



Agreement for Construction Services

This Agreement for Construction Services (“Agreement”) between Williamson County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas (“County”) and Intelligent Conservation Systems, Inc. (“Contractor”) is entered into in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

ARTICLE 1 PROJECT; WORK: The County desires to retain Contractor for the construction and installation of repairs and upgrades to plumbing fixtures on the Williamson County Jail North Floors 1, 2 & 3 (hereinafter called the “Project”). 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 Project, or any phase of the Project, in accordance with the County’s requirements and the terms of this Agreement (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Work”).

ARTICLE 2 CONTRACT PRICE: County agrees to pay to the Contractor, for the satisfactory performance of the Work, the sum of **FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$599,825.00)** in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 SCOPE OF WORK: The Work shall be performed pursuant to and in accordance with the Scope of Work being attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated by reference.

ARTICLE 4 CONTRACT TIME; LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:

4.1 Contract Time. Contractor shall achieve final completion on or before **March 1, 2024**. The time set forth for completion of the work is an essential element of the Agreement.

4.2 Liquidated Damages. Contractor acknowledges and recognizes that County is entitled to full and beneficial occupancy and use of the completed Work following expiration of the Contract Time and that County has entered into, or will enter into, binding agreements upon Contractor's achieving final completion of the Work within the Contract Time. Contractor further acknowledges and agrees that if Contractor fails to complete any phase of the Work within the Contract Time, County will sustain extensive damages and serious loss as a result of such failure. In the cases of missed scheduled events, which incur exact losses of revenue and exact expenses for fees and other cancellation costs, Contractor shall be responsible for the exact amount of damages sustained by County. In other cases, the exact amount of such damages will be extremely difficult to ascertain. Therefore, County and Contractor agree as set forth below:

- 4.2.1 Subject to the other terms and conditions herein, if final completion is not achieved by the date specified above or by such date to which the Contract Time may be extended, the Contract Price shall be reduced by FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) per calendar day as liquidated damages and not as a penalty, until the date of final completion. Force majeure shall apply relative to supply delays over which Contractor has no control, and such force majeure delays shall not be subject to such reduction of the Contract Price.
- 4.2.2 County may deduct liquidated damages described herein from any unpaid amounts then or thereafter due Contractor under this Agreement. Any liquidated damages not so deducted from any unpaid amounts due Contractor shall be payable by Contractor to County at the demand of County, together with the interest from the date of the demand at a rate equal to the prime interest rate as published by the Wall Street Journal on the first (1st) business day after such amounts are demanded.
- 4.2.3 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, if County is unable to recover any portion of liquidated damages in accordance with the terms and conditions herein because it is found to be unenforceable or invalid as a penalty or otherwise, then, County shall be entitled to recover from Contractor all of County's actual damages in connection with the failure by Contractor to achieve final completion of the Work within the Contract Time, including, without limitation, direct, indirect, or consequential damages.

ARTICLE 5 PAYMENT: Contractor shall receive one lump sum payment of the Contract Price upon final completion and acceptance of the Project. Contractor shall submit to Owner a written notice that the Work is ready for final inspection and acceptance and upon receipt of Contractor's application for payment, the Owner will make such inspection and, when the Owner finds the Work acceptable under the Agreement and the Agreement fully performed, the Owner will issue a payment for the entire balance found to be due the Contractor. All warranties and guarantees required under or pursuant to the Agreement shall be assembled and delivered by the Contractor to the Owner as part of the application for payment.

ARTICLE 6 CONTRACTOR'S GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND COVENANTS:

6.1 Contractor shall render, diligently and competently in accordance with the highest standards used in the profession, all Contractor services which shall be necessary or advisable for the expeditious, economical and satisfactory completion of the Project. Contractor agrees to use its best efforts, skill, judgment, and abilities to perform its obligations and to further the interests of County in accordance with County's requirements and procedures.

