

**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**

DEPARTMENT: Capital Improvement

AGENDA DATE: January 19, 2022

CONTACT PERSON/PHONE: Sam Rodriguez, P.E., City Engineer, (915) 212-1845

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: All Districts

STRATEGIC GOAL: 3. Promote the visual image of El Paso

SUBGOAL: 3.1 Improve the visual impression of the community (gateways, corridors, intersections, and parkland).

SUBJECT:

A resolution that the City Manager be authorized to sign an agreement for professional services for the development of a Downtown Tree Plan and Design Standards by and between the City of El Paso and Surroundings Studios LLC in the amount of SIXTY FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTYAND 00/DOLLARS. (\$64,750.00) and that the City Manager be authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of the amendments.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Professional services are required for development of a downtown tree plan and design standards for street trees throughout the City.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

HAVE ALL AFFECTED DEPARTMENTS BEEN NOTIFIED? YES NO

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT: Capital Improvement Department

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT:

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING: TIRZ 05

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:



Sam Rodriguez, P.E., City Engineer

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

That the City Manager, or designee, be authorized to sign an Agreement for Professional Services by and between the City of El Paso, and Surroundings Studio, a New Mexico professional limited liability company, for a project known as “Downtown Tree Plan and Design Standards” for an amount not to exceed \$64,750.00.

In addition, the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to establish the funding sources and make any necessary budget transfers and execute any and all documents necessary for execution of the Agreement for Professional Services. In addition, the City Manager, or designee, is authorized to increase the contract amount up to \$50,000.00 and sign any amendments to the agreement.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

CITY OF EL PASO:

Oscar Leaser
Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura Prine
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leslie B. Jean-Pierre
Leslie B. Jean-Pierre
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Jerry DeMuro/for
Sam Rodriguez, City Engineer
Capital Improvement Department

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
)
COUNTY OF EL PASO)

AN AGREEMENT FOR
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This Agreement is made this ____ day of _____, 202_ by and between the **CITY OF EL PASO**, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the “**Owner**”, and **SURROUNDINGS STUDIO**, a New Mexico professional limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as the “**Consultant**”.

WHEREAS, the Owner intends to engage the Consultant to perform professional services for the project known as “**DOWNTOWN TREE PLAN AND DESIGN STANDARDS**”, hereinafter referred to as the “**Project**”, as further described in **Attachment “A”** and

WHEREAS, Consultant has been selected to perform such services as required by the Owner, and the Consultant was selected through the Owner’s selection procedure, in accordance with all applicable state and local laws and ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, for the consideration set forth in this Agreement and its attachments, the Owner and Consultant agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I.
ATTACHMENTS**

1.1 The attachments listed herein and attached to this Agreement are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

Attachment “A”	Scope of Services and Budget
Attachment “B”	Consultant’s Fee Proposal and Hourly Rates
Attachment “C”	Intentionally Deleted
Attachment “D”	Payment and Deliverable Schedules
Attachment “E”	Insurance Certificate

**ARTICLE II.
PROJECT**

2.1 The Owner hereby agrees to retain the Consultant and the Consultant agrees to perform the services identified in this Agreement for the Project. The Project shall consist of the Consultant’s completion of the Scope of Services as further described in **Attachment “A”**. Such Scope of Services shall be completed in accordance with the identified phases described in **Attachment “D”**.

2.2 The Consultant shall comply with the City of El Paso Capital Improvement Department Construction Document Guidelines in effect on the execution date of this Agreement in the performance of the services requested under this Agreement. Such Guidelines are available in the Capital Improvement Department.

2.3 The Consultant shall serve as the Owner’s professional representative for the construction of the Project to which this Agreement applies and shall give consultation and advice to the Owner during the performance of services.

2.4 The Owner shall provide all available information to the Consultant, as to the Owner’s requirements for each Project’s under the construction contract. The Owner shall also provide to the Consultant, all known information pertinent to the Project site, including previous reports and other data relative to design, such as “as-built” drawings or physical conditions now existing at the Project site. In performing its services, the Consultant will be entitled to rely upon the accuracy of the Owner provided information.

2.5 The Owner hereby designates the City Engineer of the City of El Paso as the Owner’s representative with respect to the professional services to be provided by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement. The City Engineer shall have complete authority to transmit instructions, receive information, interpret and define Owner’s policies, and decisions with respect to materials, equipment, elements, and systems pertinent to the work covered by this Agreement. City Engineer will render written decisions within a five (5) working day time period.

**ARTICLE III.
CONSULTANT FEES AND PROJECT BUDGET**

3.1 PAYMENT TO CONSULTANT. The Owner shall pay to the Consultant an amount not to exceed **\$64,750** for all basic services and reimbursables performed pursuant to this Agreement.

The parties agree and understand that all fees and compensation to the Consultant shall only become due and payable in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the fees to be charged for the Project shall be pursuant to the Consultant’s fee proposal for such Basic and Additional Services at the rates which is attached hereto as **Attachment “B”**. Payments to the Consultant shall be made pursuant to **Attachment “D”**.

3.2 CONSULTANT’S SERVICES. The Services to be provided by the Consultant for this Agreement are attached hereto as **Attachment “A”**.

