# CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

# PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT

# 1. PARTIES AND DATE.

This Agreement is made and entered into this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2024, by and between the City of Signal Hill, a municipal corporation, organized under the laws of the State of California, with its principal place of business at 2175 Cherry Avenue, Signal Hill, CA 90755("City") and RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS, INC. a North Carolina, corporation, with its principal place of business at 445 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1925, Los Angeles, CA ("Consultant"). City and Consultant are sometimes individually referred to herein as "Party" and collectively as "Parties."

## 2. RECITALS.

## 2.1 Consultant.

Consultant desires to perform and assume responsibility for the provision of certain professional executive recruitment consulting services required by the City on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. Consultant represents that it is experienced in providing professional executive recruitment consulting services to public clients, is licensed in the State of California, and is familiar with the plans of City.

## 2.2 Project.

City desires to engage Consultant to render such professional executive recruitment consulting services ("Project") as set forth in this Agreement.

#### 3. TERMS.

# 3.1 Scope of Services and Term.

3.1.1 <u>General Scope of Services</u>. Consultant promises and agrees to furnish to the City all labor, materials, tools, equipment, services, and incidental and customary work necessary to fully and adequately supply the professional executive recruitment consulting services necessary for the Project ("Services"). The Services are more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. All Services shall be subject to, and performed in accordance with, this Agreement, the exhibits attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

3.1.2 <u>Term</u>. The term of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect until completion of the services but not exceeding three (3) years from the date hereof, unless earlier terminated as provided herein. The City shall have the unilateral option, at its sole discretion, to renew this Agreement automatically for no more than two (2) additional one-year terms. Consultant shall complete the Services within the term of this Agreement, and shall meet any other established schedules and deadlines.

# 3.2 Responsibilities of Consultant.

3.2.1 Independent Contractor; Control and Payment of Subordinates. The Services shall be performed by Consultant or under its supervision. Consultant will determine the means, methods and details of performing the Services subject to the requirements of this Agreement. City retains Consultant on an independent contractor basis and not as an employee. Consultant retains the right to perform similar or different services for others during the term of this Agreement. Any additional personnel performing the Services under this Agreement on behalf of Consultant shall also not be employees of City and shall at all times be under Consultant's exclusive direction and control. Neither City, nor any of its officials, officers, directors, employees or agents shall have control over the conduct of Consultant or any of Consultant's officers, employees, or agents, except as set forth in this Agreement. Consultant shall pay all wages, salaries, and other amounts due such personnel in connection with their performance of Services under this Agreement and as required by law. Consultant shall be responsible for all reports and obligations respecting such additional personnel, including, but not limited to: social security taxes, income tax withholding, unemployment insurance, disability insurance, and workers' compensation insurance.

3.2.2 <u>Schedule of Services</u>. Consultant shall perform the Services expeditiously, within the term of this Agreement, and in accordance with the Schedule of Services set forth in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. Consultant represents that it has the professional and technical personnel required to perform the Services in conformance with such conditions. In order to facilitate Consultant's conformances with the Schedule, City shall respond to Consultant's submittals in a timely manner. Upon request of City, Consultant shall provide a more detailed schedule of anticipated performance to meet the Schedule of Services.

3.2.3 <u>Conformance to Applicable Requirements</u>. All work prepared by Consultant shall be subject to the approval of City.

3.2.4 <u>Substitution of Key Personnel</u>. Consultant has represented to City that certain key personnel will perform and coordinate the Services under this Agreement. Should one or more of such personnel become unavailable, Consultant may substitute other personnel of at least equal competence upon written approval of City. In the event that City and Consultant cannot agree as to the substitution of key personnel, City shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement for cause. As discussed below, any personnel who fail or refuse to perform the Services in a manner acceptable to the City, or who are determined by the City to be uncooperative, incompetent, a threat to the adequate or timely completion of the Project or a threat to the safety of persons or property, shall be promptly removed from the Project by the Consultant at the request of the City. The key personnel for performance of this Agreement are as follows: Catherine Tuck Parrish.

