

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH AND
CERTERRA RMA GROUP
FOR
ON-CALL CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, MATERIALS TESTING, AND
INSPECTION SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the City of Huntington Beach, a municipal corporation of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as "CITY," and, CERTERRA RMA GROUP, a hereinafter referred to as "CONSULTANT."

WHEREAS, CITY desires to engage the services of a consultant to perform on-call construction management, materials testing and inspection services; and

Pursuant to documentation on file in the office of the City Clerk, the provisions of the Huntington Beach Municipal Code, Chapter 3.03, relating to procurement of professional service contracts have been complied with; and

CONSULTANT has been selected to perform these services,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed by CITY and CONSULTANT as follows:

1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

CONSULTANT shall provide all services as described in **Exhibit "A,"** which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Agreement by this reference. These services shall sometimes hereinafter be referred to as the "PROJECT."

CONSULTANT hereby designates Johnny Rodriguez who shall represent it and be its sole contact and agent in all consultations with CITY during the performance of this Agreement.

2. CITY STAFF ASSISTANCE

CITY shall assign a staff coordinator to work directly with CONSULTANT in the performance of this Agreement.

3. TERM; TIME OF PERFORMANCE

Time is of the essence of this Agreement. The services of CONSULTANT are to commence on , 2025 (the "Commencement Date"). This Agreement shall automatically terminate three (3) years from the Commencement Date, unless extended or sooner terminated as provided herein. All tasks specified in **Exhibit "A"** shall be completed no later than two (2) years from the Commencement Date. The time for performance of the tasks identified in **Exhibit "A"** are generally to be shown in **Exhibit "A."** This schedule may be amended to benefit the PROJECT if mutually agreed to in writing by CITY and CONSULTANT.

In the event the Commencement Date precedes the Effective Date, CONSULTANT shall be bound by all terms and conditions as provided herein.

4. COMPENSATION

In consideration of the performance of the services described herein, CITY agrees to pay CONSULTANT on a time and materials basis at the rates specified in **Exhibit "B,"** which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference into this Agreement, a fee, including all costs and expenses, not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00).

5. EXTRA WORK

In the event CITY requires additional services not included in **Exhibit "A"** or changes in the scope of services described in **Exhibit "A,"** CONSULTANT will undertake such work only after receiving written authorization from CITY. Additional

compensation for such extra work shall be allowed only if the prior written approval of CITY is obtained.

6. METHOD OF PAYMENT

CONSULTANT shall be paid pursuant to the terms of **Exhibit "B."**

7. DISPOSITION OF PLANS, ESTIMATES AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

CONSULTANT agrees that title to all materials prepared hereunder, including, without limitation, all original drawings, designs, reports, both field and office notices, calculations, computer code, language, data or programs, maps, memoranda, letters and other documents, shall belong to CITY, and CONSULTANT shall turn these materials over to CITY upon expiration or termination of this Agreement or upon PROJECT completion, whichever shall occur first. These materials may be used by CITY as it sees fit.

8. HOLD HARMLESS

A. CONSULTANT hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless CITY, its officers, elected or appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, expenses, judgments, demands and defense costs (including, without limitation, costs and fees of litigation of every nature or liability of any kind or nature) arising out of or in connection with CONSULTANT's (or CONSULTANT's subcontractors, if any) negligent (or alleged negligent) performance of this Agreement or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in this Agreement by CONSULTANT, its officers, agents or employees except such loss or damage which was caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of CITY. CONSULTANT will conduct all defense at its sole cost and expense and CITY shall approve selection of CONSULTANT's counsel. This indemnity shall

apply to all claims and liability regardless of whether any insurance policies are applicable. The policy limits do not act as limitation upon the amount of indemnification to be provided by CONSULTANT.

