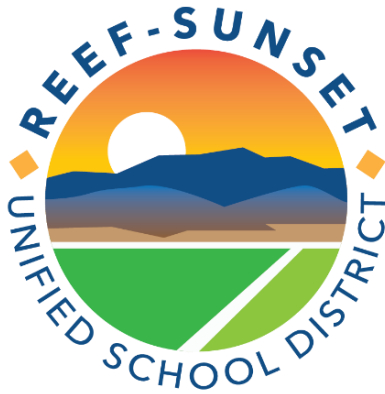




## **Reef-Sunset Unified School District**

Request for Statement of Qualifications for Architectural  
Services

**Due September 4, 2026**

# Reef-Sunset Unified School District

## Request for Statement of Qualifications for Architectural Services

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### I. INTRODUCTION

The Reef-Sunset Unified School District (“District”) is issuing this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for architectural services to expand the District’s pool of prequalified architectural design teams for the District’s future facilities improvements including but not limited to the construction of new and/or modernized school facilities such as preschool/transitional kindergarten/kindergarten facilities, elementary, middle, and high school new construction facilities including specialty spaces such as science labs and Career Technical Education (CTE) facilities. The District has designed and issued this RFQ for architectural services to facilitate the selection of Architects pursuant to a competitive process that is consistent with the requirements of California Government Code Chapter 10, Section 4525. The District intends that, after the pool of Architects has been established, the District will, as and when appropriate, seek proposals for architectural services for specific school facilities projects from among the prequalified Architects in the pool.

Please note that this RFQ is solely a solicitation for qualifications. Neither this RFQ, nor the information submitted by any Architect in response to this RFQ shall be deemed or construed to: (i) create any contractual relationship between the District and any Architect; (ii) create any obligation for the District to enter into a contract with any Architect or party; or (iii) serve as the basis for a claim for reimbursement of costs associated with submittal of any response.

In May 2026, the District and its Board of Trustees (“Board”) created a pool of architecture firms prequalified to provide architectural design services related to the District’s future facilities improvements. The District is seeking to expand the pool of firms available to provide architectural design services. Pending Board approval, the term of the prequalified pool is to be effective through August 31, 2031. In lieu of providing a response to this RFQ, previously prequalified firms from the previously approved pool may submit a letter by **12:00 PM, August 31, 2026**, indicating their desire to be placed on the expanded list, which will be created by this RFQ. Firms failing to do so will not be included in the new expanded pool of prequalified firms.

The District’s future facilities improvements may rely on multiple funding sources, including local bond proceeds and State grants as they may become available to build new and modernize school facilities to meet current building standards. The lease-leaseback (“LLB”) or Design-Build (“DB”), or the traditional “Design-Bid-Build” methods of construction and delivery may be selected by the District. If the lease-leaseback is selected then the contractor will be expected to collaborate early on with the architect of record to provide constructability reviews of proposed designs, cost estimates, construction schedules, and a site logistics strategy, resulting in a design that meets District specifications, functions, budget and timeline. If Design Build is selected, then the architect will be expected to provide a conceptual design specification for the project Design Build Team. Design teams should be prepared to describe past experience with the LLB and/or DB project delivery methods and offer suggestions for improving the selected process.

Interested respondents must be able to execute the District’s standard agreement. A copy of the District’s agreement is attached to this RFQ as **ATTACHMENT “A”**. Respondents to this RFQ must acknowledge that they have reviewed the agreement and must agree to the indemnity and insurance provisions contained in the District’s standard agreement and confirm in writing that, if given the opportunity to contract with the District, the respondent has no substantive objections to the use of the District’s standard agreement.

## **II. ANTICIPATED SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The Architect’s anticipated scope of services required shall include, but is not limited to, site inspection, evaluation, design, preparation of plans and specifications (construction documents) and contract administration.

- A. Site Inspection** — The architect and its consultants will conduct a field investigation of the project sites to identify feasible locations.
- B. Design** — The architect will develop preliminary design and integrate space planning of furniture, fixtures, and equipment.
- C. Construction Documents** — The architect having received approval of preliminary plans will develop final plans and specifications and prepare complete bid documents. The original drawings and any plans shall become property of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District. The architect will also obtain needed approvals from State and local officials, including timely approvals by the Division of the State Architect and State Fire Marshal.
- D. Construction Administration** — This phase will include providing coordination and direction to the selected contractor to assure proper execution of the plans, checking the contractor’s progress and partial payment estimates, and reviewing and negotiating Change Orders. The architect will attend the job walk, bid opening, preconstruction meeting, and construction meetings during the course of the project; serve as the construction administrator during project construction; and conduct final close-out review (including punch list and certificate of completion). **Please note: The District will be responsible for securing fire flow tests (if required).**

## **III. TIMELINE FOR PREQUALIFICATION OF ARCHITECTS POOL**

The District anticipates that the process for prequalification and determination of the Architects pool will occur in accordance with the timeline set forth below in this section IV. However, although timing is of critical importance, the District may alter the dates and times specified below as the District, in its sole discretion, determines necessary and/or appropriate.

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|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| 1. RFQ submissions due:                       | September 4, 2026, 12:00 pm                         |
| 2. CFW and Evaluation Committee reviews:      | September 10, 2026 (tentative)                      |
| 3. Board action on recommendations:           | September 17, 2026<br>(scheduled Board meeting)     |
| 4. Qualification selection notification:      | September 18, 2026                                  |
| 5. Term of prequalified pool to be effective: | Through August 31, 2031<br>(pending Board approval) |

#### **IV. HOLD HARMLESS/INDEMNIFICATION**

The selected architects shall indemnify and defend the District, its Board of Trustees, officers agents, and employees harmless from any and all claims damages, losses, causes of action and demands, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs, incurred in connection with or in any manner arising out of the architect's performance or failure to perform any duties contemplated by the proposed agreement.

#### **V. SUBMITTAL FORMAT AND CONTENT**

Please limit total submittal length to a maximum of ten (10) single-sided 8.5x11 pages, EXCLUSIVE of front and back covers, any index or table of contents, and items in Section V.C.2 and photographic representations in Section V.D.1.iii below.

##### **A. Cover Letter/Letter of Interest**

Please limit this letter to a maximum of two (2) pages. The letter must be signed by a representative with authorization to bind by contract and include:

- 1) Name of Firm
- 2) Firm Address
- 3) Telephone and Fax Number
- 4) Type of Firm (i.e., corporation)
- 5) Date Office Established
- 6) California Registration Number
- 7) Name of Principal to Contact

##### **B. Organization, Credentials, and Background**

Provide a brief history including:

- 1) Number of years in business.
- 2) Senior member and length of association.
- 3) Location of office that will perform the work.
- 4) List of basic services provided under a typical AIA agreement for a new construction project and a modernization project.
- 5) List of additional services that may request for each type of project, based on your previous experience.
- 6) List of new construction and modernizations projects completed under the State School Facility Program and/or with local sources. Include the dollar value of those projects from the past 5 years.
- 7) Describe how projects are managed including how budget, scope and schedule are maintained. Select a particular project similar to any of those that may be undertaken by the District as presented in Section II to shape the response around.
- 8) Describe how you will address DSA, OPSC, and CDE requirements throughout the project.
- 9) Describe your role and scope to comply with all OPSC close-out requirements for all State aid projects.

**C. Project Team**

- 1) Identify the following key team members and provide their specific qualifications with respect to educational facilities and their roles in relation to the District:
  - i) Principal-in-Charge
  - ii) Project Director/Manager
  - iii) Project Architect
- 2) Identify the proposed structural, mechanical, and electrical engineering firms and/or staff and other consultants that you typically use for your projects and their qualifications with respect to educational facilities. Response to this item is optional and may be provided as an addendum to the submittal.
- 3) Provide an organization chart showing the relationship and the flow of information between the District and your firm and consultants.

**D. Resources**

- 1) Transformative Design Capabilities for School Modernization and Additions
  - i) Briefly describe your design philosophy and process with emphasis on how this will suit the needs of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District
  - ii) Briefly describe how you integrate flexibility and future technology into your design
  - iii) Show examples of “transformative” projects on existing campuses. Include photographic representation of projects listed
- 2) Project Management Capabilities (AutoCAD, BIM, and project management software use are strongly recommended)
  - i) Describe how you would create an Integrated Project Delivery program for the projects
- 3) Cost and Schedule Responsiveness
  - i) Cost Estimate History: show examples of cost estimates versus actual bid amounts on 3 recent school projects. Describe briefly the challenges and how you responded.
  - ii) Change Order History: Briefly describe your approach to problems and change orders
    - a) Track Record for three (3) school projects listed in item D.3.i. Show the amount of change orders and indicate whether change order was charged to by the District, Architect or Contractor
    - b) Briefly describe your quality control and assurance procedures
    - c) Briefly describe your experiences with State and local agencies

- E. Location of Office Serving District** – Submittals must demonstrate headquarters or regional staffed office located in a city or address within approximately 200 miles of the City of Avenal

or have previously completed projects within 200 miles of the City of Avenal within the past five years where the Reef-Sunset Unified School District is located.

**F. Financial Resources**

- 1) Provide credit references
- 2) Provide amount of errors and omissions and current insurance carrier name

**G. Client Satisfaction/Reference**

- 1) Provide information for at least four (4) education clients of similar project services. Please include:
  - i) School district name and address
  - ii) Contact name, position, and telephone number
  - iii) Identity of project(s) for referral
- 2) Provide a list of three (3) district representative firms/contractor references with which you have performed similar project services.
- 3) Provide a summary of your firm's litigation and arbitration history during the past five years

**VI. SUBMITTAL OF QUALIFICATIONS**

RFQ submittals should be reviewed for accuracy before submission to the District. The District will not be responsible for errors in any RFQ submittal. The District reserves the right to reject any and all RFQ submittals, to waive any irregularities, or informalities in the RFQ submittals, or to request further information.

Responses to this RFQ shall be submitted no later than **September 4, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.** One PDF copy of the response must be sent via email to Anthony Loza, Chief Business & Facilities Officer, Reef-Sunset Unified School District at [aloza@rsusd.org](mailto:aloza@rsusd.org). Late RFQ submittals will not be accepted.

**VII. SUBMITTAL EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Submittals received by District will be evaluated according to the criteria listed below:

- Conformance to the specified RFQ format;
- Organization, presentation, and content of the submittal;
- Specialized experience and technical competence of the responses (including principal firms, joint venture-partners, and sub-consultants) considering the types of service required; the complexity of the projects; record of performance; and the strength of the key personnel who will be dedicated to the projects;
- Proposed methods and overall strategic plan to accomplish the work in a timely and competent manner;
- Knowledge and understanding of the local environment and a local presence for interfacing with the District;
- Financial resources and stability of the principal contractor and/or a contractor team;

- Ability to meet the insurance requirements unless District, at its sole discretion, decides to modify or waive the insurance requirements or elects to provide program, insurance; and
- Litigation and arbitration history (during the past five years).

## **VIII. METHOD OF SELECTION**

The District shall review submittals and shall conduct an interview with the most qualified firms that submit a package that is responsive to this RFQ. District will evaluate the firms on their demonstrated competence and on their professional qualifications necessary for the satisfactory performance of the services required, as evidenced in their responses and/or interviews. Upon selection, the revised pool of prequalified architectural firms will be recommended to the District's Board for approval. The pool of prequalified architectural firms will then be invited to participate in future selection and contract negotiation processes for specific projects.

## **IX. GENERAL INFORMATION**

- A. Compliance** Submittals must be in strict accordance with the requirements of the RFQ. Any RFQ submittals not submitted in accordance with the requirements of the RFQ will not be considered.
- B. Amendments** The District reserves the right to cancel or revise in part or in its entirety this RFQ. If the District cancels or revises this RFQ, all Respondents will be notified by addendum. The District also reserves the right to extend the date responses are due.
- C. Inquiries** All questions about the meaning or intent of this RFQ shall be submitted in writing to the District's Program Manager Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc. The contact is Patricia Raphael Garcia, Planning Manager. Replies will be issued by addendum and emailed to all parties recorded by Patricia Raphael Garcia as having received the RFQ documents. Questions received after Wednesday, September 2, 2026 at 12:00pm will not be answered. Only questions responded to via email by formal written addenda will be binding.
- D. Late Submittals** It is the Respondent's responsibility to ensure its RFQ submittal is received on or before the time and date specified. Submittals received after the date and time specified will not be considered.
- E. Special Conditions**
  - Public Record. All RFQ submittals in response to the RFQ become the property of the District's public records and, as such, may be subject to public view.
  - Non-Discrimination. The District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, ancestry, medical condition, disability or gender in consideration for an award of contract.
  - Drug-Free Policy and Fingerprinting. The selected firm shall be required to complete any and all fingerprinting requirements and criminal background checks required by State law and shall also be required to complete a Drug-Free workplace certificate.