3.3 CONSULTANT’S INVOICES. The Consultant shall bill the Owner not more often than monthly, through written invoices pursuant to **Attachment “D”**. Invoices shall indicate the costs for outside consultants with copies of their invoices as back-up materials as well as other authorized direct costs for hourly rate contracts. All invoices shall be made in writing. Within ninety days (90) of substantial completion of construction, all outstanding invoices for all work completed to date by the Consultant shall be submitted to the Owner.

3.3.1 Each invoice shall contain a brief summary indicating, at a minimum, the total amount authorized for the Consultant, the current invoiced amount and the amount billed to date. In addition to the Summary, each invoice shall provide a Progress Report. The Progress Report shall describe, at a minimum, the progress of the Project to date also indicating the percentage of completion of the Project. The established schedule for completion shall not be revised except by written amendment to this Agreement, executed by both parties.

3.3.2 The Owner agrees to pay invoices for all services performed as soon as reasonably possible but not later than thirty (30) days from receipt. Upon dispute, however, the Owner may, upon notice to the Consultant, withhold payment to the Consultant for the amount in dispute only, until such time as the exact amount of the disputed amount due the Consultant is determined. The total amount paid to Consultant shall not exceed Consultant's fee proposal, except by written amendment to this Agreement, executed by both parties.

3.4 INTENTIONALLY DELETED.

3.5 COSTS NOT ENUMERATED. Except as specifically set forth in this Agreement and its attachments, all costs related to the completion of the services requested herein shall be borne by the Consultant and not passed on to the Owner or otherwise paid by the Owner, unless a written amendment to this Agreement is executed by both parties allowing for additional costs.

**ARTICLE IV.
PERIOD OF SERVICE AND TERMINATION**

4.1 PERIOD OF SERVICE. The services called for by each phase shall begin upon the issuance of a Notice to Proceed from the City Engineer. The Consultant shall complete the requested services in accordance with the timelines and schedules outlined in **Attachments "A"** and the Notice to Proceed.

4.2 SUSPENSION. Barring an early termination as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force: a) For a period which may reasonably be required for the design, award of construction contracts, and construction of the improvements included in all construction contracts, including extra work and required extensions thereto; or b) Unless construction has not begun within a period of **twelve (12) months** after the completion of the services called for in that phase of work last authorized. However, should the Consultant's services be suspended for a period longer than six months, the City and Consultant may renegotiate remaining fees due to changes in salaries or increased costs that may occur during the suspension period. The Owner may determine that this Agreement will remain in full force past the twelve-month period noted above. Such a determination will be based upon the individual circumstances of this Project and this Agreement.

4.3 TERMINATION. This Agreement may be terminated as provided herein.

4.3.1 TERMINATION BY OWNER. It is mutually understood and agreed by the Consultant and Owner that the Owner may terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part for the convenience of the Owner, upon **fourteen (14) consecutive calendar days'** written notice. It is also understood and agreed that upon such notice of termination, the Consultant shall cease the performance of services under this Agreement. Upon such termination, the Consultant shall provide one final invoice for all services completed and reimbursable expenses incurred prior to the Owner's notice of termination. Owner shall compensate Consultant in accordance with this Agreement; however, the Owner may withhold any payment to the Consultant that is held to be in dispute for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount due the Consultant from the Owner is determined. Nothing

contained herein, or elsewhere in this Agreement shall require the Owner to pay for any services that are not in compliance with the terms of this Agreement and its attachments.

4.3.2 TERMINATION BY EITHER PARTY. It is further understood and agreed by the Consultant and Owner that either party may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part. Such a termination may be made for failure of one party to substantially fulfill its contractual obligations, pursuant to this Agreement, and through no fault of the other party. No such termination shall be made, unless the other party being terminated is granted: a) written notice of intent to terminate enumerating the failures for which the termination is being sought; b) a minimum of **seven (7) consecutive calendar days** to cure such failures; and c) an opportunity for consultation with the terminating party prior to such termination. However, the Owner retains the right to immediately terminate this Agreement for default if the Consultant violates any local, state, or federal laws, rules or regulations that relate to the performance of this Agreement. In the event of termination by the Owner pursuant to this subsection, the Owner may withhold payments to the Consultant for the purpose of setoff until such time as the exact amount due the Consultant from the Owner is determined.

4.3.3 TERMINATION FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SUBCHAPTER J, CHAPTER 552, GOVERNMENT CODE. The requirements of subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this Contract and the Contractor or vendor agrees that the Contract can be terminated if the contractor or vendor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.

4.3.4 TERMINATION SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS RELEASE. Termination by either party shall not be construed as a release of any claims that the terminating party may be lawfully entitled to assert against the terminated party. Further, the terminated party shall not be relieved of any liability for damages sustained by the terminating party by virtue of any breach of this Agreement.

ARTICLE V. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

5.1 INSURANCE. The Consultant shall procure and maintain insurance coverage as required herein and attached in **Attachment “E”**. Consultant shall not commence work under this Agreement until the Consultant has obtained the required insurance and such insurance has been approved by the Owner. The Consultant shall maintain the required insurance throughout the term of this Agreement. Failure to maintain said insurance shall be considered a material breach of this Agreement.

5.1.1 WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE. The Consultant shall procure and shall maintain during the life of this Agreement, Workers’ Compensation Insurance as required by applicable Texas law for all of the Consultant’s employees to be engaged in work under this Agreement. The Consultant shall provide the following endorsement:

“The policy is endorsed to provide that insurer waives any right of subrogation it may acquire against the Owner, its partners, agents and employees by reason of any

payment made on or account of injury, including death resulting therefrom, sustained by any employee of the insured.”