6.2 Contractor's duties as set forth herein shall at no time be in any way diminished by reason of any approval by the County nor shall the Contractor be released from any liability by reason of such approval by the County, it being understood that the County at all times is ultimately relying upon the Contractor's skill and knowledge in performing the services required hereunder.

6.3 Contractor is responsible for initiating, maintaining, and supervising all safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. The safety program shall comply with all applicable requirements of the current federal Occupational Safety and Health Act and all other applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.

6.4 Contractor shall be responsible for all construction means, methods, techniques, sequences and procedures, and for coordinating all portions of the Work. The Contractor shall keep the County informed of the progress and quality of the Work.

6.5 Insurance. Contractor shall carry insurance in the types and amounts indicated below for the duration of the Agreement, which shall include items owned by Owner in the care, custody and control of Contractor prior to and during construction. Contractor must also complete and file the declaration pages from the insurance policies with Owner whenever a previously identified policy period expires during the term of the Agreement, as proof of continuing coverage. Contractor shall update all expired policies prior to submission of any payment requests hereunder. Failure to update policies shall be reason for payment to be withheld until evidence for renewal is provided to the Owner. 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. All policies of insurance provided by the Contractor must comply with the requirements set forth herein, the Agreement and the laws of the State of Texas.

6.5.1 The Contractor shall provide and maintain, until the Work covered in the Agreement is completed and accepted by the Owner, the minimum insurance coverages in the minimum amounts as described below.

Type of Coverage	Limits of Liability
.1 Worker's Compensation	Statutory
.2 Employer's Liability	
Bodily Injury by Accident	\$500,000 Ea. Accident
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$500,000 Ea. Employee
Bodily Injury by Disease	\$500,000 Policy Limit
.3 Commercial general liability including completed operations and contractual liability insurance for bodily injury, death, or property damages in the following amounts:	
COVERAGES	PER OCCURRENCE
Commercial General Liability (including premises, completed operations and contractual)	\$1,000,000

Aggregate policy limits: \$2,000,000

.4 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	

.5 Builder's Risk Insurance (all-risks)

An all-risk policy, in the amount equal at all times to 100% of the Contract Price. 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 its 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:

- a. 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.
- b. 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. The aforementioned waiver of subrogation shall not be effective unless such endorsement is obtained.

.6. Flood insurance when specified in Supplementary General Conditions or Special Conditions.

.7 Umbrella coverage in the amount of not less than \$5,000,000.

6.5.2 Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage:

1. Definitions:

(a) Certificate of coverage ("certificate") - A copy of a certificate of insurance, a certificate of authority to self-insure issued by the Texas Workers' Compensation

Commission, or a coverage agreement (TWCC-81, TWCC-82, TWCC-83, or TWCC-84), showing statutory workers' compensation insurance coverage for the person's or entity's employees providing services on a project, for the duration of the Project.

(b) Duration of the Project - includes the time from the beginning of the work on the Project until the Contractor's/person's work on the Project has been completed and accepted by the Owner.

(c) Coverage – Workers' compensation insurance meeting the statutory requirements of the Texas Labor Code, §401.011(44).

(d) Persons providing services on the Project ("subcontractor") - includes all persons or entities performing all or part of the services the Contractor has undertaken to perform on the Project, regardless of whether that person contracted directly with the Contractor and regardless of whether that person has employees. This includes, without limitation, independent contractors, subcontractors, leasing companies, motor carriers, owner-operators, employees of any such entity, or employees of any entity which furnishes persons to provide services on the Project. "Services" include, without limitation, providing, hauling, or delivering equipment or materials, or providing labor, transportation, or other service related to a project. "Services" does not include activities unrelated to the Project, such as food/beverage vendors, office supply deliveries, and delivery of portable toilets.

2. The Contractor shall provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas Labor Code, §401.011(44) for all employees of the Contractor providing services on the Project, for the duration of the Project.

3. The Contractor must provide a certificate of coverage prior to execution of the Agreement.

4. If the coverage period shown on the Contractor's current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the Project, 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.

