



Agreement for Construction Services

This Agreement ("Agreement") between Williamson County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas ("Owner") and RHB Construction ("Contractor") is entered into in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

ARTICLE 1 SCOPE OF WORK: The Owner desires to retain Contractor to provide the construction services described herein. The Contractor shall have the overall responsibility for and shall provide complete construction services and furnish all materials, equipment, tools and labor as necessary or reasonably inferable to complete the following described construction services, or any phase of such services, in accordance with the Owner's requirements and the terms of this Agreement (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Work"):

As described in the IFB Solicitation # 1806-237, Metal Beam Guard Fence In Place; including the specifications set forth therein, which is incorporated herein as if copied in full.

ARTICLE 2 CONTRACT PRICE: Owner agrees to pay to the Contractor, for the satisfactory performance of the Work, the not-to-exceed amount of Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Dollars and Zero Cents (\$279,470.00) in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS: The Work shall be performed pursuant to and in accordance with the following described plans and specifications, as well as any revisions made thereto:

As described in the IFB Solicitation # 1806-237, including the specifications set forth therein, which is incorporated herein as if copied in full.

Additional Work: Should Owner choose to add additional work; such additional work shall be described in a separate written amendment to this Agreement wherein the additional work shall be described, and the parties shall set forth the amount of compensation to be paid by Owner for the additional work. Contractor shall not begin any additional work and Owner shall not be obligated to pay for any additional work unless a written amendment to this Agreement has been signed by both parties.

ARTICLE 4 SUBSTANTIAL AND FINAL COMPLETION:

4.1 Commencement of Work. Contractor shall commence the Work upon instruction to do so from the Owner and Construction shall be deemed to have commenced on the date of such instruction.

ARTICLE 5 PAYMENT:

Contractor shall have a duty to submit to the ODR by the end of each month a statement showing the total value of the Work performed during such month. The statement shall also include the value of all sound materials delivered on the Work site and to be included in the Work and all partially completed Work, whether bid as a lump sum or a unit item, which in the opinion of the ODR is acceptable. The ODR shall examine and approve or modify and approve such statement. The Owner shall then pay the Contractor pursuant to Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code ("Texas Prompt Payment Act"), as set forth in Article 11.1 of this Agreement, the total amount of the approved statement less all previous payments and all further sums that may be retained by the Owner under the terms of this Agreement or under the law. **Statements are not considered "received" until reviewed by the ODR and an approved statement is submitted to the Williamson County Auditor's Office; therefore, Contractor must ensure timely delivery of statements for review and processing.**

At any time following the completion of all Work, including all punch list items, cleanup, and the delivery of record documents, the Contractor shall submit a certified application for final payment, including all sums held as retainage if any, to the ODR for its review and approval. Contractor shall submit, prior to or with the application for final payment, final copies of all close out documents, including maintenance and operating instructions, guarantees and warranties, certificates, and all other items required by this Agreement. Contractor shall also submit consent of surety to final payment, an affidavit that all payrolls, bills for materials and equipment, subcontracted work and other indebtedness connected with the Work, except as specifically noted, have been paid or will be paid or otherwise satisfied within the period of time required by Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code. Contractor shall furnish documentation establishing payment or satisfaction of all such obligations, such as receipts, releases and waivers of claims arising out of the Agreement. Owner is entitled to rely upon this affidavit and the Contractor may not submit a claim on behalf of a subcontractor or vendor if that claim has not been noted as an exception in the affidavit.

Owner may deduct from the final payment all sums due from Contractor for any reason, Liquidated Damages and all other deductions authorized by this Agreement.

Final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the Contractor except those specifically identified in writing and submitted to the ODR prior to the application for final payment. Provided, however, that the Work shall not be deemed fully performed by the Contractor and closed until the expiration of all warranty periods.

ARTICLE 6 CONTRACTOR'S GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND COVENANTS:

6.1 Contractor shall perform all services specifically allocated to it hereunder, as well as those services reasonably inferable and necessary for completion of the Work. The Contractor shall keep the Owner informed of the progress and quality of the Work. Contractor agrees and acknowledges that Owner is entering into this Agreement in reliance on Contractor's represented expertise and ability to provide the Work described in this Agreement. Contractor agrees to use its best efforts, skill, judgment, and abilities to perform its obligations in accordance with the highest standards used in the profession and to further the interests of Owner in accordance with Owner's requirements and procedures.