5.1.2 COMMERCIAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY DAMAGE LIABILITY AND AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY INSURANCE. The Consultant shall procure and shall maintain during the life of this Agreement such Commercial General Liability, Property Damage Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance as shall protect the Consultant and the Consultant’s employees performing work covered by this Agreement from claims for damages for personal injury, including accidental death, as well as from claims for property damages, which may arise from operations under this contract, whether such operations be by the Consultant or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Consultant. The minimum limits of liability and coverages shall be as follows:

- a) **Commercial General Liability**
\$1,000,000.00 Per Occurrence
\$1,000,000.00 Products/Completed Operations
\$1,000,000.00 Personal and Advertising Injury

- b) **AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY**
Combined Single Limit
\$1,000,000.00 per accident

5.1.3 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE. The Consultant shall procure and shall maintain, at the Consultant’s sole expense, Professional Liability Insurance for the benefit of the Owner to cover the errors and omissions of the Consultant, its principals or officers, agents or employees in the performance of this Agreement with a limit of \$1,000,000 on a claims made basis.

5.1.4 OWNER AS ADDITIONAL INSURED. The Owner shall be named as an Additional Insured on all of the Consultant’s Insurance Policies, with the exception of Workers’ Compensation and Professional Liability Insurance required by this Agreement.

5.1.5 PROOF OF INSURANCE. The Consultant shall furnish the City Engineer with certificates showing the type of insurance coverages, limits on each insurance policy, class of operations covered under each insurance policy, effective dates and expiration dates of policies, insurance companies providing the insurance coverages, name of agent/broker and include confirmation of any endorsement(s) required in this Agreement.

5.1.6 GENERAL INSURANCE PROVISIONS. All certificates required herein shall be attached hereto and incorporated for all purposes as **Attachment “E”**. All certificates shall also include the name of the project on the corresponding insurance certificate.

5.2 INDEMNIFICATION. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, CONSULTANT SHALL INDEMNIFY HOLD HARMLESS, AND DEFEND OWNER, AND OWNER’S OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AGENTS CONSULTANTS,

AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, COSTS, LOSSES, AND DAMAGES (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ALL FEES AND CHARGES OF ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, ATTORNEYS, AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS, AND ALL COURT, ARBITRATION, OR OTHER DISPUTE RESOLUTION COSTS) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE PROJECT, PROVIDED THAT ANY SUCH CLAIM, COST, LOSS, OR DAMAGE IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO ANY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION, INTENTIONAL TORT, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT, OR FAILURE TO PAY A SUBCONTRACTOR OR SUPPLIER COMMITTED BY CONSULTANT OR CONSULTANT'S OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AGENTS, CONSULTANTS OR EMPLOYEES. THE CONSULTANT SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACTS OF ANY OF THE CITY'S INDEPENDENT PROJECT MANAGERS.

To the extent allowed by state law, the Owner will be responsible for its own actions.

ARTICLE VI. FEDERAL AND STATE PROVISIONS

6.1 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS – FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS. Consultant, at Consultant's sole expense, agrees that it will operate and perform its responsibilities and covenants under this Agreement in accordance with applicable laws, rules, orders, ordinances, directions, regulations and requirements of federal, state, county and municipal authorities, now in force or which may hereafter be in force, including, but not limited to, those which shall impose any duty upon the Owner or Consultant with respect to the use of federal and state funds and nondiscrimination in the administration of contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, with federal and state funds.

Specifically, and not in limitation of the foregoing, Consultant agrees that to the extent required by any agreement between the Owner and any Federal and State agency, the laws of the federal government of the United States of America and the rules and regulations of any regulatory body or officer having jurisdiction over this Project, **including but not limited to:**

--The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through a Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the Owner, or supported by FTA through a Loan, Loan Guarantee, or Line of Credit with the Owner.

--The Department of Housing and Urban Development through a Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the Owner.

--The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through a Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the Owner, as further described in Attachment "F".

--The Texas Department of Transportation through an Agreement with the Owner.

Copies of grant assurances will be made available to Consultant. However, provided copies

shall in no way be a limitation on the Consultant's obligation to comply with any Federal and State agency, the laws of the federal government of the United States of America and the rules and regulations of any regulatory body or officer having jurisdiction over this Project.

6.1.1 CONTRACT ASSURANCE. The Consultant or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the consultant to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

6.1.2 DBE GOOD FAITH EFFORTS. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, regulations of the U.S. DOT, applies to this contract. It is the policy of the Owner to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex or national origin in the award of performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this proposal. These requirements apply to all offerors, including those who qualify as a DBE. A DBE contract goal will be identified pursuant to the federal funding requirements for an individual task order established for this contract. The offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 40 CFR Part 26, to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in the performance of this Agreement.

The Consultant will be required to submit the following information: (1) the names and addresses of DBE firms that will participate in the contract; (2) a description of the work that each DBE firm will perform; (3) the dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm participating; (4) written documentation of the offeror's commitment to use a DBE subconsultant whose participation it submits to meet the contract goal; (5) written confirmation from the DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in the commitment made under (4); and (6) if the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts. The offeror shall submit the information with its proposal as a condition of responsiveness.

