall be deemed to be inserted herein, and the Contract shall be read and enforced as though it were included herein and if, through mistake or otherwise, any such provision is not inserted or is not correctly inserted, then upon application of either party the Contract shall forthwith be physically amended to make such insertion.

ARTICLE 11.10 DEATH OR INCOMPETENCY OF CONTRACTOR

In the event of death or legal incompetency of a Contractor who shall be an individual or surviving member of a contracting firm, such death or adjudication of incompetency shall not terminate the Contract, but shall act as default hereunder to the effect provided in Article 9.01 hereof and the estate of the Contractor and his surety shall remain liable hereunder to the same extent as though the Contractor had lived. Notice of default, as provided in Article 9.01 hereof, shall not be required to be given in the event of such death or adjudication of incompetency.

ARTICLE 11.11 NUMBER AND GENDER OF WORDS

Whenever the context so admits or requires, all references herein in one number shall be deemed extended to and including the other number, whether singular or plural, and the use of any gender shall be applicable to all genders.

ARTICLE 11.12 ACCESS TO RECORDS

Representatives of Federal Agencies, if applicable, and the State of Florida shall have access to the work whenever it is in preparation of progress. On federally assisted projects the Federal Agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any authorized representative shall have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are pertinent to the project for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcription thereof.

SECTION 12

LABOR STANDARDS ARTICLE 12.01 LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with all of the regulations set forth in "Labor Standards Provisions for Federally Assisted Construction Contracts", which may be attached, and any applicable Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 12.02 NOTICE TO LABOR UNIONS

If required, the Contractor shall provide Labor Unions and other organizations of workers, and shall post, in a conspicuous place available to employees or applicants for employment, a completed copy of the form entitled "Notice to Labor Unions or Other Organizations of Workers" attached to and made a part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 12.03 SAFETY AND HEALTH REGULATIONS

The Contractor shall comply with the Department of Labor Safety and Health Regulations for construction promulgated under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (PL 91- 596) and under Section 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (PL 91-54). Nothing in these Acts shall be construed to supersede or in any manner affect any worker's compensation law or statutory rights, duties, or liabilities of employers and employees under any law with respect to injuries, diseases, or death of employees arising out of, or in the course of, employment.

ARTICLE 12.04 EEO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor understands and agrees to be bound by the equal opportunity requirements of Federal regulations which shall be applicable throughout the performance of work under this Contract. The Contractor also agrees to similarly bind contractually each subcontractor. In policies, the Contractor agrees to engage in Affirmative Action directed at promoting and ensuring equal employment opportunity in the work force used under the Contract (and the Contractor agrees to require contractually the same effort of all subcontractors whose subcontractors exceed \$100,000). The Contractor understands and agrees that "Affirmative Action" as used herein shall constitute a good faith effort to achieve and maintain minority employment in each trade in the onsite work force used on the Contract.

ARTICLE 12.05 PREVAILING RATES OF WAGES

Florida's prevailing wage law was repealed effective April 25, 1979.

For Federally assisted projects, appropriate prevailing wage rate determinations are indicated on pages beginning with WR-1.

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TAMPA AGREEMENT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Order to be executed by their respective representatives, and it shall be effective as of the date of the last signature below.

ATTEST:

CITY OF TAMPA, FLORIDA:

(SEAL) City Clerk/Deputy City Clerk

By: _____
Jane Castor Date

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

The execution of this document was
authorized by Resolution No. _____

Justin Vaske
Senior Assistant City Attorney

ATTEST:

HST UTILITY, INC.

(Seal) Corporate Secretary

By: _____
Contractor Date

TITLE: ☐ Director/Principal
 ☐ (Pres., V-Pres., Partner, Owner)
 ☐ Corporation
 ☐ Partnership
 ☐ Individual
Incorporated in the State of: _____

For an individually owned business, this document must be executed by the owner in the presence of two (2) witnesses.

WITNESSES:

Signature: _____
Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____
Printed Name: _____

If doing business under a fictitious name, you must submit a copy of your Certificate of Registration and a copy of the legal Notice which appeared in a newspaper.

