PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT for Improving City of Lewisville's ISO Rating

The City of Lewisville, Texas (the "City"), hereby engages Mike Pietsch, P.E. Consulting Services, Inc (the "Consultant"), to perform professional services in connection with Improving City of Lewisville's ISO Rating (the "Project").

I. PROJECT. The Project is described as follows:

Improving City of Lewisville's ISO Rating: The Consultant will provide services to improve the City of Lewisville's ISO rating as provided for in Attachment "B". The Consultant will perform a grading summary for our existing fire defense infrastructure, then compile a list of suggested improvements. Once the City reviews the suggested improvements and implements the improvements that are economically feasible, the Consultant will request an ISO survey. The Consultant will assist the City in completing and submitting the ISO Pre-Survey Packet. The Consultant will be with the City through the entire survey process.

- II. SCOPE OF SERVICES. The Consultant shall perform the services as generally outlined here, and more specifically outlined in Attachment "B":
 - A. Phase I- Prepare a Grading Summary and Create a List of Suggested Improvements: The Consultant's Grading Summary will demonstrate the minimum point total that should result if an ISO Field Representative performs a rating for the City. Based on this Grading Summary, a List of Suggested Improvements will be developed which, if implemented, would improve the ISO rating for the City.
 - **B.** Phase II- Pre-Survey Packet: The Consultant will prepare the ISO Pre-Survey Packet for the City.
 - C. <u>Phase III- ISO Field Representative Survey:</u> The Consultant will assist the ISO Field Representative during their entire survey of the City.

III. COMPENSATION.

Total project cost is not to exceed \$65,000. For a complete breakdown of costs, see Attachment "B."

Invoices shall be submitted by cover letter from the project engineer. The letter shall certify that the invoice properly represents work actually done. The City reserves the right to request additional justification prior to payment of any invoice. If satisfactory justification is not received, the City reserves the right to amend the invoice or to refuse to make payment without incurring penalty or interest. Invoices shall be based on percentage of work completed per identifiable unit of work. The City agrees to make prompt payments for all approved invoices

- and agrees to pay interest at the rate approved by law for approved invoices not paid within 30 days from the date of approval.
- IV. INSURANCE. The Consultant agrees to maintain insurance throughout the term of the contract, in accordance with Attachment "A". All Certificates of Insurance shall be kept current and shall be forwarded to the Purchasing Division of the City by cover letter from the Consultant. Insurance certificate must be received and approved prior to commencement of work. The Consultant shall also review and forward certificates covering sub-consultants.
- V. REUSE OF DOCUMENTS. All documents, including drawings and specifications prepared by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement, are instruments of service in respect of the Project. They are not intended or represented to be suitable for reuse by the City or others on extensions of the Project or on any other project. Any reuse without written verification or adaptation by the Consultant for the specific purpose intended will be at City's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to the Consultant from all claims, damages, losses and expenses including attorneys fees arising out of or resulting therefrom. Any such verification or adaptation will entitle the Consultant to further compensation at rates to be agreed upon the City and the Consultant.
- VI. OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS. Original documents, plans, designs, reports and survey notes developed in connection with services performed hereunder belong to, and remain the property of the City, in consideration of which it is mutually agreed that the City will use them solely in connection with the Project, save with the express consent of the Consultant. The Consultant shall retain reproducible copies or electronic files of such documents for at least five (5) years and shall furnish copies to the City for reimbursable costs, if so requested.
- VII. THE CONSULTANT AGREES TO DEFEND, INDEMNIFY AND HOLD THE CITY, ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS AND EMPLOYEES, HARMLESS AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, LAWSUITS, JUDGMENTS, COSTS AND EXPENSES FOR PERSONAL INJURY (INCLUDING DEATH), PROPERTY DAMAGE OR OTHER HARM FOR WHICH RECOVERY OF DAMAGES IS SOUGHT, SUFFERED BY ANY PERSON OR PERSONS, THAT IS CAUSED BY OR RESULTS FROM ANY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION, INTENTIONAL TORT, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT, OR FAILURE TO PAY A SUBCONTRACTOR OR SUPPLIER COMMITTED BY CONSULTANT, ITS AGENT, EMPLOYEE, CONSULTANT UNDER CONTRACT, OR ANY OTHER ENTITY OVER WHICH THE CONSULTANT EXERCISES CONTROL, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT; EXCEPT THAT THE INDEMNITY AND DEFENSE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT APPLY TO ANY LIABILITY RESULTING FROM THE SOLE NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF THE CITY, ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR SEPARATE CONSULTANTS OR CONTRACTORS, AND IN THE EVENT OF JOINT AND CONCURRING NEGLIGENCE OR FAULT OF THE CONSULTANT AND THE CITY. RESPONSIBILITY AND INDEMNITY, IF ANY, SHALL BE APPORTIONED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, WITHOUT WAIVING ANY GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY AVAILABLE TO THE CITY