DBE participation in this contract may be in the form of a prime contract, subcontract, joint venture, or other arrangement that qualifies under 49 CFR Section 26.55 or 26.53(g), both of which will be submitted on a Letter of Intent to the Owner.

6.2 TERMINATION FOR CANCELLATION OF GRANT. Should this Agreement be terminated as a result of cancellation of federal funds covering this Project, the Owner shall promptly notify the Consultant of the cancellation by certified mail-return receipt requested, whereupon the Consultant shall immediately, on receipt of the letter, cease and desist from performing any other work or services hereunder. In such an event, the Consultant will be paid for professional services performed to such date, upon furnishing the Owner a progress report and an invoice to such date, and upon acceptance of the work by the Owner.

6.3 TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, 78 STAT.252, 42 U.S.C. 2000D TO 2000D-4 AND TITLE 49, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

During the performance of this contract, Consultant, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “Consultant”) agrees as follows:

- (1) **Compliance with Regulations:** Consultant shall comply with the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation (hereinafter, “DOT”) Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 21, as they may be amended from time to time, (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations), which are herein incorporated by reference and made a part of this contract.
- (2) **Nondiscrimination:** Consultant, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. ADP shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
- (3) **Solicitations for Subcontractors, Including Procurements of Materials and Equipment:** In all solicitations either by competitive bidding or negotiation made by Consultant for work to be performed under a subcontract, including procurements of materials or leases of equipment, each potential subcontractor or supplier shall be notified by Consultant of Consultant’s obligations under this contract and the Regulations relative to nondiscrimination on the grounds of race, color, or national origin.
- (4) **Information and Reports:** Consultant shall provide all information and reports required by the Regulations or directives issued pursuant thereto, and shall permit access to its books, records, accounts other sources of information, and its facilities as may be determined by Client to be pertinent to ascertain compliance with such Regulations, orders and instructions. Where any information required of Consultant is in the exclusive possession of another who fails or refuses to furnish this information Consultant shall so certify to Client, as appropriate, and shall set forth what efforts it has made to obtain the information.
- (5) **Sanctions for Noncompliance:** In the event of Consultant’s noncompliance with the nondiscrimination provisions of this contract, the Client shall impose such contract sanctions as it may determine to be appropriate, including but not limited to:
 - a. Withholding of payments to the Consultant under the contract until the Consultant complies, and / or
 - b. Cancellation, termination or suspension of the contract in whole or in part.
- (6) **Incorporation of Provisions:** Consultant shall include the provisions of paragraphs (1) through (6) in every subcontract, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment, unless exempt by the Regulations, or directive issued pursuant thereto. Consultant shall take such action with respect to any subcontract or procurement as Client may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for non-compliance: Provided, however, that in the event a Consultant becomes involved in, or is threatened with litigation with a subcontractor or supplier as a result of such direction, the Consultant may request Client to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of Client and in addition, Consultant may request the United States to enter

into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

ARTICLE VII. GENERAL PROVISIONS

7.1 CONTRACT TIME. Consultant understands and agrees to provide all professional services and deliverables requested herein, as expeditiously as is prudent considering the ordinary professional skill and care of a competent engineer or architect, and to use its best efforts to complete all phases of this Agreement within the time schedules indicated within **Attachment “D”**. It is acknowledged that the Consultant does not have control over all aspects of the design and construction process and cannot warrant that it will complete all services and deliverables by a certain date. The Consultant shall timely notify the City Engineer of any delay beyond its control and the City Engineer shall extend the time schedule in the event of delays which the City Engineer reasonably determines are beyond the control of the Consultant.

7.2 INTENTIONALLY DELETED.

7.3 CONSULTANT’S QUALITY OF WORK. The Owner’s review of any documents prepared by the Consultant is only general in nature and its option to approve and accept the work in no way relieves the Consultant of responsibility for any specific deficiencies in its professional service. The Consultant’s services shall be performed with the professional skill and care ordinarily provided by competent engineers or architects practicing under the same or similar circumstances and professional license and as expeditiously as is prudent considering the ordinary professional skill and care of a competent engineer or architect and the orderly progress of the Project and in accordance with the time periods established in **Attachment “D”** and which shall be adjusted, if necessary, as the project proceeds. This schedule shall include allowances for periods of time required for the Owner’s review, for the performance of the Owner’s consultants, and for approval of submissions by authorities having jurisdiction over the project. The identified time limits shall not, except for reasonable cause, be exceeded by the Consultant or Owner.

7.4 COPYRIGHT AND REPRODUCTION RIGHTS. Upon payment of amounts due, the Drawings, Specifications, concepts and design, and other documents prepared by the Consultant for this Project including, without limitation, those in electronic form (sometimes referred to as the “Instruments of Service”) are the property of the Owner, who shall be vested with all common law and statutory rights. The Owner shall have the right to the use of the Drawings, Specifications and other documents for the maintenance, repair, remodeling and renovation of the Project; provided however the Consultant shall have no liability for any use of one or more of the Instruments of Service by the Owner for maintenance, repair, remodeling and renovation of the project. The Owner has the consent of the Consultant, provided, however, the Consultant shall have no liability or responsibility for such use of the Drawings, Specifications, concepts and design, and other documents. The rights granted to the Owner herein for the use of the Drawings, Specifications and other documents for additional projects, other than the construction of the Project, shall not grant the Owner any right to rely upon the Consultant’s seal on the Drawings and Specifications or to hold the Consultant responsible for any subsequent use of the Drawings,

Specifications and documents. The Consultant shall provide the Owner with copies of the Instruments of Service in both electronic form and in hard copy.