6.6 Contractor shall identify every subcontractor it intends to use for the Work to the Owner in writing at least ten (10) days before entering into any subcontract. Contractor shall not use any subcontractor to which Owner has a reasonable objection. If Owner does not object to a particular subcontractor with said ten (10) days, such subcontract may be considered acceptable to Owner. Following Owner's acceptance of a subcontractor, that subcontractor shall not be changed without Owner's written consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

6.7 Contractor's designated representative, which is set forth below Contractor's signature herein below, shall be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Work on behalf of Contractor. The designated representative shall be the Owner's primary contact during the Work and shall be available as required for the benefit of the Work and the Owner. The contractor's designated representative shall be authorized to act on behalf of and bind the Contractor in all matters related to the Work including, but not limited to, execution of Change Orders.

6.8 NO ALTERATIONS OR CHANGES SHALL BE MADE, HOWEVER, EXCEPT UPON THE WRITTEN ORDER OF THE OWNER, OR THE ODR.

6.9 Contractor shall promptly correct any defective Work at Contractor's sole expense, unless the Owner specifically agrees, in writing, to accept the Work.

6.10 Contractor shall maintain and deliver the close out documents that describe changes or deviations from the original drawings, specifications and plans that occurred during construction and that reflect the actual "As Built" conditions of the completed Work.

COMMISSIONING AND WARRANTY RESPONSIBILITIES

6.11 Contractor shall provide commissioning, starting and check-out services for the systems installed as a part of the Work prior to completion and acceptance. Operation manuals and instructions will be provided to the Owner, the systems will be demonstrated and training provided to Williamson County's operators upon completion and prior to acceptance.

6.12 Contractor hereby warrants that the materials and equipment provided for the Work will be of good quality and new unless otherwise required or permitted by the Owner; that the construction will be free from faults and defects; and that the construction will conform with the requirements of the plans, specifications, drawings and the terms of this Agreement.

6.13 Contractor shall provide warranty services for the Work for a full **12 months** (30 months for Work involving mechanical services, if any) following Final Completion and final payment. Just before the warranty period expires, Contractor shall attend an on-site meeting with the Owner to ensure that all warranty issues have been identified and properly remedied.

ARTICLE 7 OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

7.1 The Owner shall:

- a. provide the general schedule for the Work provided Owner is of the opinion such schedule is necessary. The general schedule will set forth the Owner's plan for milestone dates and completion of the Work;
- b. identify a person as its ODR who is authorized to act in the Owner's behalf with respect to the Work. The ODR shall examine the documents submitted by the Contractor and shall render decisions on behalf of the Owner to the extent allowed by Texas law;

- d. Comprehensive automobile and auto liability insurance (covering owned, hired, leased and non-owned vehicles):

COVERAGE	PER PERSON	PER OCCURRENCE
Bodily injury (including death)	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Property damage	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Aggregate policy limits	No aggregate limit	

- e. Builder's Risk Insurance
(*all risks*)

An all risks policy shall be in the amount equal at all times to 100% of the Contract Sum. The policy shall include coverage for loss or damage caused by certified acts of terrorism as defined in the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act. The policy shall be issued in the name of the Contractor and shall name his Subcontractors as additional insureds. The Owner shall be named as a loss payee on the policy. The builders risk policy shall have endorsements as follow:

1. This insurance shall be specific as to coverage and not considered as contributing insurance with any permanent insurance maintained on the present premises. If off-site storage is permitted, coverage shall include transit and storage in an amount sufficient to protect property being transported or stored.
2. For renovation projects and or portions of work contained within an existing structure, the Owner waives subrogation for damage by fire to existing building structure(s), if the Builder's Risk Policy has been endorsed to include coverage for existing building structure(s) in the amount described in the Special Conditions. However, Contractor shall not be required to obtain such an endorsement unless specifically required by the Special Conditions., in this Agreement. The aforementioned waiver of subrogation shall not be effective unless such endorsement is obtained.

- f. Umbrella coverage in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000.

8.1.2 The above insurance requirements are not intended to be compounded with the Contractor's standing insurance policies. If the Contractor already has in force insurance policies which provide the required coverage, there is no need to purchase duplicate coverage for this Work.