B. To the extent that CONSULTANT performs “Design Professional Services” within the meaning of Civil Code Section 2782.8, then the following Hold Harmless provision applies in place of subsection A above:

“CONSULTANT hereby agrees to protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless CITY and its officers, elected or appointed officials, employees, agents and volunteers, from and against any and all claims, damages, losses, expenses, demands and defense costs (including, without limitation, costs and fees of litigation of every nature or liability of any kind or nature) to the extent that the claims against CONSULTANT arise out of, pertain to, or relate to the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of CONSULTANT. In no event shall the cost to defend charged to CONSULTANT exceed CONSULTANT’s proportionate percentage of fault. However, notwithstanding the previous sentence, in the event one or more other defendants to the claims and/or litigation is unable to pay its share of defense costs due to bankruptcy or dissolution of the business, CONSULTANT shall meet and confer with CITY and other defendants regarding unpaid defense costs. The duty to indemnify, including the duty and the cost to defend, is limited as provided in California Civil Code Section 2782.8.

C. Regardless of whether subparagraph A or B applies, CITY shall be reimbursed by CONSULTANT for all costs and attorney’s fees incurred by CITY in enforcing this obligation. This indemnity shall apply to all claims and liability regardless of whether any insurance policies are applicable. The policy limits do not act as a limitation upon the amount of indemnification to be provided by CONSULTANT.

9. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

CONSULTANT shall obtain and furnish to CITY a professional liability insurance policy covering the work performed by it hereunder. This policy shall provide coverage for CONSULTANT's professional liability in an amount not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) per occurrence and in the aggregate. The above-mentioned insurance shall not contain a self-insured retention without the express written consent of CITY; however an insurance policy "deductible" of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) or less is permitted. A claims-made policy shall be acceptable if the policy further provides that:

- A. The policy retroactive date coincides with or precedes the initiation of the scope of work (including subsequent policies purchased as renewals or replacements).
- B. CONSULTANT shall notify CITY of circumstances or incidents that might give rise to future claims.

CONSULTANT will make every effort to maintain similar insurance during the required extended period of coverage following PROJECT completion. If insurance is terminated for any reason, CONSULTANT agrees to purchase an extended reporting provision of at least two (2) years to report claims arising from work performed in connection with this Agreement.

If CONSULTANT fails or refuses to produce or maintain the insurance required by this section or fails or refuses to furnish the CITY with required proof that insurance has been procured and is in force and paid for, the CITY shall have the right, at the CITY's election, to forthwith terminate this Agreement. Such termination shall not effect Consultant's right to be paid for its time and materials expended prior to notification

of termination. CONSULTANT waives the right to receive compensation and agrees to indemnify the CITY for any work performed prior to approval of insurance by the CITY.

10. CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

Prior to commencing performance of the work hereunder, CONSULTANT shall furnish to CITY a certificate of insurance subject to approval of the City Attorney evidencing the foregoing insurance coverage as required by this Agreement; the certificate shall:

- A. provide the name and policy number of each carrier and policy;
- B. state that the policy is currently in force; and
- C. shall promise that such policy shall not be suspended, voided or canceled by either party, reduced in coverage or in limits except after thirty (30) days' prior written notice; however, ten (10) days' prior written notice in the event of cancellation for nonpayment of premium.

CONSULTANT shall maintain the foregoing insurance coverage in force until the work under this Agreement is fully completed and accepted by CITY.

The requirement for carrying the foregoing insurance coverage shall not derogate from CONSULTANT's defense, hold harmless and indemnification obligations as set forth in this Agreement. CITY or its representative shall at all times have the right to demand the original or a copy of the policy of insurance. CONSULTANT shall pay, in a prompt and timely manner, the premiums on the insurance hereinabove required.

11. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

CONSULTANT is, and shall be, acting at all times in the performance of this Agreement as an independent contractor herein and not as an employee of CITY.

CONSULTANT shall secure at its own cost and expense, and be responsible for any and all payment of all taxes, social security, state disability insurance compensation, unemployment compensation and other payroll deductions for CONSULTANT and its officers, agents and employees and all business licenses, if any, in connection with the PROJECT and/or the services to be performed hereunder.

12. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

All work required hereunder shall be performed in a good and workmanlike manner. CITY may terminate CONSULTANT's services hereunder at any time with or without cause, and whether or not the PROJECT is fully complete. Any termination of this Agreement by CITY shall be made in writing, notice of which shall be delivered to CONSULTANT as provided herein. In the event of termination, all finished and unfinished documents, exhibits, report, and evidence shall, at the option of CITY, become its property and shall be promptly delivered to it by CONSULTANT.

13. ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION

This Agreement is a personal service contract and the work hereunder shall not be assigned, delegated or subcontracted by CONSULTANT to any other person or entity without the prior express written consent of CITY. If an assignment, delegation or subcontract is approved, all approved assignees, delegates and subconsultants must satisfy the insurance requirements as set forth in Sections 9 and 10 hereinabove.

14. COPYRIGHTS/PATENTS

CITY shall own all rights to any patent or copyright on any work, item or material produced as a result of this Agreement.

15. CITY EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS

CONSULTANT shall employ no CITY official nor any regular CITY employee in the work performed pursuant to this Agreement. No officer or employee of CITY shall have any financial interest in this Agreement in violation of the applicable provisions of the California Government Code.

16. NOTICES

Any notices, certificates, or other communications hereunder shall be given either by personal delivery to CONSULTANT's agent (as designated in Section 1 hereinabove) or to CITY as the situation shall warrant, or by enclosing the same in a sealed envelope, postage prepaid, and depositing the same in the United States Postal Service, to the addresses specified below. CITY and CONSULTANT may designate different addresses to which subsequent notices, certificates or other communications will be sent by notifying the other party via personal delivery, a reputable overnight carrier or U. S. certified mail-return receipt requested:

TO CITY:

City of Huntington Beach
ATTN: Director of Public Works
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

TO CONSULTANT:

Certerra RMA Group
ATTN: Johnny Rodriguez
12130 Santa Margarita Court
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

17. CONSENT

When CITY's consent/approval is required under this Agreement, its consent/approval for one transaction or event shall not be deemed to be a consent/approval to any subsequent occurrence of the same or any other transaction or event.

18. MODIFICATION

No waiver or modification of any language in this Agreement shall be valid unless in writing and duly executed by both parties.

19. SECTION HEADINGS

The titles, captions, section, paragraph and subject headings, and descriptive phrases at the beginning of the various sections in this Agreement are merely descriptive and are included solely for convenience of reference only and are not representative of matters included or excluded from such provisions, and do not interpret, define, limit or describe, or construe the intent of the parties or affect the construction or interpretation of any provision of this Agreement.

20. INTERPRETATION OF THIS AGREEMENT

The language of all parts of this Agreement shall in all cases be construed as a whole, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any of the parties. If any provision of this Agreement is held by an arbitrator or court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, void, illegal or invalid, such holding shall not invalidate or affect the remaining covenants and provisions of this Agreement. No covenant or provision shall be deemed dependent upon any other unless so expressly provided here. As used in this Agreement, the masculine or neuter gender and singular or plural number shall be deemed to include the other whenever the context so indicates or requires. Nothing contained herein shall be construed so as to require the commission of any act contrary to law, and wherever there is any conflict between any provision contained herein and any present or future statute, law, ordinance or regulation contrary to which the parties have no right to contract, then the latter shall prevail, and the provision of this Agreement

which is hereby affected shall be curtailed and limited only to the extent necessary to bring it within the requirements of the law.

21. DUPLICATE ORIGINAL

The original of this Agreement and one or more copies hereto have been prepared and signed in counterparts as duplicate originals, each of which so executed shall, irrespective of the date of its execution and delivery, be deemed an original. Each duplicate original shall be deemed an original instrument as against any party who has signed it.