7.5 AUDITING RECORDS FOR THE SPECIFIC PROJECT. Consultant's records subject to audit shall include but not be limited to records which, have a bearing on matters of interest to the Owner in connection with the Consultant's work on this Project for the Owner and shall be open to inspection and subject to audit and/or reproduction by Owner's agent or its authorized representative to the extent necessary to adequately permit evaluation and verification of (a) Consultant's compliance with contract requirements, and (b) compliance with provisions for computing Direct Personnel Expense with reimbursables, if applicable.

Such records subject to audit shall also include those records necessary to evaluate and verify direct and indirect costs, (including overhead allocations) as they may apply to costs associated with this Agreement. In those situations where Consultant's records have been generated from computerized data, Consultant agrees to provide Owner's representatives with extracts of data files in computer readable format on data disks or suitable alternative computer data exchange format.

The Owner or its designee shall be entitled, at its expense, to audit all of the Consultant's records related to this Project, and shall be allowed to interview any of the Consultant's employees, pursuant to the provisions of this section throughout the term of this contract and for a period of **three (3) years** after final payment or longer if required by law. Such audits may require inspection and photo copying of selected documents from time to time at reasonable times (limited to Consultant's office hours) and places upon reasonable notice.

7.6 CONTRACTING INFORMATION

The Contractor must preserve all contracting information related to this Contract as provided by the records retention schedule requirements applicable to the City for the duration of this Contract. Contractor will promptly provide the City any contracting information related to this Contract that is in the custody or possession of the Contractor on request of the City. On completion of this Contract, Contractor will either provide at no cost to the City all contracting information related to this Contract that is in the custody or possession of the Contractor or preserve the contracting information related to this Contract as provided by the records retention requirements applicable to the City.

7.7 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. This Agreement shall be binding on the Owner and the Consultant, their successors and assigns. Neither party may assign, sublet, or transfer its interest in this Agreement without the written consent of the other.

7.8 VENUE. For the purpose of determining place of Agreement and the law governing the same, this Agreement is entered into in the City and County of El Paso, the State of Texas, and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas. Venue shall be in the County of El Paso, Texas.

7.9 GOVERNING LAW. The Consultant shall comply with applicable Federal, State and local laws and ordinances applicable to the work contemplated herein.

CITY OF EL PASO:

Tomás González
City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leslie B. Jean-Pierre
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Jerry DeMuro/for
Samuel Rodriguez, P.E., City Engineer
Capital Improvement Department

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
 §
COUNTY OF EL PASO §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this _____ day of _____, 202_,
by **Tomás González**, as **City Manager** of the **City of El Paso, Texas**.

Notary Public, State of Texas

My commission expires:

(Signatures begin on following page)

**ATTACHMENT “A”
SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The consultant is to examine and analyze existing and proposed streetscape conditions focused around the trees of downtown El Paso and develop a tree masterplan for the blocks adjacent to San Jacinto Plaza. In addition, the consultant is to create a downtown tree design standards manual and develop a street tree implementation plan based on the masterplan and design standards.

Work is to be completed within eight (8) months of Notice-to-Proceed.

**ATTACHMENT “B”
CONSULTANT’S FEE PROPOSAL AND HOURLY RATES**

FEES *Basic services (labor only)*

Compensation to Surroundings Studio LLC for the services described herein and in accordance with the Conditions of this Agreement shall be a fixed fee of \$60,000 for Task 1 through 3, plus reimbursable expenses. Task 4 shall commence if written approval by Client is received.

TASK 1 DOCUMENTATION + RESEARCH + ANALYSIS	\$ 10,000
TASK 2 DOWNTOWN TREE MASTER PLAN	\$ 15,000
TASK 3 DOWNTOWN TREE DESIGN STANDARDS MANUAL	\$ 35,000
TASK 4 DOWNTOWN TREE PROJECT: PHASE 1 (OPTIONAL)	\$ (15,000)
<u>SUBTOTAL FEES (excluding reimbursable expenses and Task 4)</u>	<u>\$ 60,000</u>
<u>EXPENSE CAP for Tasks 1-3 (Task 4 not included at this time)</u>	<u>\$ 4,750</u>
TOTAL DESIGN FEES	\$ 64,750

ATTACHMENT "C"
INTENTIONALLY DELETED

**ATTACHMENT “D”
PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

For the project known as “**DOWNTOWN TREE PLAN AND DESIGN STANDARDS**”, hereinafter referred to as the Project, the Owner will compensate the Consultant an amount not to exceed **\$64,750.00** for all Services and reimbursables noted within the Agreement and its attachments.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Contract payments will be made as provided in the Agreement milestone basis at the rates included in Attachment “B”.

Time and materials shall be billed to Owner by Consultant pursuant to the schedule provided in the consultant’s proposal found in **Attachment “B”**. The time shown in **Attachment “B”** is an estimate. Should the services rendered during the construction phase exceed the estimated amount, written authorization will be required prior to rendering service. Written authorization shall be only by contract amendment in accordance with the contract provisions and applicable law.

The Owner shall make payments upon presentation of the Consultant’s detailed Invoice and accompanying Summary and Progress Report and the Owner’s written approval.