Consolidated State Law Affidavit

CONSOLIDATED STATE LAW AFFIDAVIT

AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE WITH CONVICTED VENDOR LIST (PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME) PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.133, FLORIDA STATUTES, PROHIBITION AGAINST CONTRACTING WITH SCRUTINIZED COMPANIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.135, FLORIDA STATUTES, PROHIBITION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING PURSUANT TO SECTION 787.06, FLORIDA STATUTES, COMPLIANCE WITH E-VERIFY PURSUANT TO SECTION 448.095, FLORIDA STATUTES, PROHIBITION AGAINST ECONOMIC INCENTIVES TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES OF CONCERN PURSUANT TO SECTION 288.0071, FLORIDA STATUTES, AND COMPLIANCE WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES OF CONCERN PURSUANT TO SECTION 287.138, FLORIDA STATUTES.

The undersigned Affiant, on behalf of the Entity listed below ("Entity"), hereby attests under penalty of perjury as follows:

1. Public Entity Crimes

- a. Affiant understands that a "person" or "affiliate" who has been placed on the "convicted vendor list" following a "conviction" for a "public entity crime" (as those terms are defined in Section 287.133, Florida Statutes) for a period of 36 months following the date of being placed on the convicted vendor list, is ineligible to contract with or submit a bid, proposal or reply to contract with the City of Tampa. Entities placed on either the "discriminatory vendor list" or "antitrust vendor list" are ineligible to transact business with the City of Tampa.
- b. Affiant understands and attests that neither Affiant, nor any person or affiliate of the Entity, nor the Entity have been placed on any of the above referenced vendor lists that would render the Entity ineligible to contract with or submit a bid, proposal or reply to contract with the City of Tampa.

2. Scrutinized Companies

- a. Affiant understands that pursuant to Section 287.135(2)(a), Florida Statutes, the Entity would be ineligible to contract with or submit a bid, proposal or reply to contract with the City of Tampa if the Entity is on the "Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List" (created pursuant to Section 215.4725, Florida Statutes) or is engaged in a boycott of Israel. If the value of the contract is one million dollars or more if, at the time of bidding on, submitting a proposal or reply for, or entering into or renewing a contract, the Entity:
 1. Is on the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Iran Terrorism Sectors List, created pursuant to Section 215.473, Florida Statutes; or
 2. Is engaged in business operations in Cuba or Syria.
- b. Affiant attests that neither Affiant nor the Entity are on the Scrutinized Companies that Boycott Israel List, Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Sudan List or the Scrutinized Companies with Activities in Iran Terrorism Sectors List, nor are we engaged in a boycott of Israel, and understand that any resulting contract may be terminated for a falsification of this Affidavit.

3. E-Verify

- a Affiant understands and attests that pursuant to Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes, the Entity must comply with Florida's E-Verify law to enter into a contract with the City of Tampa.
- b The undersigned Entity is registered with and uses the United States Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all new employees
- c No public employer has terminated a contract with the Entity pursuant to Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes, within the year immediately preceding the date of contracting or submitting a bid, proposal or replay to contract with the City of Tampa.
- d Entity is currently in compliance and will remain in compliance, for the duration of any contract with the City of Tampa, with all requirements of Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes.
- e Affiant understands and attests that, if there is a good faith belief that the Entity has knowingly violated Section 448.09(1), Florida Statutes, there is an obligation on the part of the City of Tampa to terminate a contract pursuant to Section 448.095(5), Florida Statutes.
- f Affiant understands and attests that, if there is a good faith belief that one of Entity's subcontractor(s) has knowingly violated the Section 448.09(1), Florida Statutes, but the Entity has otherwise complied with its obligations thereunder, then the Entity will be required to immediately terminate the contract with the subcontractor in order to continue providing services to the City of Tampa.