- Costs. Costs of preparing an RFQ submittal in response to this RFQ are solely the responsibility of the Respondent.
- Limitations. This RFQ does not commit District to award a contract, to defray any costs incurred in the preparation of an RFQ submittal pursuant to this RFQ, or to procure or contract for work.

**X. DISTRICT/PROGRAM MANAGER CONTACT**

We look forward to receiving a submittal. If you have any questions regarding this RFQ, please contact: Patricia Raphael Garcia, Planning Manager, Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc. at [praphael@cfwinc.com](mailto:praphael@cfwinc.com) or (626) 829-8300.

**NOTE:** Incomplete submittals, incorrect information, or late submittals may be cause for immediate disqualification. Issuance of this RFQ does not commit District to award a contract, or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this request. District reserves the right to request additional information or clarification during the evaluation process. District retains the right to reject any or all submittals. All respondents should note that the execution of any contract pursuant to this RFQ is dependent upon the approval of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District in its sole discretion.

# **ATTACHMENT A**

Form Agreement for Architectural Services

***[NOT-TO-EXCEED FEE STRUCTURE]***

**AGREEMENT**

**FOR**

**ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES**

**BETWEEN**

**REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**AND**

**[INSERT FIRM NAME]**

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
1225 South 7th Avenue  
Avenal, CA 93204

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**AGREEMENT  
FOR  
ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES**

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This Agreement for Architectural Services (“Agreement”) is between the Reef-Sunset Unified School District, a California public school district (the “District”), and \_\_\_\_\_, license number \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Architect”), with respect to the following recitals:

- A. District proposes to undertake the construction of improvement projects which require the services of a duly qualified and licensed architect.
- B. Architect represents that Architect is licensed to provide architectural/engineering services in the State of California and is specially qualified to provide the services required by the District, specifically the design and construction oversight of public school(s).
- C. The Parties have negotiated the terms under which Architect will provide such services and reduce such terms to writing by this Agreement.

The Parties therefore agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1  
DEFINITIONS**

1.1 **Additional Services.** “Additional Services” shall mean those services in addition to the Basic Services that are related to the Project, provided by Architect, and authorized in writing by the District, and as further defined in Article 6 below.

1.2 **Agreement.** “Agreement” shall mean this Agreement for Architectural Services.

1.3 **Architect.** “Architect” shall mean \_\_\_\_\_, and its officers, shareholders, owners, partners, employees, agents and authorized representatives.

1.4 **Basic Services.** Architect’s Basic Services consist of the design services (including landscaping architectural services and landscape irrigation design, and civil, structural, mechanical, and electrical engineering services) required by this Agreement and required to complete the Project, as further defined in Article 5.

1.5 **Contract Documents.** “Contract Documents” shall mean those documents which are required for the actual construction of the Project, including but not limited to the Agreement between Owner and Contractor, complete working drawings and specifications setting forth in detail sufficient for construction the work to be done and the materials, workmanship, finishes and equipment required for the architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical system and utility-service-connected equipment and site work.

1.6 **Contractor.** “Contractor” shall mean one or more contractors ultimately selected to perform work on the Project or any replacement.

1.7 **District.** “District” shall mean Reef-Sunset Unified School District, and its governing board members, employees, agents and authorized representatives.

1.8 **Project.** “Project” shall mean the work of improvement described in Article 3 and the construction and post-construction closeout thereof, including the Architect’s services thereon, as described in this Agreement.

1.9 **Project Construction Cost.** “Project Construction Cost” shall mean the estimate of total construction costs to the District as initially submitted by the Architect under this Agreement and accepted by the District, as subsequently revised by changes to the Project Construction Cost under Article 5 of this Agreement, and as subsequently revised at the time the District enters a construction contract to equal the construction contract amount.

1.10 **Wrongful Acts or Omissions.** “Wrongful Acts or Omissions” shall mean Architect’s acts or omissions in breach of this Agreement, the applicable standard of care, or law.

## ARTICLE 2 RETENTION OF ARCHITECT; STANDARD OF CARE; TERM

2.1 District retains Architect to perform, and Architect agrees to provide to District, for the consideration and upon the terms and conditions set forth below, the architectural and engineering services specified in this Agreement and related incidental services. The Architect agrees to perform such services as expeditiously as is consistent with professional skill and care and the orderly progress of the Project. The term for the performance of Basic and Additional Services (“Services”) shall be the duration of the Project (“Term”), and Architect shall complete the Services within the Term. The Services shall be performed (a) in compliance with this Agreement, and (b) in a manner consistent with the level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by architects in the same discipline, on similar projects in California with similar complexity and with similar agreements, who are specially qualified to provide the services required by the District; and all such services shall be conducted in conformance to, and compliance with, all applicable Federal, State and local laws, including but not limited to statutes, decisions, regulations, building or other codes, ordinances, charters, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”). Architect shall be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the plans and specifications.

## ARTICLE 3 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

3.1 The Project concerning which such architectural services shall be provided is described as:

\_\_\_\_\_ *[insert Project description]*.

The Project \_\_\_\_\_ *[enter “is” or “is not”]* intended to be split into multiple prime contracts.

## ARTICLE 4 COMPENSATION

4.1 **Basic Services.** For the Basic Services satisfactorily performed under this Agreement, Architect shall be compensated according to its hourly rate schedule (Section 4.8, below). Architect’s total compensation for its Basic Services shall not exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_, which is Architect’s estimate of the maximum total cost of its Basic Services on the Project, based on its \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, fee estimate. However, Architect will not be compensated for any Basic Services required as a result of Wrongful Acts or Omissions. Architect acknowledges that the not-to-exceed fee for Basic Services, above, includes

contingency compensation in the foreseeable event that more time and costs may be necessary to complete the Basic Services.

**4.2 Additional Services.** Architect may invoice separately for Additional Services if provided by Architect under Article 6, but the Architect's total contingency compensation for Additional Services shall not exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_. However, Architect will not be compensated for any Additional Services required as a result of Wrongful Acts or Omissions.

### **4.3 Reimbursable Expenses**

**4.3.1** Reimbursable expenses are those actual out-of-pocket expenses directly incurred as a result of Architect's performance of Basic or Additional Services under this Agreement ("Reimbursable Expenses"). Architect may not charge a mark-up on Reimbursable Expenses. Reimbursable Expenses are limited to these expenses related to the Project: Fax, reproduction expense (excluding such expense for reproductions for office use by Architect and its consultants), postage, messenger, transportation, living expenses in connection with out-of-town travel, long distance communications, expense of renderings, models and mock-ups requested by District, expense of publishing under Section 5.6.5, expense of data processing and photographic production techniques when used in connection with Additional Services, and, if authorized in advance by the District, expense of overtime work requiring higher than regular rates. Reimbursable Expenses do not include indirect costs, such as general overhead (for example, home office overhead [including technology hardware and software] or insurance premiums), for which Architect must pay out of its compensation for services under Section 4.1, above; nor do they include expenses incurred in connection with Basic or Additional Services that result from Wrongful Acts or Omissions.

**4.3.2** Architect shall be reimbursed by District for its Reimbursable Expenses on the Project. Architect's total reimbursement for Reimbursable Expenses shall not exceed \$\_\_\_\_\_, which is Architect's estimate of the maximum total cost of Reimbursable Expenses on the Project.

**4.4** The total not-to-exceed price under this Agreement based on Sections 4.1, 4.2, and 4.3 above is \$\_\_\_\_\_. For services satisfactorily performed, payment for Basic Services, Additional Services and Reimbursable Expenses shall be made on a monthly basis after receipt and approval by the District of the Architect's properly documented and submitted invoices. To be "properly documented and submitted," an invoice shall be timely, be accompanied by all necessary documentation, list all activities performed, and for each activity performed list the hours spent on the activity, the person performing it, and the person's rate of compensation. Architect's invoice shall be submitted within ten (10) days of the end of the monthly billing period. Invoices, receipts and other documentation to establish the validity of all Reimbursable Expenses shall be a prerequisite to District payment of such expenses. If District disputes a portion of a properly submitted invoice, it shall notify Architect of the dispute and, upon Architect's request, arrange for a meeting to confer about, and potentially resolve, the dispute. Prior to this meeting, Architect shall provide all documentation requested to support disputed portions of a properly submitted invoice. Regardless of any such dispute about an invoice or payment, Architect shall continue to provide all services required by this Agreement and law until the end of the Project, even if District and Architect cannot resolve all such disputes. Payments of undisputed portions of a properly submitted invoice shall be made within 60 days of receipt of the invoice; Architect otherwise waives all rights and remedies under law related to receipt of payment of undisputed amounts.

**4.5** The Architect's compensation shall be paid notwithstanding a Contractor-caused delay in completion of the Project or reduction of final construction cost by reason of penalties, liquidated damages, or other amounts withheld from the Contractor. However, District may withhold from payments to Architect to the

extent (i) that the withholding is permitted by law, (ii) that Basic and Additional Services remain to be performed, including but not limited to those required for Project closeout and payments to Contractor, or (iii) that Wrongful Acts or Omissions caused District to incur damages, losses, liabilities or costs, including but not limited to withholding any amounts for which Architect is responsible under Section 5.7.20. Funds will be withheld from any Construction Phase payments until District receives certification of Field Act approval. If the total amount invoiced by Architect reaches the not-to-exceed Basic Services amount before Architect's Basic Services under this Agreement are complete, Architect must complete the Basic Services without submitting additional invoices, or receiving additional payment, for Basic Services.

4.6 Should District cancel the Project under Section 12.1 of this Agreement at any time during the performance of this Agreement, Architect shall, upon notice of such cancellation, immediately cease all work under this Agreement. In such event, Architect's total fee for all services performed shall be computed as set forth in Section 12.1.

4.7 District has the right to audit Architect's records and files regarding, or relating to, any of the work performed by Architect for District on this Project during or after the Project. Architect shall keep complete records showing all hours worked and all costs and charges applicable to its work under this Agreement. Architect will be responsible for Architect's consultants keeping similar records. District shall be given reasonable access to Architect's Project related records and files for audit purposes within ten (10) days of receipt of District's request. Architect shall keep and maintain those records and files for ten (10) years.

4.8 Architect's hourly rate schedule for its services is attached as *Exhibit A*.

4.9 Architect shall not accept compensation or other benefits from other persons related to the Project, including payments from manufacturers of construction materials that are specified in the design.

## **ARTICLE 5 BASIC SERVICES TO BE RENDERED BY ARCHITECT**

### **5.1 General**

5.1.1 Architect's Basic Services consist of the design services, including landscaping architectural services and landscape irrigation design, civil, structural, mechanical, and electrical engineering services, normally required to complete the Project. The Basic Services also include the services described in this Article 5, below, including but not limited to bid package preparation, bid handling, preparation and processing of change orders, requests for information, and other contract administration duties. The District shall have the right to add or delete from the Architect's scope of services as it may determine is necessary for the best interests of the Project and/or the District. Architect shall expeditiously and diligently perform all of its work and obligations under this Agreement. Architect may not cease, delay or reduce, or threaten to cease, delay or reduce, its performance based on a payment dispute with District under Section 4.4, above. The Architect acknowledges that its priority is to complete the Project and the Architect's services, and that any payment disputes with the District under Section 4.4, if not resolved during the Project, must wait for resolution after the Project.

5.1.2 The Architect shall review the estimate described more fully below at each phase of Architect's services, also as defined below. If such estimates are in excess of the Project budget, the Architect shall revise the type or quality of construction to come within the budgeted limit.

5.1.3 Whenever the Architect's services include the presentation to the District of Project Construction Cost, the Architect shall include a reasonable amount for contingency costs arising from, among other things, higher bids than anticipated, future increase in construction costs, and change orders based on unforeseen site conditions.