The invoice must clearly identify each employee name, title, hours worked, date of performance, task or project description, rate per hours and/or cost, and office/company location.

Reimbursable Costs: Efforts must be made to secure a *reasonable* and/or lowest rate available in the marketplace.

Receipts: Legible itemized receipts are required for the following: 1. Meals 2. Hotel (lodging) costs. 3. Airfare travel costs. 4. Parking costs. 5. Automobile or Equipment Rental costs. 6. Taxi, Limousine, Bus, Subway, or other travel costs. 7. Reproduction. 8. Shipping and Handling. 9. Local Postage/Deliveries (courier services). 10. Communication Costs. *Tips and alcohol are not reimbursable.*

No single invoice may include items for both August and September of any given year. The Owner’s fiscal year begins on September 1st of each year and ends on August 31st of each year. The Consultant’s invoices must be separated into items that end August 31st and those that begin on Septembers 1st of any given year, to coincide with the Owner’s fiscal year.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS)
)
COUNTY OF EL PASO)

AN AGREEMENT FOR
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This Agreement is made this ____ day of _____, 202_ by and between the **CITY OF EL PASO**, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the “**Owner**”, and **SURROUNDINGS STUDIO**, a New Mexico professional limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as the “**Consultant**”.

WHEREAS, the Owner intends to engage the Consultant to perform professional services for the project known as “**DOWNTOWN TREE PLAN AND DESIGN STANDARDS**”, hereinafter referred to as the “**Project**”, as further described in **Attachment “A”** and

WHEREAS, Consultant has been selected to perform such services as required by the Owner, and the Consultant was selected through the Owner’s selection procedure, in accordance with all applicable state and local laws and ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, for the consideration set forth in this Agreement and its attachments, the Owner and Consultant agree as follows:

**ARTICLE I.
ATTACHMENTS**

1.1 The attachments listed herein and attached to this Agreement are incorporated herein by reference for all purposes.

Attachment “A”	Scope of Services and Budget
Attachment “B”	Consultant’s Fee Proposal and Hourly Rates
Attachment “C”	Intentionally Deleted
Attachment “D”	Payment and Deliverable Schedules
Attachment “E”	Insurance Certificate

**ARTICLE II.
PROJECT**

2.1 The Owner hereby agrees to retain the Consultant and the Consultant agrees to perform the services identified in this Agreement for the Project. The Project shall consist of the Consultant’s completion of the Scope of Services as further described in **Attachment “A”**. Such Scope of Services shall be completed in accordance with the identified phases described in **Attachment “D”**.

2.2 The Consultant shall comply with the City of El Paso Capital Improvement Department Construction Document Guidelines in effect on the execution date of this Agreement in the performance of the services requested under this Agreement. Such Guidelines are available in the Capital Improvement Department.

2.3 The Consultant shall serve as the Owner’s professional representative for the construction of the Project to which this Agreement applies and shall give consultation and advice to the Owner during the performance of services.

2.4 The Owner shall provide all available information to the Consultant, as to the Owner’s requirements for each Project’s under the construction contract. The Owner shall also provide to the Consultant, all known information pertinent to the Project site, including previous reports and other data relative to design, such as “as-built” drawings or physical conditions now existing at the Project site. In performing its services, the Consultant will be entitled to rely upon the accuracy of the Owner provided information.

2.5 The Owner hereby designates the City Engineer of the City of El Paso as the Owner’s representative with respect to the professional services to be provided by the Consultant pursuant to this Agreement. The City Engineer shall have complete authority to transmit instructions, receive information, interpret and define Owner’s policies, and decisions with respect to materials, equipment, elements, and systems pertinent to the work covered by this Agreement. City Engineer will render written decisions within a five (5) working day time period.

**ARTICLE III.
CONSULTANT FEES AND PROJECT BUDGET**

3.1 PAYMENT TO CONSULTANT. The Owner shall pay to the Consultant an amount not to exceed **\$64,750** for all basic services and reimbursables performed pursuant to this Agreement.

The parties agree and understand that all fees and compensation to the Consultant shall only become due and payable in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the fees to be charged for the Project shall be pursuant to the Consultant’s fee proposal for such Basic and Additional Services at the rates which is attached hereto as **Attachment “B”**. Payments to the Consultant shall be made pursuant to **Attachment “D”**.

3.2 CONSULTANT’S SERVICES. The Services to be provided by the Consultant for this Agreement are attached hereto as **Attachment “A”**.

3.3 CONSULTANT’S INVOICES. The Consultant shall bill the Owner not more often than monthly, through written invoices pursuant to **Attachment “D”**. Invoices shall indicate the costs for outside consultants with copies of their invoices as back-up materials as well as other authorized direct costs for hourly rate contracts. All invoices shall be made in writing. Within ninety days (90) of substantial completion of construction, all outstanding invoices for all work completed to date by the Consultant shall be submitted to the Owner.

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3.4 INTENTIONALLY DELETED.

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**ARTICLE IV.
PERIOD OF SERVICE AND TERMINATION**

4.1 PERIOD OF SERVICE. The services called for by each phase shall begin upon the issuance of a Notice to Proceed from the City Engineer. The Consultant shall complete the requested services in accordance with the timelines and schedules outlined in **Attachments "A"** and the Notice to Proceed.

