
**WILLIAMSON COUNTY
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
FOR
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH
PARKHILL, SMITH & COOPER INC.**

This Professional Services Contract for Electrical Engineering Services (hereinafter “Contract”) is made and entered into by and between **Williamson County, Texas** (“County”), a political subdivision of the State of Texas, acting herein by and through its governing body, and **PARKHILL, SMITH & COOPER INC.**, (hereinafter “Service Provider”), both of which are referred to herein as the parties. The County agrees to engage Service Provider as an independent contractor, to provide certain services pursuant to the following terms, conditions, and restrictions:

I.

Services: Service Provider shall provide services *as an independent contractor* pursuant to terms of this Contract. Service Provider expressly acknowledges that it is not an employee of the County. The Scope of Services include the services and work described in the attached **Exhibit “A,”** which is incorporated herein.

Should the County choose to add services in addition to those described in **Exhibit “A”**, such additional services shall be described in a separate written amendment to this Contract wherein the additional services shall be described and the parties shall set forth the amount of compensation to be paid by the County for the additional services. Service Provider shall not begin any additional services and the County shall not be obligated to pay for any additional services unless a written amendment to this Contract has been signed by both parties.

II.

Effective Date and Term: The term of this Contract shall commence upon the last party’s execution hereof and shall continue thereafter in full force and effect until terminated by either party in accordance with the terms hereof.

III.

Consideration and Compensation: Service Provider will be compensated the fixed sum fee set out in **Exhibit “A”** following final completion of the Scope of Services.

County’s payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. An invoice shall be deemed overdue the 31st day after the later of (1) the date the County receives the goods under the contract; (2) the date the performance of the

service under the contract is completed; or (3) the date the Williamson County Auditor receives an invoice for the goods or services. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by the County in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2251.025. More specifically, the rate of interest that shall accrue on a late payment is the rate in effect on September 1 of the County's fiscal year in which the payment becomes due. The said rate in effect on September 1 shall be equal to the sum of one percent (1%); and (2) the prime rate published in the Wall Street Journal on the first day of July of the preceding fiscal year that does not fall on a Saturday or Sunday.

IV.

No Agency Relationship & Indemnification: It is understood and agreed that Service Provider shall not in any sense be considered a partner or joint venturer with the County, nor shall Service Provider hold itself out as an agent or official representative of the County. Service Provider shall be considered an independent contractor for the purpose of this Contract and shall in no manner incur any expense or liability on behalf of the County other than what may be expressly allowed under this Contract. The County will not be liable for any loss, cost, expense or damage, whether indirect, incidental, punitive, exemplary, consequential of any kind whatsoever for any acts by Service Provider or failure to act relating to the services being provided.

V.

INDEMNIFICATION - EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS: TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY, AND THE COUNTY'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 SERVICE PROVIDER, 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. SERVICE PROVIDER 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.

INDEMNIFICATION - OTHER THAN EMPLOYEE PERSONAL INJURY CLAIMS: TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, SERVICE PROVIDER SHALL INDEMNIFY, DEFEND (WITH COUNSEL OF THE COUNTY'S CHOOSING), AND HOLD HARMLESS THE COUNTY, AND THE COUNTY'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 SERVICE PROVIDER 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.

VI.

No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity or Powers: Nothing in this Contract will be deemed to constitute a waiver of sovereign immunity or powers of the County, the Williamson County Commissioners Court, or the Williamson County Judge.

VII.

Compliance With All Laws: Service Provider agrees and will comply with any and all local, state or federal requirements with respect to the services rendered. Any alterations, additions, or deletions to the terms of the Contract that are required by changes in federal, state or local law or regulations are automatically incorporated into the Contract without written amendment hereto, and shall become effective on the date designed by such law or by regulation.

VIII.

Termination: This Contract may be terminated at any time at the option of either party, without future or prospective liability for performance, upon giving thirty (30) days written notice thereof.

IX.

Venue and Applicable Law: Venue of this Contract shall be Williamson County, Texas, and the laws of the State of Texas shall govern all terms and conditions.

X.

Severability: In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Contract shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision in this Contract and this Contract shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal, or unenforceable provision had never been contained in it.