22. IMMIGRATION

CONSULTANT shall be responsible for full compliance with the immigration and naturalization laws of the United States and shall, in particular, comply with the provisions of the United States Code regarding employment verification.

23. LEGAL SERVICES SUBCONTRACTING PROHIBITED

CONSULTANT and CITY agree that CITY is not liable for payment of any subcontractor work involving legal services, and that such legal services are expressly outside the scope of services contemplated hereunder. CONSULTANT understands that pursuant to *Huntington Beach City Charter* Section 309, the City Attorney is the exclusive legal counsel for CITY; and CITY shall not be liable for payment of any legal services expenses incurred by CONSULTANT.

24. ATTORNEY'S FEES

In the event suit is brought by either party to construe, interpret and/or enforce the terms and/or provisions of this Agreement or to secure the performance hereof, each party shall bear its own attorney's fees, such that the prevailing party shall not be entitled to recover its attorney's fees from the nonprevailing party.

25. SURVIVAL

Terms and conditions of this Agreement, which by their sense and context survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement, shall so survive.

26. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

27. SIGNATORIES

Each undersigned represents and warrants that its signature hereinbelow has the power, authority and right to bind their respective parties to each of the terms of this Agreement, and shall indemnify CITY fully for any injuries or damages to CITY in the event that such authority or power is not, in fact, held by the signatory or is withdrawn.

28. ENTIRETY

The parties acknowledge and agree that they are entering into this Agreement freely and voluntarily following extensive arm's length negotiation, and that each has had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel prior to executing this Agreement. The parties also acknowledge and agree that no representations, inducements, promises, agreements or warranties, oral or otherwise, have been made by that party or anyone acting on that party's behalf, which are not embodied in this Agreement, and that that party has not executed this Agreement in reliance on any representation, inducement, promise, agreement, warranty, fact or circumstance not expressly set forth in this Agreement. This Agreement, and the attached exhibits, contain the entire agreement between the parties respecting the subject matter of this Agreement, and supersede all prior understandings and agreements whether oral or in writing between the parties respecting the subject matter hereof.

29. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Agreement shall be effective on the date of its approval by the City Attorney. This Agreement shall expire when terminated as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by and through their authorized officers.

CONSULTANT,
CERTERRA RMA GROUP

CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH,
a municipal corporation of the State of
California

By: _____

print name

ITS: *(circle one)* Chairman/President/Vice President

AND

By: _____

print name

ITS: *(circle one)* Secretary/Chief Financial Officer/Asst.
Secretary – Treasurer

City Manager

INITIATED AND APPROVED:

Director of Public Works

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



City Attorney

Date 10/27/2025

RECEIVE AND FILE:

City Clerk

Date _____



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

10/28/2025

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must have **ADDITIONAL INSURED** provisions or be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION** IS **WAIVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER AssuredPartners Design Professionals Insurance Services, LLC 3697 Mt. Diablo Blvd Suite 230 Lafayette CA 94549	CONTACT NAME: Sandy Peters PHONE (A/C, No, Ext): 626-696-1901 FAX (A/C, No): E-MAIL ADDRESS: DesignProCerts@AssuredPartners.com
INSURED RMA Group dba Certerra RMA Group 12130 Santa Margarita Court Rancho Cucamonga CA 91730	INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A: Continental Casualty Company INSURER B: INSURER C: INSURER D: INSURER E: INSURER F:
License#: 6003745 RMAGROU-01	NAIC # 20443