5. The Contractor shall obtain from each person providing services on a project, and provide to the Owner:

(a.) a certificate of coverage, prior to that person beginning work on the Project, so the Owner will have on file certificates of coverage showing coverage for all persons providing services on the Project; and

(b.) 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 Project.

6. The Contractor shall retain all required certificates of coverage for the duration of the Project and for one year thereafter.

7. 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 on the Project.

8. The Contractor shall post on each project site a notice, in the text, form and manner prescribed by the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission, informing all persons providing services on the Project that they are required to be covered, and stating how a person may verify coverage and report lack of coverage.

9. The Contractor shall contractually require each person with who it contracts to provide services on a project, to:

(a) provide coverage, based on proper reporting of classification codes and payroll amounts and filing of any coverage agreements, which meets the statutory requirements of Texas labor Code, Section 401.011(44) for all of its employees providing services on the Project, for the duration of the Project;

(b) provide to the Contractor, prior to that person beginning work on the Project, a certificate of coverage showing that coverage is being provided for all employees of the person providing services on the Project, for the duration of the Project;

(c) provide the Contractor, prior to the end of the coverage period, 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 Project;

(d) obtain from each other person with whom it contracts, and provide to the Contractor:

i. a certificate of coverage, prior to the other person beginning work on the Project; and

ii. a new certificate of coverage showing extension of coverage, prior to the end of the coverage period, if the coverage period shown on the current certificate of coverage ends during the duration of the Project;

(e) retain all required certificate of coverage on file for the duration of the Project and for one year thereafter;

(f) notify the Owner in writing by certified mail or personal delivery, within 10 days after the person knew or should have known, of any change that materially affects the provision of coverage of any person providing services on the Project; and

(g) contractually require each person with whom it contracts, to perform as required by paragraphs (a)-(g), with the certificates of coverage to be provided to the person for whom they are providing services.

10. By signing the 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 on the Project will be covered by workers' compensation coverage for the duration of the Project, 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.

11. The Contractor's failure to comply with any of these provisions is a breach of contract by the Contractor which entitles the Owner to declare the Agreement void if the Contractor does not remedy the breach within ten days after receipt of notice of breach from the Owner.
- 6.5.3** If insurance policies are not written for the amounts specified herein, Contractor shall carry Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance for any differences in amounts specified. If Excess Liability Insurance is provided, it shall follow the form of primary coverage.
- 6.5.4** Insurance coverage required hereunder shall be written on an occurrence basis by companies authorized and admitted to do business in the State of Texas and rated A- or better by A.M. Best Company, or otherwise acceptable to Owner.
- 6.5.5** The Owner (“Williamson County, Texas”), its officials, employees and volunteers shall be named as an additional insured on all required policies. These insurance policies shall contain the appropriate additional insured endorsement signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf.
- 6.5.6** Owner reserves the right to review the insurance requirements set forth herein during the Agreement and to make reasonable adjustments to the insurance coverage and their limits when deemed necessary and prudent by the Owner based upon changes in statutory law, court decisions, or the claims history of the industry as well as the Contractor.
- 6.5.7** Owner shall be entitled, upon request, and without expense, to receive complete copies of the policies with all endorsements and may make any reasonable requests for deletion, or revision or modification of particular policy terms, conditions, limitations, or exclusions, except where policy provisions are established by law or regulation binding upon the Parties or the underwriter of any of such policies. Damages caused by the Contractor and not covered by insurance shall be paid by the Contractor.
- 6.5.8** Contractor shall be responsible for payment of premiums for all of the insurance coverages required hereunder. Contractor further agrees that for each claim, suit or action made against insurance provided hereunder, with respect to all matters for which the Contractor is responsible hereunder, Contractor shall be solely responsible for all deductibles and self-insured retentions. Any deductibles or self-insured retentions over \$75,000 in the Contractor’s insurance must be declared and approved in writing by Owner in advance.
- 6.5.9** Contractor shall contractually require each person or entity with whom it contracts to provide services in relation to the Work, to comply with every insurance requirement that Contractor must comply with hereunder. More specifically, each person or entity with whom Contractor contracts to provide services on the in relation to the Work must comply with each insurance requirement hereunder just as if such person or entity was the Contractor. Thus, every reference to Contractor under each insurance requirement hereunder shall mean and include each person or entity with whom Contractor contracts to provide services in relation to the Work. If any such person or entity with whom Contractor contracts to provide services in relation to the Work fails to obtain, maintain or renew any

insurance required by this Agreement, 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.