4 Anti-Human Trafficking

Affiant hereby understands and attests that the undersigned Entity does not use coercion of labor or services as those terms are defined in section 787.06(13), Florida Statutes

5. Compliance with Prohibition Against Economic Incentives to Foreign Countries of Concern.

Affiant, on behalf of the Entity attest to the following:

That pursuant to Section 288.0071, F.S. as a condition of this Agreement, the Entity attests to the following: that it is not a foreign entity or a foreign country of concern such as the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Republic of Cuba, the Venezuelan regime of Nicolas Maduro or the Syrian Arab Republic with whom the City is prohibited from contracting with under Florida law.

6 Compliance with Foreign Countries of Concern

Affiant, on behalf of the Entity attest to the following:

- a Entity is not owned by the government of a foreign country of concern as defined in Section 287.138, Florida Statutes. (Source: § 287.138(2)(a), Florida Statutes.)

- b. The government of a foreign country of concern does not have a controlling interest in Entity. (Source: § 287.138(2)(b), Florida Statutes.)
- c. Entity is not organized under the laws of, and does not have a principal place of business in a foreign country of concern. (Source: § 287.138(2)(c), Florida Statutes.)

The undersigned is authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of Entity.

The undersigned further sayeth naught

Date: 9/16/25 (Affiant) Signed: [Signature]

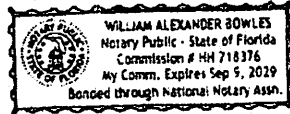
Entity: HST Utility, Inc. Name: Matt Sadowski

Title: Sales Account Manager

STATE OF Florida
COUNTY OF Broward

SWORN to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me, by means of ☒ physical presence or ☐ online notarization, this 22 day of September 2025 by Matt Sadowski as Sales account manager, who is personally known to me or who has produced Florida Drivers License identification.

[AFFIX NOTARY SEAL/STAMP]



[Signature]
Signature of Notary
Name: William A. Bowles
(Print or Type Name)
Notary Public: State of Florida
My Commission Expires 9/9/29

Bid Proposal

Contract 25-C-00038: Citywide Water Meter Replacement

PROPOSAL

To the Mayor and City Council of the City of Tampa, Florida:

Legal Name of Bidder: HST Utility, Inc.

Bidder's Fictitious Name, if applicable:

Bidder is a/an: ☐ Individual ☐ Partnership* ☐ Joint Venture* ☐ LLC ☒ Corp ☐ Other

Bidder is organized under the laws of: ☒ State of Florida ☐ Other:

Bidder Mailing Address: 7901 4th St N Ste 300, Saint Petersburg, FL 33702-4399

Bidder's Federal Employee Identification No. (FEI/EIN): 92-3329318

Bidder's License No: CUC1226169

Bidder's FDOS (SUNBIZ) Doc. No: P23000027291

(See Ch. 489, F.S., use entity's individual's only, if applicable)

Bidder Contact Name*: Matt Sadowski

Email: msadowski@rst.utility.com Phone: (754) 283-2147

Bidder's own initial application for employment has criminal history screening practices similar in nature to the practices contained in Chapter 12, Article VI, City of Tampa Code (Responses, whether "Yes" or "No", are for informational purposes only and will not be used as a basis of award or denial, nor as a basis for any protest) ☒ Yes ☐ No

The below named person, appearing before the undersigned authority and after being first duly sworn, for him/herself and on behalf of the entity submitting this Proposal does hereby affirm and declare as follows:

- (1) He/She is of lawful age and is authorized to act on behalf of Bidder (the individual, partnership, corporation, entity, etc. submitting this Proposal) and that all statements made in this document are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- (2) If Bidder is operating under a fictitious name, Bidder has currently complied with any and all laws and procedures governing the operation of businesses under fictitious names in the State of Florida.
- (3) No person or entity other than Bidder has any interest in this Proposal or in the Contract proposed to be entered into.
- (4) This Proposal is made without any understanding, agreement, or connection with any person or entity making Proposal for the same purposes, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud.
- (5) Bidder is not in arrears to the City of Tampa, upon debt or contract, and is not a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the City of Tampa.
- (6) That no officer or employee or person whose salary is payable in whole or in part from the City Treasury is, shall be or become interested, directly or indirectly, as a contracting party, partner, stockholder, surety or otherwise, in this Proposal, or in the performance of the Contract, or in the supplies, materials, or equipment and work or labor to which it relates, or in any portion of the profits thereof.
- (7) Bidder has carefully examined and fully understands the Solicitation and has full knowledge of the scope, nature, and quality of the work to be performed; furthermore, Bidder has carefully examined the site of the work and that, from his own investigations, he has satisfied himself as to the nature and location of the work, the character, quality, and quantity of materials and the kinds and extent of equipment and other facilities needed for the performance of the work, the general and local conditions and all difficulties to be encountered, and all other items which may, in any way, affect the work or its performance.
- (8) Bidder (including its principals) ☐ has ☒ has NOT been debarred or suspended from contracting with a public entity.
- (9) Bidder ☐ has ☒ has NOT implemented a drug-free workplace program that meets the requirements of Section 287.087, Florida Statutes.
- (10) Bidder has carefully examined and fully understands all the component parts of the Contract Documents and agrees Bidder will execute the Contract, provide the required Public Construction Bond, and will fully perform the work in strict accordance with the terms of the Contract and Contract Documents therein referred to for the following prices, to wit:

* If a Partnership or Joint Venture, attach Partnership or Joint Venture Agreement.

** Sometime the City may contact with questions/correspondence regarding this Solicitation and/or permits.

Computed Total Price in Words: Two million eight hundred seventy five hundred fourty one

Computed Total Price in Figures: \$ 2,870,541.00

Bidder acknowledges that it is aware of Florida's Trench Safety Act (Sections 553.60-553.64, Florida Statutes), and agrees that Bidder together with any involved subcontractors will comply with all applicable trench safety standards. Bidder further acknowledges that included in the various items of this Proposal and the total bid price (as applicable) are costs for complying with the Trench Safety Act. Bidder further identifies the costs and methods summarized below:

Accompanying this Proposal is a certified check, cashier's check or Tampa Bid Bond (form included herein must be used) for at least five percent (5%) of the total amount of the Proposal which check shall become the property of the City, or which bond shall become forthwith due and payable to the City, if this Proposal shall be accepted by the City and the Bidder shall fail to enter into a legally binding contract with and to furnish the required Public Construction Bond to the City within twenty (20) days after the date of its receipt of written Notice of Award by the City so to do.

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Citywide Water Meter Replacement**

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Item No.	Description	Unit	Approx. Quantity	Unit Price in Words	Unit Price	Total Computed Price
2000	Replace 5/8"x3/4" & 1" meters and provide meter box GPS coordinates	EA	46,600	Forty six dollars and no cents.	\$ 46.00	\$ 2,143,600.00
3000	Meter inspection and provide meter box GPS coordinates	EA	2,098	Thirty dollars and no cents	\$ 30.00	\$ 62,940.00
4000	Install re-setter for 5/8" meter	EA	4,194	Twelve dollars and fifty cents	\$ 12.50	\$ 52,425.00
4100	Install re-setter for 1" meter	EA	186	Twelve dollars and fifty cents	\$ 12.50	\$ 2,325.00
5000	Install 3/4" curb stop	EA	1864	Forty five dollars and no cents	\$ 45.00	\$ 83,880.00
5100	Install 1" curb stop	EA	280	Forty five dollars and no cents	\$ 45.00	\$ 12,600.00
6000	Replace meter box in pavement/sidewalk	EA	1	Five hundred seventy five dollars and no cents	\$ 575.00	\$ 575.00
6100	Replace meter box in grass	EA	6,244	Forty eight dollars and fifty cents	\$ 48.50	\$ 302,834.00
7000	Replace meter box lid	EA	6,244	Three dollars and no cents	\$ 3.00	\$ 18,732.00
8000	Install meter coupling into consumer-side direct/straight connects	EA	372	Sixty five dollars and no cents	\$ 65.00	\$ 24,180.00
9000	Contingency	LS	1	One hundred six thousand four hundred fifty dollars and no cents.	\$ 106,450	\$ 106,450
9100	Performance Bond	LS	1	Sixty thousand dollars and no cents	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
					\$ TOTAL	\$ 2,870,541.00

Bid Bond

TAMPA BID BOND
Contract 25-C-00038 Citywide Water Meter Replacement

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, HST Utility, Inc.