COVERAGES**CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** 1982914998**REVISION NUMBER:**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
	COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY ☐ CLAIMS-MADE ☐ OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: ☐ POLICY ☐ PRO-JECT ☐ LOC ☐ OTHER:						EACH OCCURRENCE \$ DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ MED EXP (Any one person) \$ PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ \$
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY ☐ ANY AUTO ☐ OWNED AUTOS ONLY ☐ SCHEDULED AUTOS ☐ HIRED AUTOS ONLY ☐ NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
	UMBRELLA LIAB ☐ OCCUR EXCESS LIAB ☐ CLAIMS-MADE ☐ DED ☐ RETENTION \$						EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$ \$
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? ☐ Y ☒ N (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below		N/A				PER STATUTE ☐ OTH-ER ☐ E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$
A	Professional Liability & Pollution Liability Claims Made Form			MCH591960456	10/1/2024	3/1/2026	Per Claim/3,000,000 included 3,000,000/Agg

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

AM Bests Rating: A/XII or greater. Professional Liability is Errors and Omissions Liability (E&O). Blanket Waiver of Subrogation attached applies as required per written contract. Additional Insured Status is not available on Professional Liability Policy. CANCELLATION: 30 day notice will be sent to the certificate holder.

Project: 00-251697-0 On Call CM and Inspection for CIP Projects City of Huntington Beach

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION** 30 Day Notice of Cancellation

City of Huntington Beach Public Works Department
2000 Main Street
Huntington Beach CA 92648

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

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4. fully cooperate with the Insurer or the Insurer's designee in the defense of a **claim**, including but not limited to assisting the Insurer in: the conduct of suits or other proceedings, settlement negotiations, and the enforcement of any right of contribution or indemnity against another who may be liable to the **Insured**. The **Insured** shall attend hearings and trials and assist in securing evidence and obtaining the attendance of witnesses;
5. refuse, except solely at the **Insured's** own cost, to voluntarily make any payment, admit liability, assume any obligation, or incur any expense, without the Insurer's prior written approval; and
6. pay the deductible amount when due.

After the **Insured** reports a **circumstance** or a **claim** is made and the **Insured** has the right under any contract to either reject or demand arbitration or other alternative dispute resolution process, the **Insured** shall only do so with the Insurer's prior written consent.

C. The Insured's Rights and Duties in the Event of a Circumstance

If the **Insured** reports a **circumstance** for which there may be coverage under this Policy, and the **Insured** gives the Insurer written notice containing as much detail as the **Insured** can reasonably provide regarding:

1. what happened and the **professional services** or activities the **Insured** performed;
2. the nature of any possible injury or damages; and
3. how and when the **Insured** first became aware of such **circumstance**,

then any **claim** or **related claims** that subsequently may be made against the **Insured** arising out of such **circumstance** shall be deemed to have been made on the date the Insurer received written notice of the **circumstance**.

The **Insured** will cooperate with the Insurer in addressing the **circumstance**, and refuse, except solely at the **Insured's** own cost, to voluntarily make any payment, admit liability, assume any obligation, or incur any expense without the Insurer's prior written approval.

D. Subrogation

If any **Insured** has rights to recover amounts from another, those rights are transferred to the Insurer to the extent of the Insurer's payment. The **Insured** must do everything necessary to secure these rights and must do nothing after a **claim** is made to jeopardize them. The Insurer hereby waives subrogation rights against any person or organization to the extent that the **Named Insured** has, prior to a **wrongful act** or **circumstance**, entered into a written agreement to waive such rights.

E. Premium

All premium charges under this Policy will be computed according to the rules, rates and rating plans that apply at the effective date of the current **policy term**.

F. Examination and Audit

The **Insured** agrees to allow the Insurer to examine and audit the **Insured's** financial books and records that relate to this insurance. The Insurer may do this at any time during the **policy term** or any extensions, and up to three years after the end of the **policy term**.

G. Legal Action Limitation

1. The **Insured** agrees not to bring any legal action against the Insurer concerning this Policy unless the **Insured** has fully complied with all the provisions of this Policy.
2. If, after the final adjudication or settlement of a **claim**, there is any dispute concerning tort allegations against the Insurer regarding the handling or settlement of any **claim**, the **Insured** and the Insurer agree to submit such dispute to any form of alternative dispute resolution acceptable to both