

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES
PROPERTY INSURANCE- CITY OF GALVESTON PROPERTIES

This Contract (the "Contract") is made and entered into this _____ day of May, 2019 by and between the City of Galveston ("City"), a Texas home-rule municipality, and **GIA Insurance Agency, LLC dba Galveston Insurance Associates** (Company), located at 6025 Heards Lane, Galveston, Texas, 77551.

WHEREAS, the City of Galveston desires to obtain services in connection with its "Property Insurance- City of Galveston Properties", within the City of Galveston ("City") and **GIA Insurance Agency, LLC dba Galveston Insurance Associates** ("Company") desires to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement between the Parties consist of the terms and conditions set forth herein, and **Exhibit A**, identified as the proposal from the Company for the scope of services, and those document(s), attached and incorporated for all purposes for the following Project:

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NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the parties do mutually agree as follows:

1. **SCOPE OF SERVICES**: Company will provide the services ("Work") to the City in connection with the Project, more specifically described in **Exhibit A**, attached and fully incorporated for all intents and purposes.
2. **STANDARD OF CARE**: The standard of care for all services performed or furnished by Company under this agreement will be the care and skill ordinarily used by members of the subject profession practicing under similar circumstances at the same time and in the same locality.
3. **COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS** – Company shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, and policies of the federal, state, and local governments.
4. **CHANGES**: The City may request changes in the scope of the services to be performed hereunder. Such changes, including any increase or decrease in the amount of compensation to Company, which are mutually agreed upon, by, and between the City and Company, shall be incorporated in written amendments to this Contract. No changes in the terms of this contract shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by an authorized representative of both parties.
5. **TERM**: Contract shall be effective upon execution by the City of Galveston for three (3) years unless sooner terminated under the terms set forth herein.

It is agreed that City will have the option to extend the contract for up to one (1) additional year. To exercise this option, the City shall serve notice 30 days prior to contract termination or to the end of any one-year extension. The Option to Extend will not be considered if funding is unavailable or if the contractor's past performance is not within the industry standard.

6. **APPROPRIATIONS**: The obligations of the City to make payment under this Contract are expressly subject to appropriations by the City of funds that are lawfully available to be applied to such purpose.

7. **SCHEDULE AND DELIVERABLES**: The City and its agencies will cooperate with Company to

facilitate the performance of the work described in the contract. Company will perform the Work in accordance with the schedules/timetables described in greater detail in the attached **Exhibit A**.

In the event that one or more of the members of the Company cannot perform because of ill health, physical disability or other reasons beyond his/her control, Company shall use its best efforts to furnish a substitute of similar stature for such member of the Company whom City agrees to accept. City does not have to accept any substitutes provided by the Company, but, may contract a substitute of their own.

8. **FORCE MAJEURE**: In the event that the performance of any of the covenants of this agreement shall be prevented by an act of God, the acts and regulations of public authorities, or labor disputes, acts of the public enemy, acts of superior governmental authority, or other circumstances, or cause beyond their or its reasonable control, the City and Company shall be respectively relieved of their obligations hereunder with respect to the performance(s) so prevented. In the above mentioned event, Company grants City the right to reschedule the performance(s) under the same terms and conditions of this contract.

9. **COMPENSATION**: The City shall compensate Company for the services provided hereunder shall not exceed the amounts set forth in the Pricing Schedule attached as **Exhibit A**. Company will furnish an invoice to the City detailing activities performed and reflecting actual time and expenses incurred during the preceding month. All invoices are due under Government Code Sec. 2251.021, and are payable to Company at 6025 Heards Lane, Galveston, Texas, 77551. The City shall notify Company in writing of any and all objections, if any, to an invoice within ten (10) business days of the date of invoice. Otherwise, the invoice shall be deemed proper and acceptable by the City.

The City shall not be responsible for any payment to Company for any additional services or expenses not specifically included in **Exhibit A**, except upon execution of an amendment to this Contract in writing by both parties. Parties shall attempt to resolve any payment disputes within thirty (30) days after the invoice date.

10. **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**: Company shall provide all required City of Galveston certificates of coverage and all renewals throughout the duration of the Project. For each policy except Workers' Compensation protection, Company shall name the City as an additional insured and shall provide that the policy require the insurance carrier to notify the City a minimum of thirty days (30) in advance of cancellation of all or part of the policy. All insurance policies are to be issued by an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Texas and using an insurance company with an A.M. Best rating of B+ or better. All subcontractors utilized must also comply with these specifications as if they were the winning proposer. Specific details of coverage limits and conditions are listed below.

Required Insurance:

- a. Commercial general liability insurance, naming the City of Galveston as an additional insured and as certificate holder, and waiving subrogation per the contractual requirements of this project. Limits are to be equal to or greater than:
 - \$2,000,000** general liability (includes products and personal, etc.)
 - \$1,000,000** fire damage
 - \$1,000,000** automobile damage
 - \$500,000** workers compensation employers' liability
 - Statutory** limits for workers compensation

Insurance coverage shall be on an “**occurrence basis**”

11. **TERMINATION:** This Contract may be terminated prior to completion of the Work by either party upon 10 days' written notice to the other. If, through any cause, Company shall fail to fulfill in a timely and proper manner his/her obligations under this contract, the City shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Contract by giving written notice to Company of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five days before the effective date of such termination. In the event of early termination, City shall pay Company for all work performed and expenses incurred to the date specified in the notice of termination. Notwithstanding the above, Company shall not be relieved of liability to the City for damages sustained by the City by virtue of any breach of the Contract by Company or its subordinates and the City may withhold any payments to Company for the purpose of set-off until such time as the exact amount of damages due the City from Company is determined.