7901 4th Street North, Suite 300, Saint Petersburg, FL 33702

(hereinafter called the Principal) and Bondex Insurance Company

(hereinafter called the Surety) a Corporation chartered and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey, with its principal offices in the City of Florham Park, and authorized to do business in the State of Florida, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Tampa, a Municipal Corporation of Hillsborough County, Florida, in the full and just sum of 5% of the amount of the (Bid) (Proposal) good and lawful money of the United States of America, to be paid upon demand of the City of Tampa, Florida, to which payment will and truly to be made we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally and firmly these presents.

WHEREAS, the Principal is about to submit, or has submitted to the City of Tampa, Florida, a Proposal for the construction of certain facilities for the City designated Contract 25-C-00038, Citywide Water Meter Replacement

WHEREAS, the Principal desires to file this Bond in accordance with law, in lieu of a certified Bidder's check otherwise required to accompany this Proposal

NOW, THEREFORE: The conditions of this obligation are such that if the Proposal be accepted, the Principal shall, within twenty (20) days after the date of receipt of written Notice of Award, execute a contract in accordance with the Proposal and upon the terms, conditions and price set forth therein, in the form and manner required by the City of Tampa, Florida and execute a sufficient and satisfactory Public Construction Bond payable to the City of Tampa, Florida in an amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the total contract price, in form and with security satisfactory to said City, then this Bid Bond obligation is to be void; otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue in law, and the Surety shall, upon failure of the Principal to comply with any or all of the foregoing requirements within the time specified above, immediately pay to the aforesaid City, upon demand, the amount thereof, in good and lawful money of the United States of America, not as a penalty, but as liquidated damages

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, the Principal and Surety have caused these presents to be duly signed and sealed this 16th day of September, 2025.

Principal

HST Utility, Inc.

BY _____

TITLE _____

Bondex Insurance Company

BY _____

TITLE Philip S. Tobey, Attorney-in-Fact

(SEAL)

Philip S. Tobey, Attorney-in-Fact
Producing Agent

30 A Vreeland Road, Suite 120, Florham Park, NJ 07932
Producing Agent's Address

Bondex Insurance Company
Name of Agency

The addition of such phrases as "not to exceed" or like import shall render the (Bid) (Proposal) non-responsive.

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Consent of Surety

Bondex Insurance Company, a corporation created and existing under the laws of the State of **New Jersey**, maintaining an office in **Florham Park, NJ**, duly authorized to transact business in the State of **Florida** (hereinafter, the "Surety") does hereby consent and agree with the bid of **HST Utility, Inc.** (hereinafter, the "Principal"), as principal, for **Contract 25-C-00038- Citywide Water Meter Replacement** (hereafter the "Contract") be accepted and the Contract shall be properly and lawfully awarded to the Principal in the amount not to exceed the Principal's bid, the Surety shall execute and deliver to the Principal a bond(s) for the faithful performance of the Contract in such form as may set forth in, and as required by, the bid specifications, solicitation or advertisement (hereinafter, the "Bid Documents").

This Consent of Surety shall remain in force and effect for so long as the Bid Documents provide for acceptance of the Principal's bid or execution of the Contract. If no such period is set forth in the Bid Documents, for 90 days after bid opening, or as otherwise may be required by statute or regulation, whichever period is longer, unless the Principal and the Surety shall agree in writing to a longer period.

This Consent of Surety has been signed, sealed and dated on **September 16, 2025**

ATTEST:


Destiny Perez, Witness

Bondex Insurance Company


Philip S. Tobey, Attorney In fact

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SURETY

State of New Jersey -
County of Morris]-ss.