ARTICLE 7 INDEMNITY

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

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

7.2 Except for the obligation of County 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, County 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 County to Contractor, no present or future partner or affiliate of County or any agent, officer, director, or employee of County, Williamson County, or of the various departments comprising Williamson County, or anyone claiming under County 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 8 WARRANTY

8.1 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 County; that the construction will be free from faults and defects; and that the construction will conform with the requirements of the Scope of Work, and any plans, specifications, drawings and the terms of this Agreement.

8.2 Contractor shall provide warranty services for the Work and parts for twelve months following final completion and final payment. Just before the warranty period expires, Owner may request that Contractor attend an on-site meeting with the County to ensure that all warranty issues have been identified and properly remedied.

ARTICLE 9 PREVAILING WAGE RATE

9.1 Duty to Pay Prevailing Wage Rates. The Contractor shall pay not less than the wage scale of the various classes of labor as shown on the “Prevailing Wage Schedule”, as defined below. The specified wage rates are minimum rates only and are not representations that qualified labor adequate to perform the Work is available locally at the prevailing wage rates. The Owner is not bound to pay—and will not consider—any claims for additional compensation made by any Contractor because the Contractor pays wages in excess of the applicable minimum rate contained in the Agreement. The “Prevailing Wage Schedule” is not a representation that quantities of qualified labor adequate to perform the Work may be found locally at the specified wage rates.

9.1.2 For classifications not shown, workers shall not be paid less than the wage indicated for Laborers. The Contractor shall notify each worker commencing work on the Project of the worker’s job classification and the established minimum wage rate required to be paid, as well as the actual amount being paid. The notice must be delivered to and signed in acknowledgement of receipt by the employee and must list both the monetary wages and fringe benefits to be paid or furnished for each classification in which the worker is assigned duties. When requested by Owner, competent evidence of compliance with the Texas Prevailing Wage Law shall be furnished by Contractor.

9.1.3 A copy of each worker wage rate notification shall be submitted to the Owner with any application for payment for the period during which the worker began on-site activities.

9.2 Prevailing Wage Schedule. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2258.022(2), the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the Agreement and the prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work shall be the most recent prevailing wage rate for Williamson County, Texas for building construction as determined by the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. Section 276a et seq.), and its subsequent amendments, which are published and can be obtained online at <https://sam.gov/search/?index=dbra> (the “Prevailing Wage Schedule”). Should the Contractor at any time become aware that a particular skill or trade not reflected on the Prevailing Wage Schedule will be or is being employed in the Work, whether by the Contractor or by a subcontractor, the Contractor shall promptly inform the Owner and shall specify a wage rate for that skill or trade, which shall bind

the Contractor.

9.3 Penalty for Violation. The Contractor and any subcontractor shall pay to the Owner a penalty of sixty dollars (\$60.00) for each worker employed for each calendar day, or portion thereof, that the worker is paid less than the wage rates stipulated in the Prevailing Wage Schedule or any supplement or update thereto pursuant to provisions above. The Contractor and each Subcontractor shall keep, or cause to be kept, an accurate record showing the names and occupations of all workers employed in connection with the Work and showing the actual per diem wages paid to each worker, which records shall be open at all reasonable hours for the inspection by the Owner.