3.2.5 <u>City's Representative</u>. The City hereby designates Carlo Tomaino, City Manager, or his/her designee, to act as its representative in all matters pertaining to the administration and performance of this Agreement ("City's Representative"). City's Representative shall have the power to act on behalf of the City for review and approval of all products submitted by Consultant but not the authority to enlarge the Scope of Work or change the total compensation due to Consultant under this Agreement. The City Manager shall be authorized to act on City's behalf and to execute all necessary documents which enlarge the Scope of Work or change the Scope of Work or change the Consultant's total compensation subject to the provisions contained in Section 3.3 of this Agreement. Consultant shall not accept direction or orders from any person other than the City Manager, City's Representative or his/her designee.

3.2.6 <u>Consultant's Representative</u>. Consultant hereby designates Catherine Tuck Parrish or his/her designee, to act as its representative for the performance of this Agreement ("Consultant's Representative"). Consultant's Representative shall have full authority to represent and act on behalf of the Consultant for all purposes under this Agreement. The Consultant's Representative shall supervise and direct the Services, using his/her best skill and attention, and shall be responsible for all means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures and for the satisfactory coordination of all portions of the Services under this Agreement.

3.2.7 <u>Coordination of Services</u>. Consultant agrees to work closely with City staff in the performance of Services and shall be available to City's staff, consultants and other staff at all reasonable times.

3.2.8 <u>Standard of Care; Performance of Employees</u>. Consultant shall perform all Services under this Agreement in a skillful and competent manner, consistent with the standards generally recognized as being employed by professionals in the same discipline in the State of California as of the time the services are provided. Consultant represents and maintains that it is skilled in the professional calling necessary to perform the Services. Consultant warrants that all employees and subconsultants shall have sufficient skill and experience to perform the Services assigned to them. Finally, Consultant represents that it, its employees and subconsultants have all licenses, permits, qualifications and approvals of whatever nature that are legally required to perform the Services, and that such licenses and approvals shall be maintained throughout the term of this Agreement. As provided for in the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, Consultant shall perform, at its own cost and expense and without reimbursement from the City, any services necessary to correct errors or omissions which are caused by the Consultant's failure to comply with the standard of care provided for herein. Any employee of the Consultant or its sub-consultants who is determined by the City to be uncooperative, incompetent, a threat to the adequate or timely completion of the Project, a threat to the safety of persons or property, or any employee who fails or refuses to perform the Services in a manner acceptable to the City, shall be promptly removed from the Project by the Consultant and shall not be re-employed to perform any of the Services or to work on the Project.

3.2.9 <u>Laws and Regulations</u>. Consultant shall keep itself fully informed of and in compliance with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations in any manner affecting the performance of the Project or the Services, including all Cal/OSHA requirements, and shall give all notices required by law. Consultant shall be liable for all violations of such laws and regulations in connection with Services. If Consultant performs any work knowing it to be contrary to such laws, rules and regulations, Consultant shall be solely responsible for all costs arising

therefrom. Consultant shall defend, indemnify and hold City, its officials, directors, officers, employees, and volunteers free and harmless, pursuant to the indemnification provisions of this Agreement, from any claim or liability to the extent caused by Consultant's failure to comply with such laws, rules or regulations.

3.2.10 <u>Safety</u>. Consultant shall execute and maintain its work so as to avoid injury or damage to any person or property. In carrying out its Services, the Consultant shall at all times be in compliance with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations, and shall exercise all necessary precautions for the safety of employees appropriate to the nature of the work and the conditions under which the work is to be performed.

3.2.11 <u>Insurance</u>. Consultant agrees to procure and maintain, at Consultant's expense all insurance specified in Exhibit "D" attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein. Consultant shall require all subconsultants to carry the same policies and limits of insurance that the Consultant is required to maintain, unless otherwise approved in writing by the City.

# 3.2.11.1 Liability for Non-compliance.

(A) Indemnity: Failure of Consultant to comply with laws, regulations, and ordinances listed in Sections 3.2.12.2 and 3.2.12.3 of this Agreement is a violation of federal and state law. Notwithstanding any other indemnity contained in this Agreement, Consultant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its officials, officers, employees and authorized volunteers from all claims, demands, losses or liabilities of any kind or nature which the City, its officials, officers, employees and authorized volunteers may sustain or incur for Consultant's noncompliance with the laws, regulations, and ordinances listed above, in providing the Services, except for liability resulting from the sole established negligence, willful misconduct or active negligence of the City, its officials, officers, agents, employees or authorized volunteers.