On September 16, 2025 before me personally came **Philip S. Tobey** to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he is an **Attorney-in-Fact of Bondex Insurance Company** the corporation described in and which executed the within instrument; that he knows the corporate seal, and that he signed that the said instrument and affixed the said seal as Attorney-in-Fact by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation and by authority of this office under the Standing Resolutions thereof

My commission expires:



Notary Public

POWER OF ATTORNEY
Bondex Insurance Company

Bond Number **BID BOND**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Bondex Insurance Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having its principal office in Atlanta, County of Cobb, State of Georgia, does hereby appoint:

Philip S. Tobey, Lionel D. Jorge, Jeffrey R. Bauman, Megan C. Bauer

its true and lawful Attorney(s) in Fact, with full power and authority to execute on its behalf bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and other contracts of indemnity and writings obligatory in nature thereof, issued in the course of its business and to bind the Company in an amount not to exceed Twelve Million and 00/100 dollars

This Power of Attorney is granted and is signed and sealed by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Bondex Insurance Company at a meeting duly called and held on the 7th day of March, 2007.

RESOLVED that the Chief Executive Officer, President, Vice President or Secretary, shall have the power and authority

1. To appoint Attorney(s) in-Fact and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, and attach the seal of the Company thereto bonds and undertakings, contracts of indemnity and other writing obligatory in the nature thereof and,
2. To remove, at any time, any such Attorney-in-Fact and revoke any authority given

RESOLVED FURTHER that the signatures of such officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signatures or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by facsimile signatures and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached as though manually affixed

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, BONDEX INSURANCE COMPANY has caused its seal to be affixed hereto and executed by its President on the 27th day of June, 2024.

BONDEX INSURANCE COMPANY

BY Philip S. Tobey
Philip S. Tobey, President

State of GEORGIA
County of COBB

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On this 27th day of June, 2024, before me, a notary public, personally appeared Antonio R. Barnett, personally known to me, who being duly sworn did say that he is the President of Bondex Insurance Company, the Corporation described in the foregoing instrument, and that the Seal affixed to said instrument is the said Corporate Seal and that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said Corporation by authority of its Board of Directors

In Testimony Whereof I have set my hand and affixed my official Seal, the day and year first written above.



BY Mara Buffington
Name: Mara Buffington
Notary Public

CERTIFICATE

I, J. Stephen Berry, Secretary of Bondex Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney and the resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said company as set forth above, are true and correct transcripts thereof and that neither the said Power of Attorney nor the resolution have been revoked and they are now in full force and effect

Signed and Sealed at Atlanta, Georgia this 16th day of September, 2025



BY J. Stephen Berry
J. Stephen Berry, Secretary

WARNING: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files and application for insurance of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of mis-leading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

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DMI 10 Form

Failure to Complete, Sign and Submit Forms 10, 20, & 50 SHALL render the Bid or Proposal Non-Responsive



Page 1 of 2 – DMI Solicited/Utilized Schedules
City of Tampa – Schedule of All Solicited Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers)
(DMI 10 Form)

Contract No.: 25-C-00038 Contract Name: Citywide Water Meter Replacement
Company Name: HST Utility, Inc. Address: 7901 4th St. N Ste 300, Saint Petersburg, FL 33702-4399
Federal ID: 92-3329318 Phone: 800-899-4858 Fax: Email: msadowski@hstutility.com

Check applicable box(es). Detailed Instructions for completing this form are on page 2 of 4.

- ☒ No Firms were contacted or solicited for this contract.
- ☒ No Firms were contacted because: We perform all work with our personnel
- ☐ See attached list of additional Firms solicited and all supplemental information (List must comply with this form)

Note: Form DMI-10 must list ALL subcontractors solicited

NIGP Code Categories: Buildings = 909, General = 912, Heavy = 913, Trades = 914, Architects = 906, Engineers & Surveyors = 925, Supplier = 912-77

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It is hereby certified that the information provided is an accurate and true account of contacts and solicitations for sub-contracting opportunities on this contract.