9.4 Complaints of Violations of Prevailing Wage Rates. Within thirty-one (31) days of receipt of information concerning a violation of Texas Government Code, Chapter 2258, the Owner shall make an initial determination as to whether good cause exists to believe a violation occurred. The Owner's decision on the initial determination shall be reduced to writing and sent to the Contractor or Subcontractor against whom the violation was alleged, and to the affected worker. When a good cause finding is made, the Owner shall retain the full amounts claimed by the claimant or claimants as the difference between wages paid and wages due under the Prevailing Wage Schedule and any supplements thereto, together with the applicable penalties, such amounts being subtracted from successive progress payments pending a final decision on the violation.

9.5 Arbitration Required if Violation not Resolved. After the Owner makes its initial determination, the affected Contractor or Subcontractor and worker have fourteen (14) days in which to resolve the issue of whether a violation occurred, including the amount that should be retained by Owner or paid to the affected worker. If the Contractor or Subcontractor and affected worker reach an agreement concerning the worker's claim, the Contractor shall promptly notify the Owner in a written document signed by the worker. If the Contractor or Subcontractor and affected worker do not agree before the fifteenth (15th) day after the Owner's determination, the Contractor or Subcontractor and affected worker must participate in binding arbitration in accordance with the Texas General Arbitration Act, Chapter 171, Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code. The parties to the arbitration have ten (10) days after the expiration of the fifteen (15) days referred to above, to agree on an arbitrator; if by the eleventh (11th) day there is no agreement to an arbitrator, a district court shall appoint an arbitrator on the petition of any of the parties to the arbitration.

9.6 Arbitration Award. If an arbitrator determines that a violation has occurred, the arbitrator shall assess and award against the Contractor or Subcontractor the amount of penalty as provided herein and the amount owed the worker. The Owner may use any amounts retained hereunder to pay the worker the amount as designated in the arbitration award. If the Owner has not retained enough from the Contractor or Subcontractor to pay the worker in accordance with the arbitration award, the worker has a right of action against the Contractor and subcontractor as appropriate, and the surety of either to receive the amount owed, attorneys' fees and court costs. The Contractor shall promptly furnish a copy of the arbitration award to the Owner.

9.7 Prevailing Wage Retainage. Money retained pursuant to this section shall be used to pay the claimant or claimants the difference between the amount the worker received in wages for labor on the Project at the rate paid by the Contractor or Subcontractor and the amount the worker would have received at the general prevailing wage rate as provided by the agreement of the claimant and the

Contractor or Subcontractor affected, or in the arbitrator's award. The full statutory penalty of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per day of violation per worker shall be retained by the Owner to offset its administrative costs, pursuant to Texas Government Code, §2258.023. Any retained funds in excess of these amounts shall be paid to the Contractor on the earlier of the next progress payment or final payment. Provided, however, that the Owner shall have no duty to release any funds to either the claimant or the Contractor until it has received the notices of agreement, or the arbitration award as provided in this section.

9.8 No Extension of Time. If the Owner determines that good cause exists to believe a violation has occurred, the Contractor shall not be entitled to an extension of time for any delay arising directly or indirectly from of the procedures set forth in this section.

ARTICLE 10 BONDS

10.1 The Contractor is required to tender to Owner, prior to commencing the Work, performance and payment bonds, as required by law. In the event Contractor fails to provide such bonds within the time provided by the Agreement, Owner may immediately, upon notice of such failure, or within a reasonable time thereafter, at its sole option and discretion: (1) void this Agreement in its entirety; or (2) procure such bonds on behalf of the Contractor, deducting such amounts from the Contract Price.

10.2 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 and the requirements set forth in the Agreement. The form of the bond shall be approved by the Owner.

10.3 Payment Bond. Upon execution of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide a Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price, as security for the true and faithful payment in full of all subcontractors and persons performing labor, services, materials, machinery, and fixtures in connection with the Work. The surety for a Payment Bond shall meet the requirements of Texas law and the requirements set forth in the Agreement. The form of the bond shall be approved by the Owner.

10.4 Corporate sureties authorized to issue bonds shall be qualified and comply with relevant provisions of the Texas Insurance Code.