4.2 SUSPENSION. Barring an early termination as provided herein, this Agreement shall remain in force: a) For a period which may reasonably be required for the design, award of construction contracts, and construction of the improvements included in all construction contracts, including extra work and required extensions thereto; or b) Unless construction has not begun within a period of **twelve (12) months** after the completion of the services called for in that phase of work last authorized. However, should the Consultant's services be suspended for a period longer than six months, the City and Consultant may renegotiate remaining fees due to changes in salaries or increased costs that may occur during the suspension period. The Owner may determine that this Agreement will remain in full force past the twelve-month period noted above. Such a determination will be based upon the individual circumstances of this Project and this Agreement.

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ARTICLE V. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

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“The policy is endorsed to provide that insurer waives any right of subrogation it may acquire against the Owner, its partners, agents and employees by reason of any

payment made on or account of injury, including death resulting therefrom, sustained by any employee of the insured.”

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\$1,000,000.00 Per Occurrence
\$1,000,000.00 Products/Completed Operations
\$1,000,000.00 Personal and Advertising Injury

- b) **AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY**
Combined Single Limit
\$1,000,000.00 per accident

5.1.3 PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE. The Consultant shall procure and shall maintain, at the Consultant’s sole expense, Professional Liability Insurance for the benefit of the Owner to cover the errors and omissions of the Consultant, its principals or officers, agents or employees in the performance of this Agreement with a limit of \$1,000,000 on a claims made basis.

5.1.4 OWNER AS ADDITIONAL INSURED. The Owner shall be named as an Additional Insured on all of the Consultant’s Insurance Policies, with the exception of Workers’ Compensation and Professional Liability Insurance required by this Agreement.

5.1.5 PROOF OF INSURANCE. The Consultant shall furnish the City Engineer with certificates showing the type of insurance coverages, limits on each insurance policy, class of operations covered under each insurance policy, effective dates and expiration dates of policies, insurance companies providing the insurance coverages, name of agent/broker and include confirmation of any endorsement(s) required in this Agreement.

5.1.6 GENERAL INSURANCE PROVISIONS. All certificates required herein shall be attached hereto and incorporated for all purposes as **Attachment “E”**. All certificates shall also include the name of the project on the corresponding insurance certificate.

5.2 INDEMNIFICATION. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, CONSULTANT SHALL INDEMNIFY HOLD HARMLESS, AND DEFEND OWNER, AND OWNER’S OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AGENTS CONSULTANTS,

AND EMPLOYEES FROM AND AGAINST ANY CLAIMS, COSTS, LOSSES, AND DAMAGES (INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ALL FEES AND CHARGES OF ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, ATTORNEYS, AND OTHER PROFESSIONALS, AND ALL COURT, ARBITRATION, OR OTHER DISPUTE RESOLUTION COSTS) ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THE PROJECT, PROVIDED THAT ANY SUCH CLAIM, COST, LOSS, OR DAMAGE IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO ANY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION, INTENTIONAL TORT, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INFRINGEMENT, OR FAILURE TO PAY A SUBCONTRACTOR OR SUPPLIER COMMITTED BY CONSULTANT OR CONSULTANT'S OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AGENTS, CONSULTANTS OR EMPLOYEES. THE CONSULTANT SHALL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACTS OF ANY OF THE CITY'S INDEPENDENT PROJECT MANAGERS.

To the extent allowed by state law, the Owner will be responsible for its own actions.

ARTICLE VI. FEDERAL AND STATE PROVISIONS

6.1 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS – FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS. Consultant, at Consultant's sole expense, agrees that it will operate and perform its responsibilities and covenants under this Agreement in accordance with applicable laws, rules, orders, ordinances, directions, regulations and requirements of federal, state, county and municipal authorities, now in force or which may hereafter be in force, including, but not limited to, those which shall impose any duty upon the Owner or Consultant with respect to the use of federal and state funds and nondiscrimination in the administration of contracts which are funded, in whole or in part, with federal and state funds.

Specifically, and not in limitation of the foregoing, Consultant agrees that to the extent required by any agreement between the Owner and any Federal and State agency, the laws of the federal government of the United States of America and the rules and regulations of any regulatory body or officer having jurisdiction over this Project, **including but not limited to:**

--The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) through a Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the Owner, or supported by FTA through a Loan, Loan Guarantee, or Line of Credit with the Owner.

--The Department of Housing and Urban Development through a Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the Owner.

--The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through a Grant Agreement or Cooperative Agreement with the Owner, as further described in Attachment "F".

--The Texas Department of Transportation through an Agreement with the Owner.

Copies of grant assurances will be made available to Consultant. However, provided copies

shall in no way be a limitation on the Consultant's obligation to comply with any Federal and State agency, the laws of the federal government of the United States of America and the rules and regulations of any regulatory body or officer having jurisdiction over this Project.

6.1.1 CONTRACT ASSURANCE. The Consultant or subconsultant shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the performance of this contract. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts. Failure by the consultant to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy as the recipient deems appropriate.

6.1.2 DBE GOOD FAITH EFFORTS. The requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, regulations of the U.S. DOT, applies to this contract. It is the policy of the Owner to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex or national origin in the award of performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying the requirements of this proposal. These requirements apply to all offerors, including those who qualify as a DBE. A DBE contract goal will be identified pursuant to the federal funding requirements for an individual task order established for this contract. The offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 40 CFR Part 26, to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in the performance of this Agreement.