- d. If the Coverage period shown on the Contractor's current Certificate of Coverage ends during the Duration of the Work, the Contractor must, prior to the end of the Coverage period, file a new Certificate of Coverage with the Owner showing that Coverage has been extended.
- e. The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services in relation to the Work, and provide to the Owner:
 - (1) a Certificate of Coverage, prior to that person beginning any of the Work, so the Owner will have on file Certificates of Coverage showing Coverage for all persons providing services in relation to the Work; and
 - (2) no later than seven days after receipt by the Contractor, a new Certificate of Coverage showing extension of Coverage, if the Coverage period shown on the current Certificate of Coverage ends during the Duration of the Work.
- f. The Contractor shall retain all required Certificates of Coverage for the Duration of the Work and for one year thereafter.
- g. The Contractor shall notify the Owner in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within 10 days after the Contractor knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of Coverage of any person providing services in relation to the Work.
- h. The Contractor shall post on the Work site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission, informing all persons providing services in relation to the Work that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify Coverage and report lack of Coverage.
- i. By signing this Agreement or providing or causing to be provided a Certificate of Coverage, the Contractor is representing to the Owner that all employees of the Contractor who will provide services in relation to the Work and all persons providing services in relation to the Work will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the Duration of the Work, that the coverage will be based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts, and that all coverage agreements will be filed with the appropriate insurance carrier or, in the case of a self-insured, with the commission's Division of Self-Insurance Regulation. Providing false or misleading information may subject the Contractor to administrative penalties, criminal penalties, civil penalties, or other civil actions.
- j. The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of Agreement by the Contractor which entitles the Owner to declare the Agreement void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the Owner.

8.1.5 The furnishing of the above listed insurance coverage must be tendered prior to execution of the Agreement, and in no event later than ten (10) calendar days from Notice of Award. Failure to provide the insurance in a timely fashion may result in loss of Contractor's bid bond.

8.1.6 The Contractor shall not cause or allow any of its required insurance to be canceled, nor permit any insurance to lapse during the term of the Agreement or as required in the Agreement. If the Contractor fails to obtain, maintain or renew any insurance required by this Agreement, the Owner may, among other remedies available hereunder or at law, obtain insurance coverage directly and recover the cost of that insurance from the Contractor or declare this Agreement void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of breach from the Owner.

8.2 INDEMNITY.

8.2.1 INDEMNIFICATION - EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF OWNER'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS OWNER, AND OWNER'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") AND SHALL ASSUME ENTIRE RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY (OTHER THAN AS A RESULT OF INDEMNITEES' GROSS NEGLIGENCE) FOR ANY CLAIM OR ACTION BASED ON OR ARISING OUT OF THE PERSONAL INJURY, OR DEATH, OF ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE CONTRACTOR, OR OF ANY SUBCONTRACTOR, OR OF ANY OTHER ENTITY FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, WHICH OCCURRED OR WAS ALLEGED TO HAVE OCCURRED ON THE WORK SITE OR IN CONNECTION WITH THE PERFORMANCE OF THE WORK. CONTRACTOR HEREBY INDEMNIFIES THE INDEMNITEES EVEN TO THE EXTENT THAT SUCH PERSONAL INJURY WAS CAUSED OR ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE SOLE, COMPARATIVE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE OF THE STRICT LIABILITY OF ANY INDEMNIFIED PARTY. THIS INDEMNIFICATION SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO DAMAGES, COMPENSATION, OR BENEFITS PAYABLE UNDER INSURANCE POLICIES, WORKERS COMPENSATION ACTS, DISABILITY BENEFITS ACTS, OR OTHER EMPLOYEES BENEFIT ACTS.

8.2.2 INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER THAN EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, CONTRACTOR SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF OWNER'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS OWNER, AND OWNER'S EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, PARTNERS, OFFICERS, AND DIRECTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "INDEMNITEES") FROM AND AGAINST CLAIMS, DAMAGES, LOSSES AND EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ATTORNEYS' FEES, ARISING OUT OF OR ALLEGED TO BE RESULTING FROM THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT OR THE WORK DESCRIBED HEREIN, TO THE EXTENT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE, ACTS, ERRORS, OR OMISSIONS OF CONTRACTOR OR ITS SUBCONTRACTORS, ANYONE EMPLOYED BY THEM OR ANYONE FOR WHOSE ACTS THEY MAY BE LIABLE, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT SUCH CLAIM, DAMAGE, LOSS OR EXPENSE IS CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY A PARTY INDEMNIFIED HEREUNDER.

8.3 Except for the obligation of Owner to pay Contractor the Contract Price pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, and to perform certain other obligations pursuant to the terms and conditions explicitly set forth herein, Owner shall have no liability to Contractor or to anyone claiming through or under Contractor by reason of the execution or performance of this Agreement. Notwithstanding any obligation or liability of Owner to Contractor, no present or future partner or affiliate of Owner or any agent, officer, director, or employee of Owner, Williamson County, or of the various departments comprising Williamson County, or anyone claiming under Owner has or shall have any personal liability to Contractor or to anyone claiming through or under Contractor by reason of the execution or performance of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 9 BONDS

9.1 Performance Bond. Upon execution of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide a Performance Bond in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price. The surety for a Performance Bond shall meet the requirements of Texas law.