10.5 Each bond shall be executed by a corporate surety or sureties authorized to do business in the State of Texas and acceptable to the Owner. If any bond is for more than **ten percent (10%)** of the surety's capital and surplus, the Owner may require certification that the company has reinsured the excess portion with one or more reinsurers authorized, accredited, or trusted to do business in the State. A reinsurer may not reinsure for more than **ten percent (10%)** of its capital and surplus. If a surety upon a bond loses its authority to do business in the State, the Contractor shall within **thirty (30) calendar days** after such loss furnish a replacement bond at no added cost to the Owner.

10.6 Each bond shall be accompanied by a valid Power-of-Attorney (issued by the surety company and attached, signed and sealed with the corporate embossed seal, to the bond) authorizing the attorney in fact who signs the bond to commit the company to the terms of the bond, and stating any limit in the amount for which the attorney can issue a single bond.

10.7 The process of requiring and accepting bonds and making claims thereunder shall be conducted in compliance with **Texas Government Code, Chapter 2253**. If for any reason a statutory payment or performance bond is not honored by the surety, the Contractor shall fully indemnify and hold the Owner harmless of and from any costs, losses, obligations or liabilities it incurs as a result.

10.8 Owner shall furnish certified copies of a payment bond and the related Agreement between Owner and Contractor to any qualified person seeking copies who complies with **Texas Government Code, §2253.026**.

10.9 Claims on Payment Bonds. Claims on payment bonds must be sent directly to the Contractor and its surety in accordance with Texas Government Code, §2253.041. All Payment Bond claimants are cautioned that no lien exists on the funds unpaid to the Contractor on such contract, and that reliance on notices sent to the Owner may result in loss of their rights against the Contractor and/or its surety. The Owner is not responsible in any manner to a claimant for collection of unpaid bills and accepts no such responsibility because of any representation by any agent or employee.

10.10 Sureties shall be listed on the **Department of the Treasury's Listing of Approved Sureties** stating companies holding Certificates of Authority as acceptable sureties on Federal Bonds and acceptable reinsuring companies (Department Circular 570).

ARTICLE 11 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

11.1 Interest and Late Payments. County's payment for goods and services shall be governed by Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code. Interest charges for any overdue payments shall be paid by 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 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.

In the event that an error appears in an invoice/application for payment submitted by Contractor, County shall notify Contractor of the error not later than the twenty first (21st) day after the date County receives the invoice/application for payment. If the error is resolved in favor of Contractor, Contractor shall be entitled to receive interest on the unpaid balance of the invoice/application for payment submitted by Contractor beginning on the date that the payment for the invoice/application for payment became overdue. If the error is resolved in favor of the County, Contractor shall submit a corrected invoice/application for payment that must be paid in accordance within the time set forth above. The unpaid balance accrues interest as provided by

Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code if the corrected invoice/application for payment is not paid by the appropriate date.

11.2 Audits. Contractor agrees that County 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 County shall have access during normal working hours to all necessary Contractor facilities and shall be provided adequate and appropriate workspace in order to conduct audits in compliance with the provisions of this section. County shall give Contractor reasonable advance notice of intended audits.

11.3 Williamson County Vendor Reimbursement Policy. The Williamson County Vendor Reimbursement Policy is to provide clear guidelines to vendors on the County's expectations and requirements regarding allowable reimbursable expenditures and required backup, as well as minimize conflicts related to invoice payments and define non-reimbursable items. To the extent applicable, Williamson County Vendor Reimbursement Policy shall apply to this Agreement and is incorporated herein by reference.

11.4 Assignment. 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.

11.5 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 Project 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 County is a party.

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

11.7 Notices. All notices, consents, approvals, demands, requests or other communications relied on by the parties shall be in writing. Written notice shall be deemed to have been given when delivered in person to the designated representative of the Contractor or County for whom it is intended; or sent by U. S. Mail to the last known business address of the designated representative; or transmitted by fax machine to the last known business fax number of the designated representative. Mail notices are deemed effective upon receipt or on the third business day after the date of mailing, whichever is sooner. Fax notices are deemed effective the next business day after faxing.