12. **INDEMNIFICATION. FOR CONSIDERATION RECEIVED,** Company shall, to the extent allowable, indemnify, save and hold the City of Galveston harmless, including City's officers, agents, employees and servants, from any claims, actions, lawsuits, proceedings, damages, loss, judgments, liabilities or expense on account of damage to property and injuries, including death, to the extent caused by any negligent act, intentional tort, intellectual property infringement, or failure to pay a subcontractor or supplier of Company or those acting under Company's supervision or control. Company shall not be responsible, however, for any loss, damage, liability or expense on account of damage to property and injuries, including death, by which may arise from the negligence of the city. Company shall comply with the requirements of all current applicable laws, rules and regulations and shall indemnify and hold harmless the City and its agency members from and against the failure to comply with those laws, and shall assume full responsibility for payments of Federal, State and local taxes on contributions imposed or required under the Social Security, worker's compensation and income tax laws.

13. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS:** The parties are independent contractors as to each other. Nothing in this Contract shall be construed as creating any agency or employment relationship. Neither Party shall make any representations tending to create an apparent or implied agency or employment relationship; neither party has the authority to act for the other or to create obligations or debts binding on the other; and neither party shall be responsible for any obligations or expenses incurred by the other.

It is the intent of the parties to this agreement that the Company as an independent contractor will control the manner and means of its performance(s). The City will control the scheduling of the performance(s). The exclusive nature of this agreement is limited to the duration of the performance and it is expected that the performer will enter into other similar agreements with other customers.

14. **ACCESS TO INFORMATION:** It is agreed that all information, data, reports, and records as are existing, available, and necessary for the carrying out of the work outlined in **Exhibit A** shall be furnished to Company by the City and its agencies. The City and its agencies will cooperate with Company to facilitate the performance of the work described in this Agreement.

15. **PERMITS:** The Company warrants and represents that it has obtained any and all permits, approvals, and licenses and necessary for Property Insurance- City of Galveston Properties. All permits associated with the project shall be the sole responsibility of Company.

17. **ASSIGNMENT**: Neither party hereto may assign its rights or delegate its obligations hereunder without the written consent of the other party.

18. **NO WAIVER**: The failure of any party to enforce any provision of this contract shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce that or any other provision of this Contract.

19. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT**: This Contract incorporates all provisions of the attached proposal for Property Insurance- City of Galveston Properties and **Exhibit A** constitutes the sole and only agreement of the parties hereto and supersedes any prior understandings or written or oral agreements between the parties respecting the subject matter of this Contract. The Company, by signing this agreement, acknowledges the City of Galveston is entering into this contract in its governmental capacity, and not a proprietary capacity.

20. **SEVERABILITY CLAUSE**: The phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or sections of these conditions are severable. If any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of these conditions should be declared invalid by the final decree or judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of these conditions.

21. **ATTORNEY'S FEES**: In the event there is a dispute concerning this Contract, each party shall be responsible for its own costs and expenses including attorneys' fees and court costs incurred in the course of any dispute, mediation, or legal proceeding.

22. **APPLICABLE LAW, VENUE, AND JURISDICTION**: This Contract shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, with jurisdiction in the courts of the State of Texas and venue in Galveston, County regardless of where the obligations of the parties were performed. By execution of this Contract, the parties agree to subject themselves to the jurisdiction of the Courts of the State of Texas in all matters relating to or arising out of this Contract or the Work.

23. **NOTICES**: All notices required or permitted under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when delivered in person or three days after deposit in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the party's address reflected at the end of this Contract. A party's notice address may be changed from time to time by that party's providing written notice to the other. A copy of the notice to the City shall be sent to:

City Attorney
823 Rosenberg, Suite 203
P. O. Box 779
Galveston, TX, 77550

GIA Insurance Agency, LLC dba
Galveston Insurance Associates
6025 Heards Lane
Galveston, TX, 77551

[EXECUTION PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement in duplicate on the day and year first above written.

CITY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS

GIA INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC DBA GALVESTON INSURANCE ASSOCIATES

By: _____
Brian Maxwell, City Manager

By:  _____
Garry P. Kaufman, President

ATTEST:

Janelle Williams, City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM

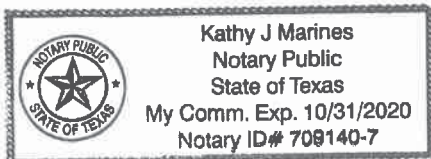
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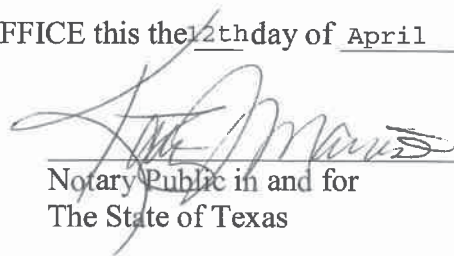
BY EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT, COMPANY ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THIS CONTRACT.

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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Galveston COUNTY §

On this day, BEFORE ME, the undersigned, personally appeared Garry P. Kaufman of **GIA Insurance Agency, LLC dba Galveston Insurance Associates.**, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that she executed the same in her capacity, and that by her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted executed the instrument.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this the 12th day of April, 2019.



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Notary Public in and for
The State of Texas