5.1.4 The Architect shall notify the District if there are any indicated adjustments in previously provided Project Construction Cost arising from market fluctuations or approved changes in scope or requirements based upon a mutually agreed upon index.

5.1.5 At the District's request, the Architect and Architect's consultants shall cooperate with District and the District's consultants in verifying that Architect's plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents relating to the Project are constructible and otherwise comply with the Contract Documents. If there are Project meetings during the design and construction phases, Architect shall attend those meetings.

5.1.6 The Architect shall investigate existing conditions of facilities and thoroughly account for, and list in the construction documents, any pertinent conditions of such facilities, all in a manner that satisfies the standard of care and level of performance required by this Agreement. Architect's investigation required by this provision shall be limited to non-destructive evaluation.

5.1.7 Architect shall provide a minimum of \_\_\_\_ ( ) full-time employees before construction commences, and \_\_\_\_ ( ) full-time employees after construction commences, to perform its duties and responsibilities under this Agreement. All personnel provided by Architect shall be qualified to perform the services for which they are provided. Architect shall obtain District's written approval of each employee of Architect who provides services under this Agreement, and written approval of each change of employees who are providing such services. District may, upon \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) days' written notice, cause Architect to remove a person from the Project if he/she has failed to perform to District's satisfaction. Should additional employees be required to timely perform all of the services required under this Agreement and/or to avoid delay, Architect shall provide them immediately.

5.1.8 Architect is an agent of District and shall reasonably represent the District at all times in relation to the Project.

5.1.9 Architect shall be fully licensed as required by law at all times when providing services under this Agreement.

## **5.2 Consultants**

5.2.1 Architect's Consultants. The Architect shall employ or retain at Architect's own expense, engineers and other consultants necessary to Architect's performance of this Agreement and licensed to practice in their respective professions in the State of California. Engineers and consultants retained or employed by Architect for this Project shall be approved by District prior to their commencement of work. The Architect's consultants shall be employed or retained to provide assistance during all aspects of the Project and will include, in addition to design services: review of schedules, shop drawings, samples, submittals, and requests for information. The Architect's Consultants shall also conduct periodic inspections of the site to determine conformance with the Project design and specifications and shall participate in the final inspections and development of any "punch list" items. Architect must disclose to District all such consultants employed or retained, and the compensation paid to those retained.

5.2.2 District's Consultants. Architect shall confer and cooperate with consultants retained by District as may be requested by District or as reasonably necessary. District may retain a construction manager to assist District in performance of District's duties for the Project, including assistance to Architect in performance of its duties under this Agreement. If a construction manager is retained by District, the parties agree to amend this Agreement, as applicable, to integrate the construction manager's duties and responsibilities.

5.2.3 The Architect shall procure a certified survey of the site if required, including grades and lines of streets, alleys, pavements, adjoining properties and structures; adjacent drainage; rights-of-way, restrictions, easements, encroachments, zoning, deed restrictions, boundaries and contours of the building site, locations, dimensions and floor elevations of existing buildings, other improvements and trees; and full information as to available utility services and lines, both public and private above and below grade, including inverts and depths. All the information on the survey customarily referenced to a project benchmark shall be referenced to a Project benchmark. The cost of any such survey shall be borne by the District, and the District shall own and, upon termination of this Agreement or completion of the Project, shall have returned to it by Architect any designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents prepared as part of the survey.

5.2.4 If required by District, Architect shall procure chemical, mechanical or other tests required for proper design, tests for hazardous materials and borings or test pits necessary for determining subsoil conditions. The cost of any such tests shall be borne by the District, and the District shall own and, upon termination of this Agreement or completion of the Project, shall have returned to it by Architect any designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents prepared as part of the testing.

5.2.5 Architect shall assist the District and its consultants to apply for funding for the Project from the State Allocation Board. Architect shall be responsible for all submittals required of the Architect by the Division of the State Architect ("DSA"), OPSC and California Department of Education in connection therewith.

### **5.3 Schematic Design Phase**

5.3.1 The Architect shall review all information concerning the Project delivered or communicated by the District to the Architect to ascertain the requirements of the Project and shall arrive at a mutual understanding of such requirements with the District.

5.3.2 The Architect shall provide a preliminary evaluation of the District's Project, schedule and construction budget requirements, each in terms of the other.

5.3.3 The Architect shall review with the District alternative approaches to the design and construction of the Project and shall include alternatives that may reduce the cost and/or duration of the Project.

5.3.4 Based on a mutual understanding of the District's budget and scope of work requirements, the Architect shall prepare for the District's governing board's written approval, schematic design documents, which include but are not limited to, schematic design studies, site utilization plans, a description of the Project showing, among other things, the scale and relationship of the components of the Project, preparation of a written estimated statement of Project Construction Cost and a written schedule for the performance of the work that itemizes constraints and critical path issues. The schematic design documents shall represent a 15% complete design. The Project Construction Cost shall be based on current area, volume and other unit costs, shall conform to District's total construction cost budget, and shall

include reasonable contingencies for all construction and construction management work. The written schedule shall conform to District's milestone and completion deadline requirements. Nevertheless, Architect is encouraged to make recommendations to District regarding additional benefits that could be realized by increasing the District's total construction cost budget, or by altering the District's completion deadlines. If District incorporates any recommended changes, then Architect shall revise the schematic design documents, including but not limited to the written statement of Project Construction Cost and written schedule for the performance of work, as necessary until District's governing board approves them in writing. Architect shall attend, and present at, as many meetings of the District's governing board as may be necessary to obtain the board's approval of the schematic design documents.

#### **5.4 Design Development Phase**

5.4.1 Following District's governing board's written approval of the schematic design documents, including the estimate of Project Construction Cost and schedule, Architect shall provide all necessary architectural and engineering services to prepare design development documents for the District's governing board's written approval, which fix and describe the size and character of the project and which shall include, but are not limited to, site and floor plans, elevations and other approved drawings and shall outline the specifications of the entire Project as to kind and quality of materials, categories of proposed work such as architectural, structural, mechanical and electrical systems, types of structures and all such other work as may be required. During the design development phase, Architect will keep the Project within all budget and scope constraints set by the District. The design development documents shall represent a 50% complete design. The design development documents shall include a revised Project Construction Cost, and a revised construction schedule. The revised Project Construction Cost shall be based on current area, volume and other unit costs. The revised Project Construction Cost shall conform to District's total construction cost budget and shall include reasonable contingencies for all construction and construction management work. The revised construction schedule shall conform to District's milestone and completion deadline requirements. Nevertheless, Architect is encouraged to make recommendations to District regarding additional benefits that could be realized by altering the District's total construction cost budget or completion deadlines. If District incorporates any recommended changes or otherwise does not approve the submitted design development documents, then Architect shall revise the design development documents, including but not limited to the written statement of Project Construction Cost and written schedule for the performance of work, as necessary until District's governing board approves them in writing. Architect shall attend, and present at, as many meetings of the District's governing board as may be necessary to obtain the board's approval of the design development documents.

5.4.2 The Architect shall assist the District and its consultants in the preparation and/or modification of the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan if any such plan is required for this Project.

5.4.3 Architect shall prepare necessary documents for and oversee the processing of District's application for and obtaining of required approvals from the DSA, the OPSC (if applicable), the Department of Education, the State Fire Marshall and other agencies exercising jurisdiction over the Project. Architect shall also be responsible for the preparation and submission of any required applications, notices or certificates to public agencies as required by law. Architect shall provide a copy of all such documents to the District.

5.4.4 The Architect shall advise the District of any adjustments to the preliminary Project Construction Cost.

5.4.5 Architect shall identify areas of construction for which unit pricing shall be required as part of the Contractor's bid.

5.4.6 Architect shall provide at no expense to the District one complete set of design development documents for the review and written approval of the District and one set for each public agency having approval authority over such plans for their review and approval at no expense to the District.

## **5.5 Contract Documents Phase**

5.5.1 Following the District's governing board's written approval of the design development documents, including the Project Construction Cost and construction schedule, the Architect shall prepare Contract Documents for the written approval of District's governing board consisting of 100% complete working drawings and specifications setting forth the work to be done in detail sufficient for construction, including but not limited to the materials, workmanship, finishes and equipment required for the architectural, structural, mechanical, electrical system and utility-service-connected equipment and site work. Architect shall ensure that the drawings and specifications are, among other things, complete, accurate, and coordinated so as to eliminate errors, omissions and conflicts, especially between the work of a (sub)consultant and other (sub)consultants or the Architect; and Architect may not shift its responsibility for completeness, accuracy and coordination to the Contractor, except on a clearly designated design-build project. Architect shall also update the construction schedule and the Project Construction Cost for written approval of District's governing board. The Contract Documents shall conform to, comply with, and satisfy all applicable Federal, State and local laws, including but not limited to statutes, decisions, regulations, building or other codes, ordinances, charters, and the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"). As part of the Contract Documents, Architect shall prepare an accurate set of drawings indicating dimensions and locations of existing buried utility lines, which shall be included in the bid packages. If the project is intended to be split into multiple prime contracts, then the Contract Documents shall be structured in order to maximize the ability to create multiple prime bid packages for the Project and shall identify the bid packages to be created.

5.5.2 Architect shall consult with, and involve, the District in development of the bid documents and bid package, and shall forward them to the District for written approval prior to their use. If the District is using a multiple prime delivery method for the Project with multiple bid packages, then Architect shall consult with and involve the District in identification and development of the bid documents and bid packages, and shall forward them to the District for written approval prior to their use.

5.5.3 Prior to submission of the Contract Documents to DSA for plan check, the Architect shall submit the Contract Documents, including the 100% complete working drawings and specifications, to the District for an opportunity to review them for various issues, including but not limited to constructability, scheduling, general completeness, clarity, consistency, coordination, cost-effectiveness, value engineering, identification of possible add/delete bid alternatives, time of construction, and suitability for separation of the Project design, plans and specifications into bid packages for various categories and/or portions of the work. However, such review by District is not required and does not affect Architect's obligations under this Agreement.

5.5.4 After approval by the District's governing board and any constructability review, the Architect shall submit the Contract Documents to DSA for plan check, and make the necessary corrections to secure DSA approval. At Architect's expense, Architect shall arrange for the scanning of the DSA approved Contract Documents and for the return of the originals and an electronic copy to DSA.

5.5.5 The Architect shall give the District, at the time of DSA approval of the final form of the Contract Documents, Architect's final estimate of Project Construction Cost and construction schedule, which shall be given final written approval by District's governing board along with the Contract Documents. The revised Project Construction Cost shall be based on current area, volume and other unit costs, and on a mutually acceptable recognized building cost index, and shall include a reasonable contingency. In preparing the revised estimate of Project Construction cost and construction schedule for the Contract Documents, the Architect shall consult with, and involve, the District in the process to maximize accuracy and completeness. If the District is intending to enter multiple prime contracts, the Project Construction Cost shall include separate bid estimates for each bid package, plus a reasonable contingency; and the construction schedule shall reflect that multiple contractors will be performing separate bid packages, including a general conditions bid package. The revised Project Construction Cost estimate shall conform to District's total Project budget, and the revised construction schedule shall conform to District's milestone and completion deadline requirements. Architect shall attend, and present at, as many meetings of the District's governing board as may be necessary to obtain the board's written approval of the Contract Documents.

## 5.6 Bidding and Negotiations Phase

5.6.1 Following DSA's and District's governing board's written approval of Contract Documents, and District's governing board's written acceptance of Architect's final estimate of Project Construction Cost and construction schedule, Architect shall continue to work with the District in finalizing the bid documents and bid package, as described in Section 5.5.2, above. Architect shall reproduce the bid documents and bid package in the number requested by the District and distribute them among interested contractors. Architect shall also assist the District in obtaining bids, and shall assist the District in evaluating contract proposals or bids and substitutions proposed by contractors, and in awarding the bids. All sets of Contract Documents, which does not include those for the use of the Architect or its consultants, requested by the District in excess of six (6) shall be reproduced at District's expense.

5.6.2 Architect's estimate of Project Construction Cost at the time of DSA approval of the Contract Documents shall be current as of that date. Should bids be received more than ninety (90) days after the date of that Project Construction Cost, the Architect's total construction cost shall be escalated by the cost-of-construction in the then current mutually agreed upon recognized building cost index.