(B) Defense: City reserves the right to defend any enforcement action or civil action brought against the City for Consultant's failure to comply with any applicable water quality law, regulation, or policy.

(C) Damages: City may seek damages from Consultant for delay in completing the Services caused by Consultant's failure to comply with the laws, regulations and policies described in Sections 3.2.12.2 and 3.2.12.3 of this Agreement, or any other relevant water quality law, regulation, or policy.

# 3.3 Fees and Payments.

3.3.1 <u>Compensation</u>. Consultant shall receive compensation, including authorized reimbursements, for all Services rendered under this Agreement at the rates set forth in Exhibit "C" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The total compensation shall not exceed **Seventy-Five Thousand** (\$75,000) over the term of the Agreement without written approval of the City Council or City Manager as applicable. Extra Work may be authorized, as described below, and if authorized, will be compensated at the rates and manner set forth in this Agreement.

3.3.2 <u>Payment of Compensation</u>. Consultant shall submit to City a monthly invoice which indicates work completed and hours of Services rendered by Consultant. The invoice shall describe the amount of Services provided since the initial commencement date, or since the start of the subsequent billing periods, as appropriate, through the date of the invoice. City shall, within 30 days of receiving such invoice, review the invoice and pay all non-disputed and approved charges thereon. If the City disputes any of Consultant's fees, the City shall give written notice to Consultant within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice of any disputed fees set forth therein.

3.3.3 <u>Reimbursement for Expenses</u>. Consultant shall not be reimbursed for any expenses unless authorized in writing by City, or included in Exhibit "C" of this Agreement.

3.3.4 <u>Extra Work</u>. At any time during the term of this Agreement, City may request that Consultant perform Extra Work. As used herein, "Extra Work" means any work which is determined by City to be necessary for the proper completion of the Project, but which the Parties did not reasonably anticipate would be necessary at the execution of this Agreement. Consultant shall not perform, nor be compensated for, Extra Work without written authorization from the City.

3.3.5 <u>Rate Increases</u>. In the event that this Agreement is renewed pursuant to Section 3.1.2, the rate set forth in Exhibit "C" may be adjusted each year at the time of renewal as set forth in Exhibit "C."

# 3.4 Labor Code Requirements.

3.4.1 <u>Prevailing Wages</u>. Consultant is aware of the requirements of California Labor Code Section 1720, et seq., and 1770, et seq., as well as California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Section 16000, et seq., ("Prevailing Wage Laws"), which require the payment of prevailing wage rates and the performance of other requirements on "public works" and "maintenance" projects. If the Services are being performed as part of an applicable "public works" or "maintenance" project, as defined by the Prevailing Wage Laws, and if the total compensation is \$1,000 or more, Consultant agrees to fully comply with such Prevailing Wage Laws. City shall provide Consultant with a copy of the prevailing rates of per diem wages in effect at the commencement of this Agreement. Consultant shall make copies of the prevailing rates of per diem wages for each craft, classification or type of worker needed to execute the Services available to interested parties upon request and shall post copies at the Consultant's principal place of business and at the project site. It is the intent of the parties to effectuate the requirements of sections 1771, 1774, 1775, 1776, 1777.5, 1813, and 1815 of the Labor Code within this Agreement, and Consultant shall therefore comply with such Labor Code sections to the fullest extent required by law. Consultant shall defend, indemnify and hold the City, its officials, officers, employees, and volunteers free and harmless from any claim or liability to the extent caused by Consultant's failure to comply with the Prevailing Wage Laws.

3.4.2 <u>Registration</u>. If the Services are being performed as part of an applicable "public works" or "maintenance" project, in addition to the foregoing, then pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, the Consultant and all subconsultants must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR"). Consultant shall maintain registration for the duration of the project and require the same of any subconsultants. This project may also be subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR. It shall be Contractor's sole responsibility to comply with all applicable registration and labor compliance requirements, including the (BB&K 2019)

submission of payroll records directly to the DIR.