UNDER TEXAS LAW AND WITHOUT WAIVING ANY DEFENSES OF THE PARTIES UNDER TEXAS LAW. THE DUTY TO DEFEND SHALL NOT APPLY IN THE CASE OF A CLAIM BASED WHOLLY OR PARTLY ON THE NEGLIGENCE OF, FAULT OF, OR BREACH OF CONTRACT BY THE CITY, ITS AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES, OR OTHER ENTITY (EXCLUDING THE CONSULTANT OR ITS AGENT, EMPLOYEE, CONSULTANT UNDER CONTRACT, OR ANY OTHER ENTITY OVER WHICH THE CONSULTANT EXERCISES CONTROL) OVER WHICH THE CITY EXERCISES CONTROL, IN WHICH INSTANCE THE CITY'S REASONABLE **ATTORNEY'S FEES** SHALL BE REIMBURSED CONSULTANT IN PROPORTION TO THE CONSULTANT'S LIABILITY. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PARAGRAPH ARE SOLELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PARTIES HERETO AND NOT INTENDED TO CREATE OR GRANT ANY RIGHTS. CONTRACTUAL OR OTHERWISE, TO ANY OTHER PERSON OR ENTITY.

- VIII. TIME OF COMPLETION. A project schedule, shown in Attachment "B" is hereby included in this Professional Services Agreement by reference. The Consultant agrees to perform the services in accordance with the schedule, to the extent over which the Consultant has control.
- **IX. TERMINATION.** This Agreement may be terminated without cause at any time prior to completion of the Consultant's services by the City, or by the Consultant with cause, upon seven days written notice to the City at the address of record. Termination shall release each party from all obligations of this Agreement, except those outlined in Paragraphs V, VI and VII above. Upon notice of termination, the Consultant shall prepare and submit to City a final invoice within 15 days.
- X. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR. Consultant shall be considered an independent contractor and not an agent, servant, employee, or representative of the City in the performance of the services. No term or provision herein or act of the City shall be construed as changing that status.
- XI. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. To the extent allowed by law, the City will safeguard and keep from release any documents marked "proprietary" or information not generally available to the public. However, the City will, if required, comply with all requirements of the Texas Public Information Act with regard to any documents in its possession at the time of a request made under that Act.
- XII. GOVERNING LAW AND VENUE. This Agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Texas. Exclusive venue for any dispute arising out of this Agreement is in Denton County, Texas.
- **XIII. ARBITRATION**. In the event of a dispute which may arise under this Agreement, the City does not agree to arbitration.
- XIV. PROTECTION OF RESIDENT WORKERS. The City of Lewisville actively supports the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) which includes provisions addressing

employment eligibility, employment verification, and nondiscrimination. Under the INA, employers may hire only persons who may legally work in the United States (i.e., citizens and nationals of the U.S.) and aliens authorized to work in the U.S. The employer must verify the identity and employment eligibility of anyone to be hired, which includes completing the Employment Eligibility Verification Form (I-9). The Consultant shall establish appropriate procedures and controls so no services under the Contract Documents will be performed by any worker who is not legally eligible to perform such services or employment. The City reserves the right to audit consultant's employment records to verify the existence of a completed Employment Eligibility Verification Form (I-9) for every worker performing services under the Contract Documents. The audit will be at the City's expense.

- IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT (8 U.S.C. §1324a). The City of XV. Lewisville supports the Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA) which is a comprehensive scheme prohibiting the employment of unauthorized aliens in the United States. The Consultant shall submit a declaration signed under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas stating that it has not been found in violation of IRCA by the United States Attorney General or Secretary of Homeland Security in the preceding five (5) years. The Consultant shall ensure that its Subcontractors submit a declaration signed under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Texas stating that they have not been found in violation of IRCA by the United States Attorney General or Secretary of Homeland Security in the preceding five (5) years. The Consultant and its Subcontractors shall at all times during the term of the contract with the City comply with the requirements of IRCA and shall notify the City within fifteen (15) working days of receiving notice of a violation of IRCA. The City may terminate a contract with the Consultant if the City determines that (a) the Consultant or its Subcontractors have been untruthful regarding IRCA violations in the preceding five (5) years; (b) if the Consultant fails to ensure that its Subcontractors submit the aforementioned declaration; or (c) the Consultant or its Subcontractors fail to timely notify the City of an IRCA violation.
- **XVI. ADA COMPLIANCE.** All goods and services provided to the City must be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") and all regulations promulgated pursuant to the ADA. Consultant will be required to certify compliance, if applicable.
- XVII. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. The City and Consultant each binds itself and its partners, successors, executors, administrators and assigns to the other party of this Agreement and to partners, successors, executors, administrators and assigns of each other in party in respect to all covenants of this Agreement. Neither the City nor the Consultant shall assign, sublet or transfer its interest in this Agreement without the written consent of the other. Nothing herein shall be construed as giving any right or benefits hereunder to anyone other than the City and the Consultant.
- **XVIII. DISCLOSURE.** Pursuant to Chapter 176 of the Texas Local Government Code, a person or agent of a person who contracts or seeks to contract with the City of Lewisville must complete a conflict of interest questionnaire if the person or agent has an affiliation or business relationship that might cause a conflict of interest with the City. The conflict of interest

questionnaire, which is available online at ethics.state.tx.us, must be filed with the City Secretary of the City of Lewisville no later than the seventh business day after the person or agent begins contract discussions or negotiations with the City of Lewisville or submits to the City of Lewisville an application, response to a request for proposal or bid, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential agreement with the City of Lewisville. An updated conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed in accordance with Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code.

Said person should consult with legal counsel if they have questions regarding its compliance with the requirements of Chapter 176. It is the responsibility of each person or agent who is contracting or seeking to contract with the City of Lewisville to comply with the filing requirements of Chapter 176.

- XIX. TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 2252. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 2252, Subchapter F, Contractor affirms, by entering into this Agreement, that is it not identified on a list created by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts as a company known to have contracts with or provide supplies or services to Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization.
- XX. PERFORMANCE: In compliance with Texas Local Government Code 271.904, the Contractor agrees to perform the services outlined herein with the professional skill and care ordinarily provided by competent engineers practicing under the same or similar circumstances and professional license; and to perform the services outlined herein as expeditiously as is prudent considering the ordinary professional skill and care of a competent engineer, under the schedule as referenced in Section VIII of this Agreement.
- **XXI. CLOSURE.** By signature below, the parties to this Agreement hereby bind themselves to the terms stated herein, including all attachments referred to herein.

CITY OF LEWISVILLE, TEXAS Approved by the Lewisville City Council	
By: Donna Barron, City Manager	By: Mike Pietsch, P.E.
Date:	Date: 7/1 (21
Attest: Julie Worster	Attest: Maron Pretoch

CITY OF LEWISVILLE 151West Church Street Lewisville, Texas 75057
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Lizbeth Plaster, City Attorney