5.6.3 Should the lowest responsible and responsive bid received on a bid package exceed Architect's most recent approved estimate of Project Construction Cost for that bid package (or amount adjusted according to the then current mutually agreed upon recognized building cost index) as accepted by District by more than ten percent (10%), Architect shall, on request by District and as part of Architect's Basic Services, make such changes in the plans and specifications as shall be necessary to bring new bids within ten percent (10%) of such Project Construction Cost, but Architect will not be entitled to payment for any Basic Services related to making such changes and re-bidding the Project. In making such changes, Architect will exercise Architect's best judgment in determining the balance between the size of the Project, the type of construction, and the quality of the construction to achieve a satisfactory project within ten percent (10%) of Architect's Project Construction Cost. To avoid the potential for bids to exceed the estimate by more than 10% at bid opening, the Architect may, as an alternative, include in the Contract Documents one or more deductive alternatives so that Architect and District may evaluate different means to achieve a satisfactory project within ten percent (10%) of the Architect's Project Construction Cost.

***[For financial hardship projects, use the following paragraph for 5.6.3 in lieu of the preceding paragraph:]*** This project is a financial hardship project, and should the lowest responsible and responsive

bid received on a bid package exceed Architect's most recent approved estimate of Project Construction Cost for that bid package (or amount adjusted according to the then current mutually agreed upon recognized building cost index) as accepted by District, Architect shall, on request by District and as part of Architect's Basic Services, make such changes in the plans and specifications as shall be necessary to bring new bids that are less than such Project Construction Cost. In making such changes, Architect will exercise Architect's best judgment in determining the balance between the size of the Project, the type of construction, and the quality of the construction to achieve a satisfactory project at less than the Architect's Project Construction Cost. To avoid the potential for bids to exceed the estimate at bid opening, the Architect may, as an alternative, include in the Contract Documents for a bid package one or more deductive alternatives so that Architect and District may evaluate different means to achieve a satisfactory project at less than the Architect's Project Construction Cost.

5.6.4 Either on its own or in cooperation with the District, the Architect shall review the qualifications of all bidders for the construction of the Project, and shall make recommendations to the District as to whether, in the Architect's professional opinion, a bidder meets the minimum requirements.

5.6.5 If, in the District's discretion, the District will seek total or partial State funding for this Project, the Architect shall, in addition to the above, publish the invitation to bid in the appropriate regional trade papers and publications devoted to Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises. The Architect shall also prepare and submit the appropriate documentation to the OPSC.

## **5.7 Construction Phase**

5.7.1 The construction phase shall begin on the date stated in the official Notice to Proceed.

5.7.2 All instructions to the Contractor shall be forwarded through the Architect unless otherwise directed by the District. The Architect shall advise and consult with the District in the general administration of the Project. The Architect will have authority to act on behalf of the District only to the extent provided in the Contract Documents, unless District grants additional authority in writing.

5.7.3 The Architect shall timely provide District with copies of all of its correspondence with the Contractor.

5.7.4 The Architect shall provide prompt and timely direction to the District, Project inspectors and/or Contractor as to the interpretation of Contract Documents. Architect shall respond to all requests for information ("RFI's") from a Contractor within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt, unless the subject of the RFI is impacting, or may impact, the critical path of the Project and is causing, or may cause, delay, in which case the Architect shall respond as soon as reasonably possible, if not immediately. If the Architect is not able to take action within the time required due to reasons beyond Architect's control, the Architect may take action within a reasonable period of time under the circumstances; however, the Architect shall make such determination within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the RFI, and shall notify the District and Contractor immediately after such determination with an explanation as to why the Architect cannot take action within the time required, what the Architect is doing to expedite its response, when the Architect expects to be able to issue a response, and what action, if any, should be taken by District or Contractor in the meantime to mitigate delays and/or costs.

5.7.5 Based on information provided by the Contractor and Architect's own knowledge of the Project (including documents in Architect's possession or reasonably available to it), Architect shall prepare an accurate set of as-built record drawings indicating dimensions and locations of all work, including but

not limited to buried utility lines and mechanical, electrical and plumbing layouts, which shall be forwarded to the District upon completion of the Project. While Architect cannot guarantee precise accuracy of such drawings, Architect shall exercise reasonable care in reviewing such drawings to determine their general compliance with the Contract Documents. Architect shall have no responsibility for their conformity to field conditions, except that in the event that the Architect, consistent with standards of due care, becomes aware of non-conformity with field conditions, Architect shall have a duty immediately to notify the District in writing. Architect shall also assemble and deliver to District all written guarantees, instruction books, operation and maintenance manuals, diagrams, charts and other documents required of Contractor.

5.7.6 The Architect shall be responsible for the preparation and submission of any notifications regarding excavation in areas which are known or suspected to contain subsurface installations under Government Code section 4216, *et seq.* The Architect may delegate this responsibility to a Contractor if such power to delegate was included in the Contract Documents and bid package, but Architect shall remain responsible for supervising such Contractor to ensure performance of this task. Architect shall provide a copy of all such notifications to the District.

5.7.7 The Architect shall, at all times, have access to the Project wherever it is in preparation and progress. To the extent reasonably possible given Contractor's work in progress, the District shall provide such access so that the Architect may perform its functions under the Agreement and Contract Documents.

5.7.8 In the discharge of its duties of observation and interpretation, the Architect shall require Contractors to comply with the Contract Documents, and shall guard the District against defects and deficiencies in the work of the Contractor. The Architect shall advise and consult with the District and inspectors concerning the Contractor's compliance with the Contract Documents and shall assist the District and inspectors in securing the Contractor's compliance.

Unless assigned to another party (such as a construction manager) by the District in writing, Architect has the primary responsibility for the Project to supervise, coordinate and manage the compliance of all parties, including the District's Inspector of Record/Project Inspector ("IOR"), Contractor, any Construction Manager, laboratories, District and Architect itself, with the DSA Construction Oversight Process.

The Architect must comply with the applicable requirements of the DSA Construction Oversight Process, including but not limited to (a) submitting the inspection card request form (DSA 102-IC), (b) providing a verified report (DSA 6-AE) at the completion of each block and section of each inspection card, and (c) directing and monitoring the IOR and laboratories of record, and (d) coordinating with the Owner, Contractor, any Construction Manager, laboratories, and the IOR to meet the DSA Construction Oversight Process requirements without delay or added costs to the Project.

The Architect shall be responsible for any additional DSA fees and delay damages related to review of proposed changes to the DSA-approved construction documents, to the extent Architect's negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct caused the additional DSA fees, and for delay damages to the extent required under Section 5.7.20.2 below.

5.7.9 The Architect shall visit the site, both as the Architect deems necessary and as requested by the District, but under no circumstances less than \_\_\_\_\_, to maintain familiarity with the quality and progress of the Project, to determine that the Contractor's work substantially complies with all documents, drawings, plans and specifications and that the Project is progressing in substantial accordance with the Contract Documents. Such observations are to be distinguished from the continuous inspection provided by the Project Inspector unless Architect has agreed in writing to serve as the District's Project Inspector.

5.7.10 The Architect shall notify the District promptly of any significant defect in materials, equipment or workmanship, and of any default by any Contractor in the orderly and timely prosecution of the Project. Architect will exercise reasonable care in the discharge of Architect's obligation to discover significant defects and faults.

5.7.11 The Architect shall review and approve, take exception to, or take other appropriate action upon all schedules, shop drawings, samples and other submissions of the Contractor to determine general conformance with the Project design and specifications as set forth in the Contract Documents. All such action shall be taken within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the submittals, unless the critical path of the Project is impacted in which case Architect shall take such action as soon as possible. If Architect is not able to take such action within the required time due to reasons beyond Architect's control, the Architect may take action within a reasonable period of time under the circumstances; however, the Architect shall make such determination within four (4) calendar days of receipt of the submission, and shall notify the District and Contractor immediately after such determination with an explanation as to why the Architect cannot take action within the time required, what the Architect is doing to expedite its response, when the Architect expects to be able to issue a response, and what action, if any, should be taken by District or Contractor in the meantime to mitigate delays and/or costs. The Architect will have the authority to reject work and materials which do not conform to the Contract Documents. The Architect's approval of a specific item shall not be an approval of an assembly of which the item is a component. Whenever, in the Architect's reasonable judgment, it is considered necessary or advisable for the implementation of the intent of the Contract Documents, the Architect will have authority to require special inspection or testing of the work or materials in accordance with the Contract Documents whether or not such work or materials be then fabricated, installed or completed. The Architect will also recommend substitution of materials or equipment when, in the Architect's reasonable judgment, such action is necessary to the accomplishment of the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents. Such actions as are described in this paragraph shall be taken with reasonable promptness.

5.7.12 Architect shall assist the District in requiring Contractor to provide assistance in the utilization of any equipment or system such as initial start-up or testing, adjusting and balancing, preparation of operation and maintenance manuals and training personnel for operation and maintenance.

5.7.13 The Architect shall not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or for safety precautions or programs in connection with the work. The Architect shall not be responsible for acts or omissions of the Contractor, subcontractors, or their agents or employees or of any other persons performing portions of the Project not employed or retained by Architect, unless due to Wrongful Acts or Omissions.

5.7.14 The Architect shall make such regular reports as shall be required by agencies having jurisdiction over the Project and keep the District informed in writing of the progress of the Project.

5.7.15 The Architect will, consistent with standards of due care, make reasonable professional efforts to exclude hazardous materials from new construction. In the event the District or Architect is or becomes aware of the presence of, or exposure of persons to, asbestos, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) or any other toxic or hazardous contaminants, materials, air pollutants or water pollutants at the Project site ("Hazardous Substances"), or the substantial risk thereof, each shall have a duty immediately to notify the other in writing. The parties recognize, however, that neither Architect nor the District is trained or licensed in the recognition or remediation of Hazardous Substances.

***[OPTIONAL PARAGRAPH:] With respect to asbestos and asbestos containing materials, the parties acknowledge that the Architect has recommended, and the District has agreed to retain a qualified consultant to evaluate the presence of such materials at certain District facilities which are included in the scope of this Agreement. In the event that said consultant recommends a procedure to deal with such materials, said consultant shall have the responsibility to draft specification language for the removal or other remediation of such materials, and subsequently may be required to certify that they have been properly removed or otherwise remediated. Architect shall include consultant's recommendations and specifications in the appropriate design documents for modernization and shall, as part of its Basic Services, provide designs and other bid documents consistent therewith.***

When construction is properly completed, Architect shall provide such certification as to Hazardous Substances as is required of architects for such projects by the OPSC.

5.7.16 Based on the Architect's observations, and an evaluation of each Project Application for Payment, the Architect will estimate the amount of work completed by Contractor, and assist the District in (a) determining the amount owing to the Contractor, and (b) issuing Project Certificates for Payment incorporating such amount, all in accordance with the Contract Documents. The Architect's estimation of the amount of work completed by Contractor shall constitute representations by the Architect to the District that the quality of the completed work is in accordance with the Contract Documents based upon Architect's observations of the completed work, and that the Contractor is entitled to payment for the completed work.

5.7.17 Notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, as a part of its Basic Services the Architect shall assist the District in evaluating and responding to claims, disputes and other matters in question between the Contractor and the District, including but not limited to claims made against the District as a result of alleged or claimed Wrongful Acts or Omissions, and shall in all instances provide such truthful testimonial assistance as may be required by the District at no cost to the District. Architect agrees to toll all statutory periods of limitations for District's claims, lawsuits or other proceedings against Architect which arise out of, or are related to, any claims by Contractors against District until Contractors' claims are fully and finally resolved. This tolling period commences upon a Contractor's initial submission of a notice of claim, change order request or claim. At any time, District may terminate the tolling period effective ten (10) days after written notice to Architect, and after such termination, District may pursue claims, lawsuits or other proceedings against Architect.

5.7.18 The Architect will provide advice to the District on apparent deficiencies in construction, both during construction and after acceptance of the Project.

5.7.19 The Architect shall recommend, prepare and process the necessary change orders. Payment of fees to the Architect as a result of change orders shall be handled as follows:

5.7.19.1 District-initiated change orders. If a change order is initiated by the District, the Architect's fee for services related to such change order shall be paid as an Additional Service under Articles 4 and 6. If a change order is solicited by the District but not subsequently authorized by the District, the Architect shall be paid for time spent on the proposed change order.