#### 3.5 Accounting Records.

Maintenance and Inspection. Consultant shall maintain complete and 3.5.1 accurate records with respect to all costs and expenses incurred under this Agreement. All such records shall be clearly identifiable. Consultant shall allow a representative of City during normal business hours to examine, audit, and make transcripts or copies of such records and any other documents created pursuant to this Agreement. Consultant shall allow inspection of all work, data, documents, proceedings, and activities related to the Agreement for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under this Agreement.

#### **General Provisions.** 3.6

## 3.6.1 <u>Termination of Agreement</u>.

3.6.1.1 Grounds for Termination. City may, by written notice to Consultant, terminate the whole or any part of this Agreement at any time and without cause by giving written notice to Consultant of such termination, and specifying the effective date thereof, at least seven (7) days before the effective date of such termination. Upon termination, Consultant shall be compensated only for those services which have been adequately rendered to City, and Consultant shall be entitled to no further compensation. Consultant may not terminate this Agreement except for cause.

3.6.1.2 Effect of Termination. If this Agreement is terminated as provided herein, City may require Consultant to provide all finished or unfinished Documents and Data and other information of any kind prepared by Consultant in connection with the performance of Services under this Agreement. Consultant shall be required to provide such document and other information within fifteen (15) days of the request.

Additional Services. In the event this Agreement is terminated 3.6.1.3 in whole or in part as provided herein, City may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it may determine appropriate, services similar to those terminated.

Delivery of Notices. All notices permitted or required under this 3.6.1.4 Agreement shall be given to the respective parties at the following address, or at such other address as the respective parties may provide in writing for this purpose:

	Consultant:	Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. 445 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1925 Los Angeles, CA 90071 ATTN: Catherine Tuck Parrish
	City:	City of Signal Hill 2175 Cherry Avenue Signal Hill, CA 90755 ATTN: Carlo Tomaino
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Such notice shall be deemed made when personally delivered or when mailed, forty-eight (48) hours after deposit in the U.S. Mail, first class postage prepaid and addressed to the party at its applicable address. Actual notice shall be deemed adequate notice on the date actual notice occurred, regardless of the method of service.

## 3.6.2 <u>Ownership of Materials and Confidentiality</u>.

Documents & Data; Licensing of Intellectual Property. This 3.6.2.1 Agreement creates a non-exclusive, non-assignable, non-sublicensable and perpetual license for City to copy, use, modify, or reuse, any and all copyrights, designs, and other intellectual property embodied in plans, specifications, studies, drawings, estimates, and other documents or works of authorship fixed in any tangible medium of expression, including but not limited to, physical drawings or data magnetically or otherwise recorded on computer diskettes, which are prepared or caused to be prepared by Consultant under this Agreement and intended by Consultant as a deliverable to City ("Documents & Data"). Consultant shall require all subconsultants to agree in writing that City is granted a non-exclusive, non-assignable, non-sublicensable and perpetual license for any Documents & Data the subconsultant prepares under this Agreement. Consultant represents and warrants that Consultant has the legal right to license any and all Documents & Data. Consultant makes no such representation and warranty in regard to Documents & Data which were prepared by design professionals other than Consultant or provided to Consultant by the City. City shall not be limited in any way in its use of the Documents & Data at any time, provided that any such use not within the purposes intended by this Agreement shall be at City's sole risk. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed or construed as a waiver, release, transfer, assignment or divestiture by Consultant of any of its intellectual property, know-how or trade secrets.

3.6.2.2 <u>Confidentiality</u>. All ideas, memoranda, specifications, plans, procedures, drawings, descriptions, computer program data, input record data, written information, and other Documents & Data either created by or provided to Consultant in connection with the performance of this Agreement shall be held confidential by Consultant. Consultant may rely on all such materials provided by or on behalf of City to provide the services hereunder. Such materials shall not, without the prior written consent of City, be used by Consultant for any purposes other than the performance of the Services. Nor shall such materials be disclosed to any person or entity not connected with the performance of the Services or the Project, unless disclosure is compelled by legal process. Nothing furnished to Consultant which is otherwise known to Consultant or is generally known, or has become known, to the related industry shall be deemed confidential. Consultant shall not use City's name or insignia, photographs of the Project, or any publicity pertaining to the Services or the Project in any magazine, trade paper, newspaper, television or radio production or other similar medium without the prior written consent of City.