11.2 Assignment; Successors and Assigns. This Agreement is a personal service contract for the services of Contractor, and Contractor's interest in this Agreement, duties hereunder and/or fees due hereunder may not be assigned or delegated to a third party. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

11.3 Captions. The captions of paragraphs in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be considered or referred to in resolving questions of interpretation or construction.

11.4 Governing Law and Venue. This Agreement and all of the rights and obligations of the parties and all of the terms and conditions shall be construed, interpreted and applied in accordance with and governed by and enforced under the laws of the State of Texas without reference to its conflicts of law provisions. Williamson County where the Work site is located shall be the sole place of venue for any legal action arising from or related to this Agreement or the project in which the Owner is a party.

11.5 Waivers. No delay or omission by either party in exercising any right or power arising from non-compliance or failure of performance by the other party with any of the provisions of this Agreement shall impair or constitute a waiver of any such right or power. A waiver by either party of any covenant or condition of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach of that or of any other covenant or condition of the Agreement.

11.6 Interpretation. In the event of any dispute over the meaning or application of any provision of the Contract Documents, the Contract Documents shall be interpreted fairly and reasonably, and neither more strongly for or against any party, regardless of the actual drafter of the Contract Documents.

11.7 Binding Effect. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective permitted assigns and successors.

11.8 Appointment. Owner hereby expressly reserves the right from time to time to designate by notice to Contractor a representative(s) to act partially or wholly for Owner in connection with the performance of Owner's obligations. Contractor shall act only upon instructions from the designated representative(s) unless otherwise specifically notified to the contrary.

11.9 Audits. Contractor agrees that Owner or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Agreement, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Contractor which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Agreement for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Contractor agrees that Owner shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Contractor facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate work space in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. Owner shall give Contractor reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

11.10 Severability. Should any term or provision of this Agreement be held invalid or unenforceable in any respect, the remaining terms and provisions shall not be affected and this Agreement shall be construed as if the invalid or unenforceable term or provision had never been included.

11.11 No Waiver of Immunities. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed to waive, modify or amend any legal defense available at law or in equity to Owner, its past or present officers, employees, or agents, nor to create any legal rights or claim on behalf of any third party. Owner does not waive, modify, or alter to any extent whatsoever the availability of the defense of governmental immunity under the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.

11.18 Reports of Accidents. Within 24 hours after Contractor becomes aware of the occurrence of any accident or other event which results in, or might result in, injury to the person or property of any third person (other than an employee of the Contractor), whether or not it results from or involves any action or failure to act by the Contractor or any employee or agent of the Contractor and which arises in any manner from the performance of this Agreement, the Contractor shall send a written report of such accident or other event to the County, setting forth a full and concise statement of the facts pertaining thereto. The Contractor shall also immediately send the County a copy of any summons, subpoena, notice, or other documents served upon the Contractor, its agents, employees, or representatives, or received by it or them, in connection with any matter before any court arising in any manner from the Contractor's performance of work under this Agreement.

11.19 Relationship of the Parties. Each party to this Agreement, in the performance of this Agreement, shall act in an individual capacity and not as agents, employees, partners, joint ventures or associates of one another. The employees or agents of one party shall not be deemed or construed to be the employees or agents of the other party for any purposes whatsoever.

11.20 Appropriation of Funds by Owner. Owner believes it has sufficient funds currently available and authorized for expenditure to finance the costs of this Agreement. Contractor understands and agrees that the Owner's payment of amounts under this Agreement is contingent on the Owner receiving appropriations or other expenditure authority sufficient to allow the Owner, in the exercise of reasonable administrative discretion, to continue to make payments under this Agreement.

11.21 Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which, when executed and delivered, shall be deemed to be an original and all of which together shall constitute one and the same document.

11.22 Entire Agreement. This Agreement represents the entire and integrated agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either oral or written. This Agreement may be amended only by written instrument signed by each party to this Agreement. NO OFFICIAL, EMPLOYEE, AGENT, OR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE OWNER HAS ANY AUTHORITY, EITHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, TO AMEND THIS AGREEMENT, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO SUCH EXPRESS AUTHORITY AS MAY BE GRANTED BY THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT.

BY SIGNING BELOW, the Parties have executed and bound themselves to this Agreement to be effective as of the date of the last party's execution hereof (Effective Date).

OWNER:

WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS,
a political subdivision of the state of Texas

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Party Representatives

Owner's Designated Representative ("ODR"):

Phone _____

Fax _____

CONTRACTOR:

RHB Construction

By: 

Printed Name: Tracey Hummel

Title: president

Date: 08-01-18

Contractor's Designated Representative:

Ron Hummel

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