5.7.19.2 Change orders due to Architect. When a change order is necessitated as a result of Wrongful Acts or Omissions, the Architect's services in connection with that change order are not compensable and Architect shall not include those services on any invoice.

5.7.19.3 Change orders beyond District or Architect control. If a change order is necessitated as a result of changes in law, in-field changes required by governing agencies after document approval, unknown, unforeseeable or hidden conditions, or actual conditions inconsistent with available drawings of existing conditions, such change orders shall be handled in the same manner as District-initiated change orders.

5.7.20 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event a change order is caused by, or necessitated as a result of, Wrongful Acts or Omissions, or the District otherwise incurs costs or damages as a result of Wrongful Acts or Omissions, the Architect shall be responsible for the following:

5.7.20.1 In the event of such a change order, Architect shall be responsible for the difference between (a) what the contractor would have added to its original bid for the Project if the Wrongful Act or Omission had not occurred (i.e., the “added value” portion of the change order), and (b) what the contractor charges the District in the change order. The amount of added value of any change order work shall be based on the circumstances of the Architect’s Wrongful Act or Omission and the change order work necessitated by the Wrongful Act or Omission. It is the parties’ intent that the District should pay no more than what the District would have paid if the Wrongful Act or Omission had not occurred.

5.7.20.2 In addition, Architect shall be responsible for any other costs or damages which the District incurs as a result of Wrongful Acts or Omissions, including but not limited to any delay damages the District pays to, or cannot collect from, Contractor or any third party.

The District may backcharge, and withhold payment from, the Architect for these costs and damages, and may seek reimbursement for any amount which exceeds any retention of the contract amount at the time of collection. When District so backcharges and withholds, upon Architect’s request District and Architect shall meet and confer in good faith in an effort to reach agreement on (a) whether a Wrongful Act or Omission occurred, (b) whether it caused the change order expense, (c) what damages have been incurred by District, and (d) what portion of the damages are attributable to Architect as described above. If District and Architect do not reach agreement on all four of these items when meeting and conferring, then District and Architect shall use mediation in good faith to resolve the dispute. If mediation fails, then either District or Architect can initiate a court action to resolve the dispute.

5.7.21 The Architect shall provide a color schedule of all finish materials in the Project for the District’s review and approval.

5.7.22 The Architect shall assist District in determining the date of final completion and make a final detailed on-site review of the job with representatives of the District and the Contractor. Architect shall also perform a warranty review with District 30-60 days before expiration of the specified warranty on the Project.

5.7.23 The Architect shall assist the District in issuing the final certificate for payment and any other documents required to be recorded by law or generally accepted architectural or construction contract practice upon compliance with the requirements of the Contract Documents, provided that such certification shall not constitute an admission that the Project has been completed in accordance with Contract Documents or in conformance with this Agreement.

5.7.24 Architect shall make reasonable professional efforts so that the finished Project complies with all standards imposed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, disability access requirements of the State Building Code and any other laws applicable to disability

access. If a court, administrative agency or other trier of fact later determines that Architect has violated any of the above-referenced laws, or District, because of Wrongful Acts or Omissions, has violated any of the above-referenced laws, Architect shall remedy the violation at its own cost. **Architect shall indemnify, defend and hold the District harmless under Article 18.1 of this Agreement for any breach of this paragraph arising from, pertaining to, or related to Architect's negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct.** The Architect shall not be responsible for acts or omissions of the Contractor or of any other persons performing portions of the Project not employed or retained by Architect, nor shall Architect be responsible for any subsequent changes in the law or any regulation applicable to disabled access or any subsequent differing interpretation of the laws or regulations applicable at the time Architect's design is reviewed by DSA. In the event that the Architect is or becomes aware of possible non-compliance with the foregoing standards, Architect shall have a duty immediately to notify the District in writing of the possible non-compliance.

**5.8 Use of Previously Prepared Materials.** In the event that there exist previously prepared designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents, or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings, that were prepared by design professionals other than Architect, whether supplied by District or by Architect, which are relied upon, altered or otherwise utilized by Architect, Architect shall be responsible for giving appropriate recognition to such other design professionals in any materials prepared by Architect under this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 6**

### **ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO BE RENDERED BY ARCHITECT**

6.1 "Additional Services" shall be provided by Architect if authorized and directed in writing by District. Compensation for Additional Services shall be paid based on the hourly rates in Section 4.8 and as otherwise set forth in this Agreement, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties in a Board-approved amendment. Any services performed by Architect without such written authorization and direction shall be presumed to be Basic Services.

6.2 The following is a list of services that are not included in the Basic Services to be provided under this Agreement, and will be performed only in accordance with Article 6.1, above:

- 6.2.1 providing financial feasibility or other special studies;
- 6.2.2 providing services relative to future facilities, systems and equipment which are not intended to be constructed during the Construction Phase;
- 6.2.3 providing coordination of Project performed by separate contractors or by the District's own forces;
- 6.2.4 providing analyses of owning and operating costs, or detailed quantity surveys or inventories of material, equipment and labor;
- 6.2.5 making revisions in drawings, specifications or other documents when such revisions are inconsistent with written approvals or instructions previously given, are required by the enactment or revision of codes, laws or regulations subsequent to the District's approval of Contract Documents or are due to other causes not within the control of the Architect;

- 6.2.6 providing consultation concerning replacement of any work damaged by fire or other cause during construction of the Project, and furnishing services as may be required in connection with the replacement of such work;
- 6.2.7 providing services made necessary by the default of the Contractor;
- 6.2.8 preparing to serve or serving as an expert witness in connection with any public hearing, arbitration proceeding or legal proceeding, other than when resulting from Architect's or its consultants' alleged Wrongful Acts or Omissions;
- 6.2.9 providing services of consultants for other than the normal architectural, civil, soils, structural, mechanical and electrical engineering services for the Project;
- 6.2.10 at the District's request, selecting moveable furniture, equipment or articles which are not included in the Contract Documents;
- 6.2.11 providing services related to change orders requested by the District, but which are not subsequently authorized (see second sentence of Section 5.7.19.1), above; and
- 6.2.12 providing any other services not otherwise included in the Agreement and not customarily furnished in accordance with generally accepted architectural practice.

## **ARTICLE 7 RESPONSIBILITIES OF DISTRICT**

It shall be the duty of District to:

- 7.1 pay all fees required by any reviewing or licensing agency;
- 7.2 designate a representative authorized to act as a liaison between the Architect and the District in the administration of this Agreement and the Contract Documents;
- 7.3 furnish, at the District's expense, the services of a Project Inspector;
- 7.4 review all documents submitted by the Architect and advise the Architect of decisions thereon within a reasonable time after submission;
- 7.5 issue appropriate orders to Contractors through the Architect;
- 7.6 furnish existing soil investigation or geological hazard reports, which the District shall own and, upon termination of this Agreement or completion of the Project, shall have returned to it by Architect;
- 7.7 furnish the services of a hydrologist or other consultants not routinely provided by the Architect when such services are reasonably required by the scope of the Project and are requested by the Architect;
- 7.8 provide asbestos review and abatement, identifying materials which may qualify for same;
- 7.9 furnish available as-built drawings for buildings and utilities systems related to the Project, which the District shall own and, upon termination of this Agreement or completion of the Project, shall have returned

to it by the Architect. The District will also provide information regarding programmatic needs and specific equipment selection data;

7.10 furnish structural, mechanical, chemical and other laboratory tests, inspections and reports as required by law or the Contract Documents, which the District shall own and, upon termination of this Agreement or completion of the Project, shall have returned to it by the Architect; and

7.11 furnish prompt notice of any fault or defects in the Project or nonconformance with the Contract Documents of which the District becomes aware. However, the District's failure to do so shall not relieve the Architect of Architect's responsibilities under Title 21, Title 24, and the Field Act for this Project and under this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **PUBLIC LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE**

8.1 Prior to the commencement of services under this Agreement, the Architect shall furnish to the District a certificate of insurance, Additional Insured Endorsement and Declarations Page for the period covered by this Agreement, for public liability and property damage with an insurance carrier satisfactory to the District, under forms satisfactory to the District, to protect the Architect and District against loss from liability imposed for damages (1) on account of bodily or personal injuries, including death, disease and sickness, accidentally suffered or alleged to have been suffered by any person or persons that may be caused directly or indirectly by the performance of this Agreement, and (2) on account of injury to or destruction of property, including the resultant loss of use of the Project or other District facilities or equipment, resulting from acts of commission or omission by the Architect, or otherwise resulting directly or indirectly from the Architect's operations in the performance of this Agreement. The District shall be named as an additional insured on all such policies.

8.2 The following insurance shall be maintained by the Architect in full force and effect during the entire period of performance of this Agreement, including any extensions.

Architect's comprehensive general and automobile liability insurance shall be written for not less than the following limits of liability:

#### **Comprehensive General Liability**

Each Occurrence:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each Occurrence

Damage to Rented Premises:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each Occurrence

Medical Expenses:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Any One Person

Personal and Advertising Injury:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each Occurrence

General Aggregate:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Aggregate

Products – Completed Operations:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Aggregate

#### **Comprehensive Automobile Liability**

Combined Single Limit:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each Accident

Property Damage:  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each Accident

## **Workers' Compensation**

Worker's compensation insurance as required by Labor Code section 3200, *et seq.*

## **Employers' Liability**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Each Accident  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Disease – Each Employee  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Disease – Policy Limit

If liability insurance is not reasonably available on an occurrence basis, Architect shall provide liability insurance on a claims-made basis.

8.3 Said insurance shall provide that the coverage afforded thereby shall be primary coverage (and non-contributory to any other existing valid and collectable insurance) to the full limit of liability stated in the Declarations Page and such insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, but the inclusion of more than one (1) insured shall not operate to increase the insurer's limits of liability. Said insurance shall also include a waiver of any subrogation rights as against the District.

8.4 Should any of the required insurance be provided under a claims-made form, Architect shall maintain such coverage continuously throughout the term of this Agreement, and without lapse, for a period of at least ten (10) years beyond the Agreement expiration or the filing of a Notice of Completion (whichever is later), to the effect that, should occurrences during the Agreement term give rise to claims made after expiration of the Agreement, such claims shall be covered by such claims-made policies. Nothing herein shall in any way limit or diminish Architect's obligations to the District under any provision, including any duty to indemnify and defend the District.

8.5 The Architect's insurance policies shall contain a provision for thirty (30) days written notice to the District of cancellation or reduction of coverage. The Architect shall name, on any policy of insurance required, the District as an additional insured. The Additional Insured Endorsement included on all such insurance policies shall state that coverage is afforded the additional insured with respect to claims arising out of operations performed by or on behalf of the insured. If the additional insureds have other insurance which is applicable to the loss, such other insurance shall be on an excess or contingent basis. The amount of the insurer's liability shall not be reduced by the existence of such other insurance. Architect shall not commence work under this Agreement until all required insurance certificates, declarations pages and additional insured endorsements have been obtained and delivered in duplicate to the District for approval subject to the following requirements. Thereafter Architect shall produce a certified copy of any insurance policy required under this Article upon written request of the District.

8.6 At the time of making application for any extension of time, Architect shall submit evidence that all required insurance will be in effect during the requested additional period of time.

8.7 If the Architect fails to maintain such insurance, the District may, but shall not be required to, take out such insurance to cover any damages of the above-mentioned classes for which the District might be held liable on account of the Architect's failure to pay such damages, and deduct and retain the amount of the premiums from any sums due the Architect under this Agreement.

8.8 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as limiting, in any way, the extent to which the Architect may be held responsible for the payment of damages resulting from the Architect's operations.

8.9 Each of Architect's consultants shall comply with this Article, and Architect shall include such provisions in its contracts with them.

8.10 Insurance companies providing the above policies shall be legally authorized, licensed and admitted through the California Department of Insurance to engage in the business of furnishing insurance in the State of California. All such insurance companies shall have no lower than an "A-, VIII" in Best's Rating Guide and shall be satisfactory to the District.