3.6.2.3 <u>Confidential Information</u>. The City shall refrain from releasing Consultant's proprietary information ("Proprietary Information") unless the City's legal counsel determines that the release of the Proprietary Information is required by the California Public Records Act or other applicable state or federal law, or order of a court of competent jurisdiction, in which case the City shall notify Consultant of its intention to release Proprietary Information. Consultant shall have five (5) working days after receipt of the Release Notice to give City written notice of Consultant's objection to the City's release of Proprietary Information. Consultant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, and its officers, directors, and employees from and

against all liability, loss, cost or expense (including attorney's fees) arising out of a legal action brought to compel the release of Proprietary Information. City shall not release the Proprietary Information after receipt of the Objection Notice unless either: (1) Consultant fails to fully indemnify, defend (with legal counsel reasonably acceptable to City), and hold City harmless from any legal action brought to compel such release; and/or (2) a final and non-appealable order by a court of competent jurisdiction requires that City release such information.

3.6.3 <u>Cooperation; Further Acts</u>. The Parties shall fully cooperate with one another, and shall take any additional acts or sign any additional documents as may be necessary, appropriate or convenient to attain the purposes of this Agreement.

3.6.4 <u>Attorney's Fees</u>. If either party commences an action against the other party, either legal, administrative or otherwise, arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party in such litigation shall be entitled to have and recover from the losing party reasonable attorney's fees and all other costs of such action.

# 3.6.5 Indemnification.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Consultant shall defend (with counsel reasonably acceptable to City), indemnify and hold the City, its officials, officers, employees and volunteers free and harmless from all claims, demands, causes of action, costs, expenses, liability, loss, damage or injury of any kind, in law or equity, to property or persons, including wrongful death, to the extent caused by the negligent acts, errors or omissions, or willful misconduct of Consultant, its officials, officers, employees, subcontractors, consultants or agents in the performance of the Consultant's Services, the Project or this Agreement. Consultant's obligation to indemnify shall not be restricted to insurance proceeds, if any, received by the Consultant or the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents or volunteers.

If Consultant's obligation to defend, indemnify, and/or hold harmless arises out of Consultant's performance as a "design professional" (as that term is defined under Civil Code section 2782.8), then, and only to the extent required by Civil Code section 2782.8, which is fully incorporated herein, Consultant's indemnification obligation shall be limited to claims to the extent caused by the negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the Consultant, and Consultant's liability for such claim, including the cost to defend, shall not exceed the Consultant's proportionate percentage of fault.

3.6.6 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement contains the entire Agreement of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes all prior negotiations, understandings or agreements. This Agreement may only be modified by a writing signed by both parties.

3.6.7 <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California. Venue shall be in Orange County.

3.6.8 <u>Time of Essence</u>. Time is of the essence for each and every provision of this Agreement.

3.6.9 <u>City's Right to Employ Other Consultants</u>. City reserves right to employ other consultants in connection with this Project.

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3.6.10 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall be binding on the successors and assigns of the parties.

3.6.11 <u>Assignment or Transfer</u>. Consultant shall not assign, hypothecate, or transfer, either directly or by operation of law, this Agreement or any interest herein without the prior written consent of the City. Any attempt to do so shall be null and void, and any assignees, hypothecates or transferees shall acquire no right or interest by reason of such attempted assignment, hypothecation or transfer.

3.6.12 <u>Construction; References; Captions</u>. Since the Parties or their agents have participated fully in the preparation of this Agreement, the language of this Agreement shall be construed simply, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any Party. Any term referencing time, days or period for performance shall be deemed calendar days and not work days. All references to Consultant include all personnel, employees, agents, and subconsultants of Consultant, except as otherwise specified in this Agreement. All references to City include its elected officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers except as otherwise specified in this Agreement. The captions of the various articles and paragraphs are for convenience and ease of reference only, and do not define, limit, augment, or describe the scope, content, or intent of this Agreement.

3.6.13 <u>Amendment; Modification</u>. No supplement, modification, or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding unless executed in writing and signed by both Parties.