11.8 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.

11.9 Relationship of the Parties. Contractor shall be an independent contractor under this Agreement and shall assume all of the rights, obligations, liabilities, applicable to it as such independent contractor hereunder and any provisions in this Agreement which may appear to give County the right to direct Contractor as to details of doing the Work herein covered or to exercise a measure of control over the Work shall be deemed to mean that Contractor shall follow the desires of County in the results of the Work only. County shall not retain or have the right to control the Contractor's means, methods or details pertaining to the Contractor's performance of the Work described herein, nor shall County have the power to direct the order in which Contractor's Work is performed under this Agreement. County and Contractor hereby agree and declare that Contractor is an Independent Contractor and as such meets the qualifications of an Independent Contractor under Texas Worker's Compensation Act, Texas Labor Code, Section 406.141, that the Contractor is not an employee of County for purposes of this Agreement, and that the Contractor and its employees, agents and sub-subcontractors shall not be entitled to worker's compensation coverage or any other type of insurance coverage held by County.

11.10 Force Majeure. If the party obligated to perform is prevented from performance by an act of war, order of legal authority, act of God, or other unavoidable cause not attributable to the fault or negligence of said party, the other party shall grant such party relief from the performance of this Agreement. The burden of proof for the need of such relief shall rest upon the party obligated to perform. To obtain release based on force majeure, the party obligated to perform shall file a written request with the other party.

11.11 No Waiver of Sovereign Immunity. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of sovereign immunity by Williamson County.

11.12 Current Revenues. Under Texas law, a contract with a governmental entity that contains a claim against future revenues is void; therefore, each party paying for the performance of governmental functions or services must make those payments from current revenues available to the paying party.

11.13 Compliance with Laws. Contractor shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations, and the orders and decrees of any courts or administrative bodies or tribunals in any matter affecting the performance of this Agreement, including, without limitation, Worker's Compensation laws, minimum and maximum salary and wage statutes and regulations, licensing laws and regulations. When required, Contractor shall furnish the County with certification of compliance with said laws, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders, and decrees above specified.

11.14 Entire Agreement; Modifications. This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements, written or oral, between Contractor and County and shall constitute the entire Agreement and understanding between the parties with respect to the Project. This Agreement and each of its provisions shall be binding upon the parties and may not be waived, modified, amended or altered except by a writing signed by Contractor and County.

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.

OWNER:

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

By: 
Bill Gravell (Nov 7, 2023 10:46 CST)

Printed Name: Bill Gravell

Title: County Judge

Date: Nov 7, 2023

CONTRACTOR:

INTELLIGENT CONSERVATION
SYSTEMS, INC.

By: 

Printed Name: Chris J. Peterson

Title: V.P. of Construction

Date: 10/27/23

EXHIBIT "A"

SCOPE OF WORK

Contractor shall provide the follow Work in relation to the fixtures located on the Williamson County Jail North floors 1, 2, & 3:

1. Retrofit 132 existing inmate toilet diaphragm flush valves with new I-CON electronic flush valves with quick connect solenoids. 3 of these flush valves will operate floor drains in Holding.
2. Retrofit 141 existing inmate pneumatic lavatory or bubbler valves with new I-CON electronic lavatory manifolds with quick connect solenoids.
3. Retrofit 64 existing inmate pneumatic shower valves with new I-CON electronic shower valves with quick connect solenoids and suicide resistant showerhead nozzles.
4. Retrofit 8 existing mop sinks with new I-CON electronic mop sink valves with quick connect solenoids.
5. Retrofit 8 existing kitchen sinks with new I-CON electronic kitchen sink valves with quick connect solenoids.
6. Provide 3 computer control systems (1 per floor) to control the I-CON equipment installed under this Scope of Work.
7. The Scope of Work includes all materials, installation, daily on-site project management, facility turnover parts (attic stock), site specific facility training (for each shift if desired), O & M documentation, and material removal.