Signed: Matt Sadowski Name/Title: Matt Sadowski, Sales Account Manager Date: 9/16/25

Failure to Complete, Sign and Submit Forms 10, 20, & 50 SHALL render the Bid or Proposal Non-Responsive
Forms must be included with Bid / Proposal

DMI 10 rev./effective 08/2025

DMI 20 Form

Failure to Complete, Sign, and Submit Forms 10, 20, & 50 SHALL render the Bid or Proposal Non-Responsive

Tampa

Page 1 of 2 – DMI Solicited/**Utilized** Schedules

City of Tampa – Schedule of **All To-Be-Utilized** Sub-(Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers) (DMI 20 Form)

Contract No.: 25-C-00038 Contract Name: Citywide Water Meter Replacement

Company Name: HST Utility, Inc. Address: 7901 4th St N Ste 300 Saint Petersburg, FL 33702-4399

Federal ID: 92-3329318 Phone: 800-899-4858 Fax: Email: msadowski@hstutility.com

Check applicable box(es). Detailed Instructions for completing this form are on page 4 of 4.

☐ See attached list of additional Firms Utilized and all supplemental information (List must comply with this form)

Note: Form DMI-20 must list ALL subcontractors To-Be-Utilized.

☒ No Subcontracting/consulting (of any kind) will be performed on this contract.

☒ No Firms are listed to be utilized because: We perform all work with our personnel

NIGP Code General Categories: Buildings = 909, General = 912, Heavy = 913, Trades = 914, Architects = 906, Engineers & Surveyors = 925, Supplier = 912-77

Enter "S" for firms Certified as Small Local Business Enterprises; "O" for Other Non-Certified

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Total ALL Subcontract / Supplier Utilization \$	N/A
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Total SLBE Utilization \$ N/A

Percent SLBE Utilization of Total Bid/Proposal Amt.	%
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It is hereby certified that the following information is a true and accurate account of utilization for sub-contracting opportunities on this Contract.

Signed: Matt Sadowski Name/Title: Matt Sadowski, Sales Account Manager Date: 9/16/25

Failure to Complete, Sign and Submit Forms 10, 20, & 50 SHALL render the Bid or Proposal Non-Responsive Forms must be included with Bid / Proposal

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City of Tampa

Jane Castor, Mayor

Equal Business Opportunity Division

Bertha M. Mitchell, Manager

2555 East Hanna Avenue

Tampa, Florida 33610

Office (813) 274-5522

Fax: (813) 274-5544

DATE: October 27, 2025
TO: Richard Mutterback, Director, Contract Administration Department
FROM: Bertha M. Mitchell, Manager, Equal Business Opportunity Division
RE: EBO Bid Compliance Evaluation - GFECF Solicitation and Utilization Audit

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bertha M. Mitchell".

PROJECT: 25-C-00038; Citywide Water Meter Replacement
1st LOW BIDDER: HST Utility, Inc
BID AMOUNT: \$2,870,541.00
Subcontract Goal: Not applicable
Goal Attainment: 0%
Good Faith Effort Compliance: Compliant-Met Requirements

The Equal Business Opportunity Office evaluated the Good Faith Effort Compliance Plan (GFECF) submitted by the 1st Low Bidder, HST Utility, Inc., and determined they had complied with the requirements of the Equal Business Opportunity Program (EBO) at the time of bid. (Please see below for details)

- ☐ Performed meaningful action steps to **identify and directly** solicit certified firms and eligible companies from the provided Minimum Contact list and/or the available online Directory
- ☒ **Accurately and correctly** completed and submitted the DMI 10, 20 or 50 Forms
- ☐ Submitted **supporting documentation** of solicitation attempts, which is noted/marked on the DMI 50 Form

Compliance Statement: Pursuant to the Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Division review, HST Utility, Inc. has fully complied with the GFECF requirements and will self-perform the contract in its entirety.