3.6.14 <u>Waiver</u>. No waiver of any default shall constitute a waiver of any other default or breach, whether of the same or other covenant or condition. No waiver, benefit, privilege, or service voluntarily given or performed by a Party shall give the other Party any contractual rights by custom, estoppel, or otherwise.

3.6.15 <u>No Third-Party Beneficiaries</u>. There are no intended third party beneficiaries of any right or obligation assumed by the Parties.

3.6.16 <u>Invalidity</u>: Severability. If any portion of this Agreement is declared invalid, illegal, or otherwise unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall continue in full force and effect.

3.6.17 <u>Prohibited Interests</u>. Consultant maintains and warrants that it has not employed nor retained any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Consultant, to solicit or secure this Agreement. Further, Consultant warrants that it has not paid nor has it agreed to pay any company or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for Consultant, any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or other consideration contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Agreement. For breach or violation of this warranty, City shall have the right to rescind this Agreement without liability. For the term of this Agreement, no member, officer or employee of City, during the term of his or her service with City, shall have any direct interest in this Agreement, or obtain any present or anticipated material benefit arising therefrom.

3.6.18 <u>Equal Opportunity Employment</u>. Consultant represents that it is an equal opportunity employer and it shall not discriminate against any subconsultant, employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, national origin, handicap, ancestry, sex or age. Such non-discrimination shall include, but not be limited to, all activities related to (BB&K 2019)

initial employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination. Consultant shall also comply with all relevant provisions of City's Minority Business Enterprise program, Affirmative Action Plan or other related programs or guidelines currently in effect or hereinafter enacted.

3.6.19 <u>Labor Certification</u>. By its signature hereunder, Consultant certifies that it is aware of the provisions of Section 3700 of the California Labor Code which require every employer to be insured against liability for Worker's Compensation or to undertake self-insurance in accordance with the provisions of that Code, and agrees to comply with such provisions before commencing the performance of the Services.

3.6.20 <u>Authority to Enter Agreement.</u> Consultant has all requisite power and authority to conduct its business and to execute, deliver, and perform the Agreement. Each Party warrants that the individuals who have signed this Agreement have the legal power, right, and authority to make this Agreement and bind each respective Party.

3.6.21 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original.

#### 3.7 Subcontracting.

3.7.1 <u>Prior Approval Required</u>. Consultant shall not subcontract any portion of the work required by this Agreement, except as expressly stated herein, without prior written approval of City. Subcontracts, if any, shall contain a provision making them subject to all provisions stipulated in this Agreement.

# CITY OF SIGNAL HILL

# RAFTELIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS, INC.

By:

Carlo Tomaino City Manager By:

Catherine Tuck Parrish Vice President

ATTEST:

By:

Kimberly Boles Assistant City Clerk

#### **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

By:

Best Best & Krieger LLP City Attorney

# EXHIBIT "A" SCOPE OF SERVICES

# I. Consultant will perform the following Services:

Consultant shall recruit qualified candidates for a vacant executive position. The following services shall be included:

- A. <u>Project Approach/Methodology</u> Consultant ensures thorough, thoughtful, and strategic sourcing, evaluation, selection, and vetting of candidates. Reaches out directly to potential candidates, referral sources, professional associations, and user groups, etc. by using business media, outreach emails, general advertising, and conducts outreach efforts including actively calling prospective candidates. Focuses on advertising on websites and in publications specific to women and minority candidates. Ensures compliance, adherence, and maintenance of legally mandated documentation.
- B. <u>Develop Ideal Candidate Profile and Recruitment Timeline</u> Coordinates with the City to identify and develop an ideal candidate profile and develop a mutually acceptable recruitment timetable to be utilized for the recruitment process.
- C. <u>Recruitment Brochure Design and Posting</u> Develops an eye-catching professionally produced recruitment brochure in coordination with the City's feedback. The brochure will highlight the strengths of the City of Signal Hill and the surrounding community and feature the organizational structure and services of the City, its mission and goals, pertinent facts regarding the position, and necessary and desirable candidate qualifications. The brochure will be mailed to an extensive audience to inform potential candidates of the opportunity with the City of Signal Hill and will be advertised for the public to see on online platforms such as Public CEO, California City News, GovernmentJobs.com and in Western Cities magazine as well as social media engagement on LinkedIn with the top industry leaders throughout the nation, and personal outreach. All advertising materials and brochures shall be approved by the City prior to dissemination.
- D. <u>Application & Sourcing</u> At the request of the City, facilitates community surveys or community outreach forums to encourage feedback from residents. Conduct outreach effort including making personal calls to prospective applicants and marketing the Executive Recruitment to prospective candidates. Coordinates with the City to identify prospects, provide potential candidates with recruitment brochures, capture interested candidates in Consultants' recruitment project database, and provide representative data to the City, including candidate documents, interview notes, and an outline of the recruitment process.
- E. <u>Recommendation of Candidates</u> Provides the City with a report of leading candidates to further narrow the pool to the most highly qualified and establish the best organizational fit of each potential finalist. Screens leading candidates based on a process specifically designed to assess the personal and professional attributes the City has identified and focused on each candidate's ability, technical competency, and fit with the City's values, culture, and needs.