8.11 Any failure to maintain any item of the required insurance may, at District's sole option, be sufficient cause for termination of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 9 WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

9.1 Prior to the commencement of services under this Agreement, the Architect shall furnish to the District satisfactory proof that the Architect and all engineers, experts, consultants and subcontractors the Architect intends to employ have taken out, for the period covered by this Agreement, workers' compensation insurance with an insurance carrier satisfactory to the District for all persons whom they may employ in carrying out the work contemplated under this Agreement in accordance with the Workers' Compensation Laws of the State of California. All such insurance shall include a waiver of any subrogation rights as against the District. If the Architect employs any engineer, expert, consultant or subcontractor which it did not intend to employ prior to commencement of services, it must furnish such proof of workers' compensation insurance to the District immediately upon employment. Such insurance shall be maintained in full force and effect during the period covered by this Agreement including any extensions of time. If the Architect is self-insured, the Architect shall furnish a Certificate of Permission to Self-Insure and a Certificate of Self-Insurance satisfactory to the District.

9.2 Prior to the commencement of services under this Agreement, the Architect shall furnish to the District satisfactory proof that the Architect and all engineers, experts, consultants and subcontractors the Architect intends to employ have taken out employer's liability insurance with an insurance carrier satisfactory to the District. During the course of Architect's services, if Architect ever intends to employ additional or different engineers, experts, consultants or subcontractors, before so employing them Architect shall furnish such satisfactory proof of insurance to the District. Such insurance shall be maintained in full force and effect during the period covered by this Agreement including any extensions of time. If the Architect is self-insured, the Architect shall furnish a Certificate of Permission to Self-Insure and a Certificate of Self-Insurance satisfactory to the District.

## **ARTICLE 10 ERRORS AND OMISSIONS INSURANCE**

10.1 Prior to the commencement of services under this Agreement, the Architect shall furnish to the District satisfactory proof that the Architect has, for the period covered by this Agreement, errors and omissions insurance on an occurrence basis, with limits of at least \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars (\$\_\_\_\_\_) and with a deductible in an amount not to exceed the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000). If errors and omissions insurance is not reasonably available on an occurrence basis, Architect shall provide errors and omissions insurance on a claims-made basis.

10.2 Each of Architect's professional sub-consultants (including consultants of Architect's) shall comply with this Article 10, and Architect shall include such provisions in its contracts with them.

10.3 Said insurance shall provide that the coverage afforded thereby shall be primary coverage (and non-contributory to any other existing valid and collectable insurance) to the full limit of liability stated in the Declarations Page and such insurance shall apply separately to each insured against whom claim is made or suit is brought, but the inclusion of more than one (1) insured shall not operate to increase the insurer's limits of liability.

10.4 Should any of the required insurance be provided under a claims-made form, Architect shall maintain coverage continuously throughout the term of this Agreement, and without lapse, for a period of at least ten (10) years beyond the Agreement expiration or the filing of a Notice of Completion (whichever is later), to the effect that, should occurrences during the Agreement term give rise to claims made after expiration of the Agreement, such claims shall be covered by such claims-made policy. Nothing herein shall in any way limit or diminish Architect's obligations to the District under any provision, including any duty to indemnify and defend the District.

10.5 Architect shall not commence work under this Agreement until all required insurance certificates, declarations pages and additional insured endorsements have been obtained and delivered in duplicate to the District for approval. Thereafter Architect shall produce a certified copy of any insurance policy required under this Article upon written request of the District.

10.6 At the time of making application for any extension of time, Architect shall submit evidence that all required insurance policies will be in effect during the requested additional period of time.

10.7 If the Architect fails to maintain such insurance, the District may, but shall not be required to, take out such insurance, and may deduct and retain the amount of the premiums from any sums due the Architect under this Agreement.

10.8 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed as limiting, in any way, the extent to which the Architect may be held responsible for the payment of damages resulting from the Architect's operations.

10.9 Each of Architect's consultants shall comply with this Article, and Architect shall include such provisions in its contracts with them.

10.10 Insurance companies providing the above policies shall be legally authorized, licensed and admitted through the California Department of Insurance to engage in the business of furnishing insurance in the State of California. All such insurance companies shall have no lower than an "A-, VIII" in Best's Rating Guide and shall be satisfactory to the District.

10.11 Any failure to maintain any item of the required insurance may, at District's sole option, be sufficient cause for termination of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 11 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

11.1 Architect shall be familiar with, and Architect and Architect's services and design shall comply with, all State and Federal laws and regulations applicable to the Project or lawfully imposed upon the Project by agencies having jurisdiction over the Project, including but not limited to statutes, decisions, regulations,

building or other codes, ordinances, charters, prevailing wage law, and the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”).

## **ARTICLE 12**

### **TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT**

**12.1 Termination by District** – This Agreement may be terminated, or the Project may be canceled, by the District, in whole or in part, for the District’s convenience and without cause at any time immediately upon written notice to the Architect. In such event, the Architect shall be compensated for (a) all Basic or Additional Services completed, and Reimbursable Expenses incurred, under this Agreement through the date of termination, (b) such Basic or Additional Services performed, and Reimbursable Expenses incurred, after termination which are authorized by the District in writing, and (c) any costs incurred by reason of such termination; but less any amounts the District is entitled to withhold under law or this Agreement. Upon the District’s written request and authorization, Architect shall perform any and all Basic and Additional Services necessary to complete the work in progress as of the date of termination.

For any material breach of contract by the Architect, the District may also terminate the Agreement, in whole or in part, for cause by delivering written Notice of Intent to Terminate to the Architect. Such Notice shall include the following: (1) A description of such material breach, and (2) a date not less than fourteen days (14) after delivery of the notice by which the Architect must cure such breach. In response to such Notice, if the Architect fails to cure, and fails to reasonably commence to cure, the breach(es) by the deadline set by the Notice, then the District may terminate the Agreement through written notice delivered to the Architect, which shall be effective upon such delivery. In such event, the Architect shall be compensated for all services completed under this Agreement through the date of termination, together with compensation for such services performed after termination which are authorized by the District in writing, but less any amounts the District is entitled to withhold under law or this Agreement. Upon the District’s written request and authorization, Architect shall perform any and all services necessary to complete the work in progress as of the date of the termination.

**12.2 Termination by Architect** – For any material breach of contract by the District other than one related to a payment or invoice dispute as described in Section 4.4 of this Agreement, the Architect may terminate the Agreement by delivering written Notice of Intent to Terminate to the District. Such Notice shall include the following: (1) A description of such material breach, (2) a date not less than fourteen (14) days after delivery of the notice by which the District must cure such breach or reasonably commence to cure such breach, (3) the status of work completed as of the date of the Notice of Intent to Terminate, and (4) a description and cost estimate of the effort necessary to complete the work in progress. In response to such Notice, if the District fails to cure, and fails to reasonably commence to cure, the breach by the deadline set by the Notice, then Architect may terminate the Agreement by written notice delivered to the District within ten (10) days of the cure deadline, which shall be effective upon such delivery.

In the event of such termination by Architect, Architect shall be compensated for all Basic and Additional Services completed, and Reimbursable Expenses incurred, under this Agreement through the date of termination, together with compensation for such Basic and Additional Services performed, and Reimbursable Expenses incurred, after termination which are authorized by the District in writing. Upon the District’s written request and authorization, Architect shall perform any and all Basic and Additional Services necessary to complete the work in progress as of the date of termination.

### **12.3 Miscellaneous Termination Provisions**

12.3.1 Following the termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever, the District shall have the right to utilize any designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents, or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings prepared or caused to be prepared under this Agreement by the Architect, not only as they relate or may relate to this Project (including but not limited to any repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project) but as they relate or may relate to other projects, provided that any invalidity of such license in relation to such other projects shall not affect the validity of such license in relation to this Project (including but not limited to any repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project) under Education Code section 17316. Architect shall promptly make any such documents or materials available to the District upon request without additional compensation.

12.3.2 In the event of the termination of this Agreement for any reason whatsoever, all designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents, or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings prepared or caused to be prepared by the Architect or any of its agents under this Agreement shall immediately upon request by the District be delivered to the District. Architect may not refuse to provide such writings or materials for any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to a possessory interest lien for any claim the Architect may have against the District or a claim by the Architect to an ownership interest in the intellectual property embodied in the documents or materials.

## **ARTICLE 13 ARCHITECT AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR**

13.1 It is specifically agreed that in the making and performance of this Agreement, the Architect is an independent contractor and is not and shall not be construed to be an officer or employee of the District.

## **ARTICLE 14 STANDARDIZED MANUFACTURED ITEMS**

14.1 The Architect shall consult and cooperate with the District in the use and selection of manufactured items to be used in the Project. Manufactured items, including but not limited to paint, finish hardware, plumbing fixtures and fittings, mechanical equipment, electrical fixtures and equipment, roofing materials, and floor coverings, shall be standardized to the District's criteria so long as the same does not interfere seriously with the building design or cost.

## **ARTICLE 15 OWNERSHIP OF DOCUMENTS**

15.1 All designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates and other documents or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings prepared or caused to be prepared by the Architect under this Agreement shall be and shall remain the property of the District for all purposes, not only as they relate or may relate to this Project (including but not limited to any repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project) but as they relate or may relate to any other project, provided that any invalidity of such ownership in relation to any other

project shall not affect the validity of such ownership in relation to this Project (including but not limited to any repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project) under Education Code section 17316.

15.2 The Architect will provide the District with a complete set of reproducible designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates and other documents or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings prepared or caused to be prepared by the Architect under this Agreement, and will retain, on the District's behalf, the original documents or reproducible copies of all such original documents, however stored, in the Architect's files for a period of no less than fifteen (15) years. Architect shall promptly make available to District any original documents it has retained under this Agreement upon request by the District.

## **ARTICLE 16 LICENSING OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

16.1 This Agreement creates a non-exclusive and perpetual license for the District to copy, use, modify, reuse or sublicense any and all copyrights, designs and other intellectual property embodied in plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates and other documents, or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings prepared or caused to be prepared by the Architect under this Agreement, not only as they relate or may relate to this Project (including but not limited to any repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project) but as they relate or may relate to other projects, provided that any invalidity of such license in relation to such other projects shall not affect the validity of such license in relation to this Project (including but not limited to any repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project) under Education Code section 17316. The Architect shall require any and all subcontractors and consultants to agree in writing that the District is granted a similar non-exclusive and perpetual license for the work of such subcontractors or consultants performed under this Agreement.

16.2 The compensation for this Project includes compensation not only for any use in connection with this Project and use or re-use for repair, maintenance, renovation, modernization or other alterations or revisions to this Project, but also for any re-use by the District in relation to other projects. The only other term or condition of such re-use shall be that if the District reuses the plans prepared by the Architect and retains another certified architect or structural engineer for the preparation of those plans for the re-use, the District shall indemnify and hold harmless the Architect and its consultants, agents, and employees from and against any claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from, in whole or in part, the re-use to the extent required by Education Code section 17316, subdivision (c).

16.3 Architect represents and warrants that Architect has the legal right to license any and all copyrights, designs and other intellectual property embodied in plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents that Architect or its consultants prepares or causes to be prepared under this Agreement. **Architect shall indemnify, defend and hold the District harmless under Article 18.1 of this Agreement for any breach of Article 16 arising from, pertaining to, or related to Architect's negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct.** The Architect makes no such representation and warranty in regard to previously prepared designs, plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates or other documents, or any other works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to physical drawings, data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer disks, or other writings, that were prepared by design professionals other than Architect and provided to Architect by the District.

## **ARTICLE 17 ACCOUNTING AND OTHER RECORDS OF ARCHITECT**

17.1 Architect's records of accounts regarding the Project shall be kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. District has the right to audit Architect's records and files regarding any of the work Architect performed for District on the Project during or after the Project. District shall be given reasonable access to Architect's records and files for audit purposes within ten (10) days of receipt of District's request. Architect shall keep and maintain these records and files for ten (10) years.

## **ARTICLE 18 INDEMNITY**

**18.1 Architect Indemnification.** To the fullest extent permitted by law, including California Civil Code section 2782.8, the Architect shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the District, the governing Board of the District, each member of the Board, and their officers, agents and employees ("District Indemnitees") against claims to the extent that they arise out of, pertain to, or relate to negligence, recklessness or willful misconduct of the Architect, or the Architect's officers, employees, or consultants, in performing or failing to perform any work, services, or functions provided for, referred to, or in any way connected with any work, services, or functions to be performed under this Agreement.