Clarifications and Disclaimers:

1. Items not specially identified to be retrofitted or replaced are figured to remain in place.
2. Upstream and downstream infrastructure components are expected to be in functional condition prior to start of construction. These items include, but are not limited to, shutoff valves, water filtration, water treatment, pumps, heaters, pressure regulating valves, mixing valves, angle stops, piping, supports, insulation, fixture jets, or drainage. Repair or replacement by Contractor would be at additional cost.
3. Owner will identify isolation valves prior to construction, and valves are expected to be in working order. Defective valves are the Owner's responsibility to repair or replace.
4. Contactor excludes costs associated with concealed conditions, which are any unobvious conditions not disclosed visually during the walk-through or in written bid documents.
5. The Scope of Work is based on facility provided information as to suitable electrical availability, stability and emergency capacity to operate electrical equipment

according to NEC.

6. The Contract Time is based on reasonable access to a quantity of fixtures sufficient to maintain the anticipated schedule. Contractor estimates this as contiguous accessibility to a minimum of 20 fixtures or cells, chases and associated plumbing components per day per crew. A minimum of two full-time dedicated escorts with necessary keys will be required for Contractor's Scope of Work, allowing two independent crews to perform the work. No costs for escorts have been included in under this Agreement. The Contract Time is also based on secured tool and material storage inside the facility, sufficient for at least one week of work.
7. Angle stop valves shall be reused. Contractor includes up to 2% replacement of defective stop valves. Replacement of additional stop valves shall be at additional cost. Generally, all new concealed flush valves will reuse the existing angle stops and vacuum breaker connections. Generally, new exposed flush valves will reuse the existing stops and new vacuum breaker tubing will be installed.
8. Existing anti-flood devices will generally be disconnected because the I-CON equipment does not rely on hydraulic activation or metering.
9. For new fixtures (if applicable), siliconized caulking will be used. For correctional facilities, single part pick resistant security sealant will be used inside cells. Due to hardening cure times of caulking and sealants, users may need to be kept away from newly sealed areas.
10. When new fixtures are installed, waste flanges shall be reused. Contractor includes up to 5% flange repair. Additional flange repair, flange replacement, or carrier repair shall be at additional cost.
11. The Scope of Work does not include painting or tile work. Based on experience, the facility is better suited to perform and manage this work (if needed). Contractor strives to specify fixtures with fitment characteristics that reduce the need for finish touch-up.
12. Significant upstream scopes of work, shutdowns and maintenance are recommended to be performed prior to the water fixture retrofit scope, so as to not affect or damage new work which may be affected by upstream contaminants or conditions.
13. Fixture condition and water quality can affect performance and functionality regardless of retrofit equipment selected. Contractor is not responsible for pre-existing conditions or drainage obstructions, nor prior assessment of fixture condition or water quality.
14. Contractor assumes ownership and responsibility for the removal and disposal of all construction related materials, recycling, and removed facility equipment, other than hazardous materials such as lead or asbestos. The Owner is responsible for any hazardous material abatement prior to the installation of this ECM.
15. The Scope of Work includes only the number of fixtures that are detailed in this Scope of Work. If additional fixtures are identified to be added to the scope, a change order will be required.
16. Unless specified otherwise, Contractor includes certain attic stock (turnover spares) for valves, controllers, transformers and standard consumable parts. Extra fixtures

are generally not included.

17. Payment and Performance Bonds are included in the Contract Price.
18. Permit Fees are not anticipated for this project based on the "retrofit" nature of the scope and permissible in the category of maintenance, and no major modifications to infrastructure are being performed. Municipalities and jurisdictions may, however, impose permit fees after the fact. Contractor has not included permit fees but would seek reimbursement at cost if required.
19. Contractor reserves the ability to utilize all code approved materials and methods. Should the Owner have a preference or prohibition which has a significant cost affect, that premium will result in a change order.
20. Sales tax has been removed from the Contract Price. Contractor will require the sales tax exemption certificate with valid dates for the full duration of the construction period, as an attachment included with the Contractor subcontract.