XI.

Right to Audit: Service Provider agrees that the County or its duly authorized representatives shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after final payment under this Contract, have access to and the right to examine and photocopy any and all books, documents, papers and records of Service Provider which are directly pertinent to the services to be performed under this Contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions. Service Provider agrees that the County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Service Provider facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate workspace in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. The County shall

give Service Provider reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

XII.

Good Faith Clause: Service Provider agrees to act in good faith in the performance of this Contract.

XIII.

No Assignment: Service Provider may not assign this Contract.

XIV.

Confidentiality: Service Provider expressly agrees that he or she will not use any incidental confidential information that may be obtained while working in a governmental setting for his or her own benefit, and agrees that he or she will not enter any unauthorized areas or access confidential information and he or she will not disclose any information to unauthorized third parties, and will take care to guard the security of the information at all times.

XV.

Foreign Terrorist Organizations: Service Provider represents and warrants that it is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization, as prohibited by Section 2252.152 of the Texas Government Code.

XVI.

Public Information: Service Provider understands that County will comply with the Texas Public Information Act as interpreted by judicial ruling and opinions of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. Information, documentation, and other material in connection with this Purchase Order or any resulting contract may be subject to public disclosure pursuant to the Texas Public Information Act.

XVII.

Damage to County Property: Service Provider shall be liable for all damage to county-owned, leased, or occupied property and equipment caused by Service Provider and its employees, agents, subcontractors, and suppliers, including any delivery or transporting company, in connection with any performance pursuant to this Contract. Service Provider shall notify County in writing of any such damage within one (1) calendar day.

XVIII.

Media Releases: Service Provider shall not use County's name, logo, or other likeness in any press release, marketing materials, or other announcement without the County's prior written approval.

XIX.

Authorized Expenses: In the event County authorizes, in advance and in writing, reimbursement of non-labor expenses related to the services subject of this Contract, County will pay such actual non-labor expenses in strict accordance with the Williamson County Vendor Reimbursement Policy (as amended), which is incorporated into and made a part of this Contract by reference. The Williamson County Vendor Reimbursement Policy can be found at: [WilliamsonCountyVendorReimbursementPolicyMarch2023.pdf \(wilco.org\)](#). Invoices requesting reimbursement for authorized non-labor expenses must be accompanied by copies of the provider's invoice and clearly set forth the actual cost of the expenses, without markup.

XX.

Entire Contract & Incorporated Documents; Conflicting Terms: This Contract constitutes the entire Contract between the parties and may not be modified or amended other than by a written instrument executed by both parties. Documents expressly incorporated into this Contract include the following:

Proposal for Professional Services **marked as Exhibit "A,"**

The County reserves the right and sole discretion to determine the controlling provisions where there is any conflict between the terms of this Contract and the terms of any other purchase order(s), contract(s) or any document attached hereto as exhibits relating to the services and goods subject of this Contract.

XXII.

County Judge or Presiding Officer Authorized to Sign Contract: The presiding officer of the County's governing body who is authorized to execute this instrument by order duly recorded may execute this Contract on behalf of the County.

[SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW]

WITNESS that this Contract shall be effective as of the date of the last party's execution below.

WILLIAMSON COUNTY:

Authorized Signature

Printed Name

Date: _____, 20____

PARKHILL, SMITH & COOPER INC.:

Jamie Zavodny

Authorized Signature

Jamie Zavodny

Printed Name

Date: _____ April 7 _____, 20_25

Exhibit “A”
Scope of Services, Schedule and Compensation

Project Description

Service Provider shall review and confirm capacity of (4) four proposed generators for the Williamson County Expo Center campus for the purpose of Williamson County filing for a grant.

Scope of Services

Service Provider will provide professional electrical engineering services to review and verify that the proposed (4) generators can support the required load for the Williamson County Expo Center campus. Additionally, Service Provider will issue a letter for the grant funding process.

Schedule

On or before the eighteenth (18th) calendar day following County’s issuance of a Notice to Proceed (NTP), Service Provider shall complete and provide County with all services and information on the generators and campus.

Compensation

Service Provider’s fee for the Scope of Services described above will be a fixed sum fee in the amount of \$5,000.