The Architect's defense obligation shall include but not be limited to (a) provision of a full and complete defense of the District Indemnitees by an attorney chosen or approved by the District, and (b) payment of the District's attorneys' fees, experts' fees, and all other litigation costs incurred in the District's defense ("Defense Costs") within thirty (30) days of Architect's receipt of each invoice for such Defense Costs. After conclusion of the action against the District Indemnitees (including all appeals), the District shall reimburse Architect for the portion of the Defense Costs proportionate to the percentage of fault of parties other than the Architect ("Other Parties") for the amounts paid or owed to the third party by the District Indemnitees, but this duty of reimbursement shall only be owed by the District if there are specific findings in a settlement agreement, arbitration award, or verdict as to the Other Parties' percentage of fault, and the Architect's percentage of fault, for those amounts paid or owed to the third party. If one or more defendants is/are unable to pay its/their share of Defense Costs due to bankruptcy or dissolution of the business, the Architect shall meet and confer with other parties regarding unpaid Defense Costs.

For purposes of this Article 18.1 only, "claims" means all claims, demands, actions and suits brought by third parties against the District Indemnitees for any and all losses, liabilities, costs, expenses, damages and obligations.

This indemnification shall apply to all liability, as provided for above, regardless of whether any insurance policies are applicable, and insurance policy limits do not act as a limitation upon the amount of the indemnification to be provided by the Architect.

18.2 District Indemnification for Use of Third Party Materials. The District shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Architect and its employees against any and all copyright infringement claims by any design professional formerly retained by the District arising out of Architect's completion, use or re-use of that former design professional's designs or contract documents in performing this Agreement. Architect shall be entitled to such indemnification only if each of the following conditions are met: (a) Architect actually re-draws or completes such other designs or contract documents; (b) Architect complies with the

provisions of Article 5.8 regarding use of materials prepared by other design professionals; (c) District has supplied Architect with the previously prepared documents or materials; and (d) District expressly requests that the Architect utilize the designs or contract documents in question. By providing this or any other indemnification in this Agreement, District does not waive any immunities.

## **ARTICLE 19 TIME SCHEDULE**

**19.1 Time for Completion.** Time is of the essence for performance of the Services under this Agreement. The Architect shall timely complete its Services as expeditiously as possible and according to the schedule attached as ***Exhibit B*** to this Agreement.

**19.2 Delays.** The District recognizes that circumstances may occur beyond the control of either the District or the Architect and extensions for such delays may be made to the schedule if approved by the District. Any time during which the Architect is delayed in the Architect's work by acts of District or its employees or those in a direct contractual relationship with District or by acts of nature or other occurrences which were not or could not have been reasonably foreseen and provided for, and which are not due to any Wrongful Acts or Omissions, shall be added to the time for completion of any obligations of the Architect. District shall not be liable for damages to the Architect on account of any such delay.

## **ARTICLE 20 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

**20.1** This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California excluding its choice of law rules. Any action or proceeding seeking any relief under or with respect to this Agreement shall be brought solely in the Superior Court of the State of California for the County in which the District maintains its district office, subject to transfer of venue under applicable State law, provided that nothing in this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of immunity to suit by the District.

**20.2** This Agreement shall be effective upon execution by the Architect and approval by the District's governing board. The Architect shall not assign or transfer any or all of its rights, burdens, duties or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the District.

**20.3** All notices, certificates, or other communications hereunder shall be deemed given when personally delivered or mailed by certified mail, postage prepaid, to the parties at the addresses set forth below:

**District:** Reef-Sunset Unified School District  
1225 South 7th Avenue  
Avenal, CA 93204  
Attention: Raul Luna, Chief Business and Facilities Officer

**Architect:** \_\_\_\_\_ *[name of firm]*  
\_\_\_\_\_ Street  
\_\_\_\_\_, California 9\_\_\_\_\_  
Attention: \_\_\_\_\_ *[name or title]*

**20.4** This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Architect and the District and their respective successors and assigns.

20.5 If any provision of this Agreement shall be held invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not invalidate or render unenforceable any other provision hereof.

20.6 The terms of this Agreement shall not be waived, altered, modified, supplemented or amended in any manner whatsoever except by written agreement signed by the parties. No action or failure to act by the District shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded the District under this Agreement, nor shall such action or failure to act constitute approval of, or acquiescence in, a breach under this Agreement, except as may be specifically agreed to in a written amendment to this Agreement.

20.7 Nothing contained in this Agreement shall create a contractual relationship with or cause of action in favor of a third party against either the District or the Architect.

20.8 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and supersedes any prior agreement or understanding. There are no understandings, agreements, representations or warranties, expressed or implied, not specified in this Agreement. The Architect, by the execution of this Agreement, acknowledges that the Architect has read this Agreement, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its terms and conditions.

20.9 The Architect shall have the right to include representations of the design of the Project, including photographs of the exterior and interior, among the Architect's professional materials. The Architect's materials shall not include the District's confidential or proprietary information if the District has previously advised the Architect in writing of the specific information considered by the District to be confidential or proprietary.

20.10 Prior to executing this Agreement, the Architect shall submit a certification if required by Public Contract Code section 3006(b) for roofing projects.

20.11 If a party to this Agreement commences a legal action against the other party to enforce a provision of this Agreement or seek damages related to the services provided under this Agreement, the prevailing party in the legal action will be entitled to recover from the other party all of its reasonable litigation expense, costs, and fees actually incurred, including reasonable attorneys' and experts' fees.

20.12 A party to this Agreement shall, as a condition precedent to initiating any litigation against the other party, demand mediation of any dispute (including a dispute related to indemnity by the Architect for claims against the District by a contractor based on allegations of deficiencies in the Architect's plans or specifications). The parties shall endeavor to include any third party claimant in the mediation. The parties shall select a mediator and schedule the mediation within thirty (30) days of the initial demand for mediation. If the parties cannot agree on a mediator, the mediator shall be appointed by JAMS. The parties to the mediation, including the parties to this Agreement, shall pay equal shares of the mediator's fees. Each party shall bear its own attorney's fees related to the mediation.

20.13 Architect shall at all times comply with the fingerprinting and criminal background investigation requirements of California Education Code ("Education Code") section 45125.1 for its employees, including the Architect as a sole proprietor (if applicable). Before performing any Services, Architect shall execute and return the District's Fingerprinting Notice and Acknowledgement form and the required certification (see *Exhibit C*).

Architect further agrees and acknowledges that if at any time during the Term of this Agreement Architect learns or becomes aware of information which differs in any way from the information learned as a result

of compliance with the above requirements, or Architect adds personnel who will provide Services under this Agreement, Architect shall immediately notify District and prohibit any new personnel from interacting with District students until the fingerprinting and background check requirements have been satisfied and District determines whether any interaction is permissible.

20.14 Before performing any Services, Architect shall prepare, execute, and submit all forms that may be required by law for this Agreement, including but not limited to a roof project certification (Public Contract Code, § 3006), disabled veteran business enterprises (“DVBE”) certification (Education Code, § 17076.11), and an Iran Contract Act certification (Public Contract Code, § 2204). If a form is necessary, Architect shall use the District’s versions of these forms, which the District shall make available upon request.

20.15 Sanctions in Response to Russian Aggression. *[Section to be included if state funds are being used for this contract.]* The District is using State of California funds for this Contract, and therefore Architect must comply with the Governor’s March 4, 2022, Executive Order N-6-22 (“Order”) relating to any existing sanctions imposed by the United States government and the State of California in response to Russia’s actions in Ukraine, including additional requirements for contracts of \$5 million or more. Failure to comply may result in the termination of the Contract.

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**ARCHITECT:**

\_\_\_\_\_ *[name of firm]*

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ *[name or title]*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

**DISTRICT:**

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL  
DISTRICT

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

*Exhibit A*  
**RATE SCHEDULE**

*Exhibit B*

**PROJECT SCHEDULE**

*Exhibit C*

**FINGERPRINTING NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

**ATTACHMENT B**

**DVBE CERTIFICATION AND DVBE WORKSHEET**

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**CONSULTANT CERTIFICATION OF DISABLED VETERAN  
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PARTICIPATION**

*To be completed by the Consultant*

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| <b>PART I – IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                              |
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| <p><b>PART II – METHOD OF COMPLIANCE WITH DVBE PARTICIPATION GOALS</b> – Include this form and any other applicable documents listed in this table with your proposal. Read the three columns in the table below as sentences from left to right. Check the appropriate box to indicate your method of committing the contract dollar amount.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> <i>Architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying or construction management firms must indicate their method of compliance by marking the appropriate box A, B, C, or D after selection by the District and before the contract is signed.</i></p> |                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                              |
| <b>YOUR BUSINESS ENTERPRISE</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>AND YOU</b>                                                                                                                             | <b>AND YOU</b>                                                                               |
| <b>A.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>is Disabled Veteran owned and your forces, will perform at least 3 percent of this contract</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <i>will include a copy of your DVBE letter from the Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS).</i> |                                                                                              |
| <b>B.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>is Disabled Veteran owned <b>but is unable</b> to perform the 3 percent of this contract with your forces</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <i>will use DVBE subconsultants to bring the contract participation to at least 3 percent</i>                                              | <i>will include a copy of each DVBE's letter from OSDS (including yours, if applicable).</i> |
| <b>C.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>is <b>not</b> Disabled Veteran owned</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>will use DVBE subconsultants for at least 3 percent of this contract</i>                                                                |                                                                                              |
| <b>D.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>is unable to meet the required participation goals</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <i>will complete a Good Faith Effort to obtain DVBE participation</i>                                                                      | <i>will include the Consultant's Good Faith Effort Worksheet.</i>                            |

**Note:** An Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS) letter must be attached for each DVBE participating in the contract. The DVBE letter is obtained by application through the OSDS and must be provided at the time of submittal of proposals. If the letter is not provided, the proposal may be deemed nonresponsive and may be ineligible for award of the contract.

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**PART III – DVBE DOLLAR PARTICIPATION OF PROPOSAL** – Architectural, engineering, environmental, land surveying or construction management firms complete this part *after* selection by the district and before the contract is signed.

Show deductive alternate(s) in parenthesis. For more alternates/base proposals, use a separate page to show items.

A. If your business enterprise is a DVBE, list in the appropriate column the total dollar amount of your proposal to be performed by your own participation. D. Enter the dollar amount of the proposal to be performed by **non-DVBE** firms. Note: This line is the sum of your and your subconsultants **non-DVBE** dollar participation.

B. List all your DVBE subconsultants. Enter in the appropriate column the dollar amount for each of your subconsultants. E. Enter the sum of the column totals from Line C and Line D. Note: Please be aware that the final determination of DVBE compliance is made based on the contract amount resulting from the district's acceptance or rejection of alternates.

C. Enter the total of Lines A and B for each column.

|                                                     | BASE PROPOSAL | ALTERNATE #1 | ALTERNATE #2 | ALTERNATE #3<br>OR BASE<br>PROPOSAL B | ALTERNATE #4<br>OR BASE<br>PROPOSAL C | ALTERNATE #5<br>(Modernization or<br>Reconstruction Only) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| A. Consultant, if<br>DVBE<br>(own<br>participation) | \$            | \$           | \$           | \$                                    | \$                                    | \$                                                        |
| B. DVBE<br>Subconsultant                            |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| 1.                                                  |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| 2.                                                  |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| 3.                                                  |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| 4.                                                  |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| C. Subtotal<br>(A & B)                              |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| D. Non-DVBE                                         |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |
| E. Total Bid                                        |               |              |              |                                       |                                       |                                                           |

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## CONSULTANT GOOD FAITH EFFORT WORKSHEET

*This worksheet is to be used to assist the Consultant in meeting the 3% DVBE participation goal*  
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|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| CONSULTANT'S NAME | BUSINESS ADDRESS | CONTACT PERSON |
| TELEPHONE NUMBER  | OWNER            | COUNTY         |

### GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

This worksheet is to be used to assist you in meeting the 3 percent DVBE participation goal. If specific information is not provided for Parts I through III, you do not meet the test of the "Good Faith Effort" and cannot so certify. If you are qualifying based on a "Good Faith Effort" you must include this form with your bid/proposal to the Owner.