The Consultant will be required to submit the following information: (1) the names and addresses of DBE firms that will participate in the contract; (2) a description of the work that each DBE firm will perform; (3) the dollar amount of the participation of each DBE firm participating; (4) written documentation of the offeror's commitment to use a DBE subconsultant whose participation it submits to meet the contract goal; (5) written confirmation from the DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in the commitment made under (4); and (6) if the contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts. The offeror shall submit the information with its proposal as a condition of responsiveness.

DBE participation in this contract may be in the form of a prime contract, subcontract, joint venture, or other arrangement that qualifies under 49 CFR Section 26.55 or 26.53(g), both of which will be submitted on a Letter of Intent to the Owner.

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During the performance of this contract, Consultant, for itself, its assignees and successors in interest (hereinafter referred to as the “Consultant”) agrees as follows:

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- (2) **Nondiscrimination:** Consultant, with regard to the work performed by it during the contract, shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in the selection and retention of subcontractors, including procurements of materials and leases of equipment. ADP shall not participate either directly or indirectly in the discrimination prohibited by section 21.5 of the Regulations, including employment practices when the contract covers a program set forth in Appendix B of the Regulations.
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into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

ARTICLE VII. GENERAL PROVISIONS

7.1 CONTRACT TIME. Consultant understands and agrees to provide all professional services and deliverables requested herein, as expeditiously as is prudent considering the ordinary professional skill and care of a competent engineer or architect, and to use its best efforts to complete all phases of this Agreement within the time schedules indicated within **Attachment “D”**. It is acknowledged that the Consultant does not have control over all aspects of the design and construction process and cannot warrant that it will complete all services and deliverables by a certain date. The Consultant shall timely notify the City Engineer of any delay beyond its control and the City Engineer shall extend the time schedule in the event of delays which the City Engineer reasonably determines are beyond the control of the Consultant.

7.2 INTENTIONALLY DELETED.

7.3 CONSULTANT’S QUALITY OF WORK. The Owner’s review of any documents prepared by the Consultant is only general in nature and its option to approve and accept the work in no way relieves the Consultant of responsibility for any specific deficiencies in its professional service. The Consultant’s services shall be performed with the professional skill and care ordinarily provided by competent engineers or architects practicing under the same or similar circumstances and professional license and as expeditiously as is prudent considering the ordinary professional skill and care of a competent engineer or architect and the orderly progress of the Project and in accordance with the time periods established in **Attachment “D”** and which shall be adjusted, if necessary, as the project proceeds. This schedule shall include allowances for periods of time required for the Owner’s review, for the performance of the Owner’s consultants, and for approval of submissions by authorities having jurisdiction over the project. The identified time limits shall not, except for reasonable cause, be exceeded by the Consultant or Owner.

7.4 COPYRIGHT AND REPRODUCTION RIGHTS. Upon payment of amounts due, the Drawings, Specifications, concepts and design, and other documents prepared by the Consultant for this Project including, without limitation, those in electronic form (sometimes referred to as the “Instruments of Service”) are the property of the Owner, who shall be vested with all common law and statutory rights. The Owner shall have the right to the use of the Drawings, Specifications and other documents for the maintenance, repair, remodeling and renovation of the Project; provided however the Consultant shall have no liability for any use of one or more of the Instruments of Service by the Owner for maintenance, repair, remodeling and renovation of the project. The Owner has the consent of the Consultant, provided, however, the Consultant shall have no liability or responsibility for such use of the Drawings, Specifications, concepts and design, and other documents. The rights granted to the Owner herein for the use of the Drawings, Specifications and other documents for additional projects, other than the construction of the Project, shall not grant the Owner any right to rely upon the Consultant’s seal on the Drawings and Specifications or to hold the Consultant responsible for any subsequent use of the Drawings,

Specifications and documents. The Consultant shall provide the Owner with copies of the Instruments of Service in both electronic form and in hard copy.

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Such records subject to audit shall also include those records necessary to evaluate and verify direct and indirect costs, (including overhead allocations) as they may apply to costs associated with this Agreement. In those situations where Consultant's records have been generated from computerized data, Consultant agrees to provide Owner's representatives with extracts of data files in computer readable format on data disks or suitable alternative computer data exchange format.

The Owner or its designee shall be entitled, at its expense, to audit all of the Consultant's records related to this Project, and shall be allowed to interview any of the Consultant's employees, pursuant to the provisions of this section throughout the term of this contract and for a period of **three (3) years** after final payment or longer if required by law. Such audits may require inspection and photo copying of selected documents from time to time at reasonable times (limited to Consultant's office hours) and places upon reasonable notice.

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CITY OF EL PASO:

Tomás González
City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leslie B. Jean-Pierre
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Jerry DeMuro/for
Samuel Rodriguez, P.E., City Engineer
Capital Improvement Department

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
§
COUNTY OF EL PASO §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this ____ day of _____, 202_,
by **Tomás González**, as **City Manager** of the **City of El Paso, Texas**.

Notary Public, State of Texas

My commission expires:

(Signatures begin on following page)

**ATTACHMENT “A”
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FEES *Basic services (labor only)*

Compensation to Surroundings Studio LLC for the services described herein and in accordance with the Conditions of this Agreement shall be a fixed fee of \$60,000 for Task 1 through 3, plus reimbursable expenses. Task 4 shall commence if written approval by Client is received.

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