### PART I – CONTACTS

To identify DVBE subconsultants for participation in your bid/proposal, contact must be made with each of the following categories. It is recommended that you contact several DVBE organizations.

| CATEGORY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | TELEPHONE NUMBER | DATE CONTACTED | PERSON CONTACTED |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 1. Owner                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                  |                |                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                  |                |                  |
| 2. Office of Small Business and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Services (OSDS). OSDS provides assistance locating DVBE's at <a href="https://caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/PublicSearch/suppliersearch.aspx">https://caleprocure.ca.gov/pages/PublicSearch/suppliersearch.aspx</a> | (916) 375-4940   |                |                  |
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| 3. DVBE Organizations ( <i>List</i> ):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                  |                |                  |
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| 4. Write "recorded message" in this column, if applicable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                  |                |                  |

**CONSULTANT GOOD FAITH EFFORT WORKSHEET**

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**PART II – ADVERTISEMENTS** You must make at least two (2) advertisements, one (1) in a paper that focuses on DVBE and one (1) in a trade paper. Advertisements should be published at least 14 days prior to bid/proposal opening; if you cannot advertise 14 days prior, advertise as soon as possible and provide an explanation. (Advertisements must be published in time to allow for a reasonable response). Advertisements must include that your firm is seeking DVBE participation, the project name and location, your firm's name, your firm's contact person, and phone number.

*Attach copies of advertisements to this form.*

| FOCUS/TRADE PAPER NAME | CHECK ONE   |  | DATE OF ADVERTISEMENT |
|------------------------|-------------|--|-----------------------|
|                        | TRADE FOCUS |  |                       |
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**PART III – DVBE SOLICITATIONS** List DVBE subconsultants that were invited to bid. Use the following instructions to complete the remainder of this section (read the three columns as a sentence from left to right). If you need additional space to list DVBE solicitations, please use a separate page and attach to this form.

| IF THE DVBE.....                                 | THEN.....                                                                                                              | AND.....                                       |                                                              |             |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Was selected to participate                      | Check "yes" in the "SELECTED" column, include the applicable dollar amount in Part III of the Consultant Certification | Include a copy of their DVBE letter from OSDS. |                                                              |             |
| Was <b>not</b> selected to participate           | Check "no" in the "SELECTED" column                                                                                    | State why in the "REASON NOT SELECTED" column. |                                                              |             |
| Did not respond to your solicitation             | Check the "NO RESPONSE" column                                                                                         |                                                |                                                              |             |
| DISABLED VETERANS BUSINESS ENTERPRISES CONTACTED | SELECTED                                                                                                               |                                                | REASON NOT SELECTED<br><i>This section must be completed</i> | NO RESPONSE |
|                                                  | YES                                                                                                                    | NO                                             |                                                              |             |
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**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

Please be aware that certification of the "Good Faith Effort" may only be made if you fully complete Parts I, II, and III on both sides of this form. A copy of this form must be retained by you and may be subject to a future audit.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ certify that I am the consultant's Chief Executive Officer and that I have made a diligent effort to ascertain the facts with regard to the representations made herein. In making this certification, I am aware of Section 12650 et seq. of the Government Code providing for the imposition of treble damages for making false claims.

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| SIGNATURE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER | DATE |
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**ATTACHMENT C**

**FINGERPRINTING NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM  
FOR ALL CONTRACTS EXCEPT WHEN CONSTRUCTION EXCEPTION IS MET**

**FINGERPRINTING NOTICE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**  
**FOR ALL CONTRACTS EXCEPT WHEN CONSTRUCTION EXCEPTION IS MET**  
(Education Code Section 45125.1)

Other than business entities performing construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or repair who have complied with Education Code section 45125.2, business entities entering into contracts with the District must comply with Education Code sections 45125.1. Such entities are responsible for ensuring full compliance with the law and should therefore review all applicable statutes and regulations. The following information is provided simply to assist such entities with compliance with the law:

1. You (as a business entity) shall ensure that each of your employees who interacts with pupils outside of the immediate supervision and control of the pupil's parent or guardian or a school employee has a valid criminal records summary as described in Education Code section 44237. (Education Code §45125.1(a).) You shall do the same for any other employees as directed by the District. (Education Code §45125.1(c).) When you perform the criminal background check, you shall immediately provide any subsequent arrest and conviction information it receives to the District pursuant to the subsequent arrest service. (Education Code §45125.1(a).)
2. You shall not permit an employee to interact with pupils until the Department of Justice has ascertained that the employee has not been convicted of a felony as defined in Education Code section 45122.1. (Education Code §45125.1(e).) See the lists of violent and serious felonies in ***Attachment C-1*** to this Notice.
3. Prior to performing any work or services under your contract with the District, and prior to being present on District property or being within the vicinity of District pupils, you shall certify in writing to the District under the penalty of perjury that neither the employer nor any of its employees who are required to submit fingerprints, and who may interact with pupils, have been convicted of a felony as defined in Education Code section 45122.1, and that you are in full compliance with Education Code section 45125.1. (Education Code §45125.1(f).) For this certification, you shall use the form in ***Attachment C-2*** to this Notice.
4. If you are providing the above services in an emergency or exceptional situation, you are not required to comply with Education Code section 45125.1, above. An "emergency or exceptional" situation is one in which pupil health or safety is endangered or when repairs are needed to make a facility safe and habitable. The District shall determine whether an emergency or exceptional situation exists. (Education Code §45125.1(b).)
5. If you are an individual operating as a sole proprietor of a business entity, you are considered an employee of that entity for purposes of Education Code section 45125.1, and the District shall prepare and submit your fingerprints to the Department of Justice as described in Education Code section 45125.1(a).

(Education Code §45125.1(h).)

I, as \_\_\_\_\_ *[insert "owner" or officer title]* of \_\_\_\_\_  
*[insert name of business entity]* , have read the foregoing and agree that \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ *[insert name of business entity]* will comply with the requirements of Education  
Code §45125.1 as applicable, including submission of the certificate mentioned above.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ATTACHMENT C-1**

### **Violent and Serious Felonies**

Under Education Code sections 45122.1 and 45125.1, no employee of a contractor or subcontractor who has been convicted of or has criminal proceedings pending for a violent or serious felony may come into contact with any student. A violent felony is any felony listed in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code. Those felonies are presently defined as:

- (1) Murder or voluntary manslaughter.
- (2) Mayhem.
- (3) Rape as defined in paragraph (2) or (6) of subdivision (a) of Section 261 or paragraph (1) or (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 262.
- (4) Sodomy as defined in subdivision (c) or (d) of Section 286.
- (5) Oral copulation as defined in subdivision (c) or (d) of Section 288a.
- (6) Lewd or lascivious act as defined in subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 288.
- (7) Any felony punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison for life.
- (8) Any felony in which the defendant inflicts great bodily injury on any person other than an accomplice which has been charged and proved as provided for in Section 12022.7, 12022.8, or 12022.9 on or after July 1, 1977, or as specified prior to July 1, 1977, in Sections 213, 264, and 461, or any felony in which the defendant uses a firearm which use has been charged and proved as provided in subdivision (a) of Section 12022.3, or Section 12022.5 or 12022.55.
- (9) Any robbery.
- (10) Arson, in violation of subdivision (a) or (b) of Section 451.
- (11) Sexual penetration as defined in subdivision (a) or (j) of Section 289.
- (12) Attempted murder.
- (13) A violation of Section 18745, 18750, or 18755.
- (14) Kidnapping.

- (15) Assault with the intent to commit a specified felony, in violation of Section 220.
- (16) Continuous sexual abuse of a child, in violation of Section 288.5.
- (17) Carjacking, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 215.
- (18) Rape, spousal rape, or sexual penetration, in concert, in violation of Section 264.1.
- (19) Extortion, as defined in Section 518, which would constitute a felony violation of Section 186.22 of the Penal Code.
- (20) Threats to victims or witnesses, as defined in Section 136.1, which would constitute a felony violation of Section 186.22 of the Penal Code.
- (21) Any burglary of the first degree, as defined in subdivision (a) of Section 460, wherein it is charged and proved that another person, other than an accomplice, was present in the residence during the commission of the burglary.
- (22) Any violation of Section 12022.53.
- (23) A violation of subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 11418.

A serious felony is any felony listed in subdivision (c) Section 1192.7 of the Penal Code. Those felonies are presently defined as:

(1) Murder or voluntary manslaughter; (2) Mayhem; (3) Rape; (4) Sodomy by force, violence, duress, menace, threat of great bodily injury, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person; (5) Oral copulation by force, violence, duress, menace, threat of great bodily injury, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person; (6) Lewd or lascivious act on a child under the age of 14 years; (7) Any felony punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison for life; (8) Any felony in which the defendant personally inflicts great bodily injury on any person, other than an accomplice, or any felony in which the defendant personally uses a firearm; (9) Attempted murder; (10) Assault with intent to commit rape, or robbery; (11) Assault with a deadly weapon or instrument on a peace officer; (12) Assault by a life prisoner on a non-inmate; (13) Assault with a deadly weapon by an inmate; (14) Arson; (15) Exploding a destructive device or any explosive with intent to injure; (16) Exploding a destructive device or any explosive causing bodily injury, great bodily injury, or mayhem; (17) Exploding a destructive device or any explosive with intent to murder; (18) Any burglary of the first degree; (19) Robbery or bank robbery; (20) Kidnapping; (21) Holding of a hostage by a person confined in a state prison; (22) Attempt to commit a felony punishable by death or imprisonment in the state prison for life; (23) Any felony in which the defendant personally used a dangerous or deadly weapon; (24) Selling, furnishing, administering, giving, or offering to sell, furnish, administer, or give to a minor any heroin,

cocaine, phencyclidine (PCP), or any methamphetamine-related drug, as described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 11055 of the Health and Safety Code, or any of the precursors of methamphetamines, as described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (f) of Section 11055 or subdivision (a) of Section 11100 of the Health and Safety Code; (25) Any violation of subdivision (a) of Section 289 where the act is accomplished against the victim's will by force, violence, duress, menace, or fear of immediate and unlawful bodily injury on the victim or another person; (26) Grand theft involving a firearm; (27) carjacking; (28) any felony offense, which would also constitute a felony violation of Section 186.22; (29) assault with the intent to commit mayhem, rape, sodomy, or oral copulation, in violation of Section 220; (30) throwing acid or flammable substances, in violation of Section 244; (31) assault with a deadly weapon, firearm, machine gun, assault weapon, or semiautomatic firearm or assault on a peace officer or firefighter, in violation of Section 245; (32) assault with a deadly weapon against a public transit employee, custodial officer, or school employee, in violation of Sections 245.2, 245.3, or 245.5; (33) discharge of a firearm at an inhabited dwelling, vehicle, or aircraft, in violation of Section 246; (34) commission of rape or sexual penetration in concert with another person, in violation of Section 264.1; (35) continuous sexual abuse of a child, in violation of Section 288.5; (36) shooting from a vehicle, in violation of subdivision (c) or (d) of Section 26100; (37) intimidation of victims or witnesses, in violation of Section 136.1; (38) criminal threats, in violation of Section 422; (39) any attempt to commit a crime listed in this subdivision other than an assault; (40) any violation of Section 12022.53; (41) a violation of subdivision (b) or (c) of Section 11418; and (42) any conspiracy to commit an offense described in this subdivision.

## ATTACHMENT C-2

### Form for Certification of Lack of Felony Convictions

*Note: This form must be submitted by the owner, or an officer, of the contracting entity before it may commence any work or services, and before it may be present on District property or be within the vicinity of District pupils.*

Entity Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Entity's Contract with District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scope of Entity's Contract with District: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [insert name], am the \_\_\_\_\_ [insert "owner" or officer title]  
for \_\_\_\_\_ [insert name of business entity] ("Entity"), which entered a  
contract on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, with the District for \_\_\_\_\_.

I certify that (1) pursuant to Education Code section 45125.1(f), neither the Entity, nor any of its employees who are required to submit fingerprints and who may interact with pupils, have been convicted of a felony as defined in Education Code section 45122.1; and (2) the Entity is in full compliance with Education Code section 45125.1, including but not limited to each employee who will interact with a pupil outside of the immediate supervision and control of the pupil's parent or guardian having a valid criminal background check as described in Education Code section 44237.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_      Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Typed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Entity: \_\_\_\_\_