- F. <u>Interview Facilitation</u> Advises and develops interviewing strategies and facilities all necessary communications with the City and candidates to ensure preparedness. Assembles interview packets and uses criteria agreed to by the City. The Project Manager coordinates interviews, interview schedules, and finalizes the interview process.
- G. <u>Background Checks/Detailed Reference Checks</u> Provides thorough and quality reference and background check process. Consultant calls candidates' employment and professional references and conducts an in-depth discussion, covering their strongest business characteristics, work style, interpersonal skills, and position-specific knowledge. In coordination with a third-party firm, verifies educational degrees and employment records
- H. <u>Negotiations</u> Facilitates and leads the negotiations of the final terms and conditions of employment and notifies all candidates not selected as finalists for the position.

## II. Placement Guarantee

If the City disapproves of all final candidates or should no candidates pass to the final interview and reference check process, Consultant will find a new slate of candidates at no added cost. In addition, if a candidate that is selected and appointed by the City of Signal Hill leaves the position or is terminated from employment within 12 months of hire for cause, Consultant commits to conducting a one-time additional executive search to identify a replacement and only charge related expenses as described in the Pricing Proposal.

#### III. Project Schedule

Consultant takes between twelve to fourteen (12-14) weeks to complete search efforts for executive recruitments. Per section 3.1.2, This Agreement shall continue until the Consultant completes the Services described within this Agreement or until a satisfactory placement is made, whichever is earlier, not to exceed 6-months.

# EXHIBIT "B" SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

- I. Consultant shall deliver the following tangible work products to the City.
  - A. Professionally produced recruitment brochure
  - B. Weekly progress reports
  - C. Written report of resident comments prior to first-round interviews (if the City requests community surveys or community outreach forums)
  - D. Written report of leading candidates
  - E. Interview packets with written interview questions, questions, evaluation tools, and additional materials
  - F. Written report detailing documented results of background check of candidates.
- II. All work product is subject to review and acceptance by the City and must be revised by the Consultant without additional charge to the City until found satisfactory and accepted by the City. The City Manager may approve extensions for performance of the services in accordance with Section 3.1.

# EXHIBIT "C" COMPENSATION

- I. The following compensation shall be provided:
  - A. Consultant shall provide the Services under the Agreement on an on-call, asneeded basis. For each executive recruitment project solicited by the City, Consultant shall receive compensation for the Services at the rates and in the manner set forth below. In no event shall the compensation paid to Consultant exceed the amount of \$75,000 over the term of the agreement without the advanced approval of the City.
  - B. Consultant shall perform and complete all professional services under Exhibit "A", Section I, based upon a compensation schedule accepted by the City for the executive recruitment.
  - B. Total not-to-exceed project fee of \$25,000 per recruitment, which includes all professional services and expenses, including brochure development and design, advertising, printing, and shipping, associated consultant travel if required, and background. Consultant may increase the project fee by 5% increase each year of the agreement, however, the total amount is not to exceed \$75,000 during the term of the agreement without the advanced approval of the City.
- II. The City will compensate Consultant for the Services performed upon submission of four valid invoices. Each invoice is to include:
  - A. Description of the work performed and the overall percentage of completion of the scope of services.
  - B. Line items for all other approved reimbursable expenses claimed, with supporting documentation.
- III. If this Agreement is renewed pursuant to Section 3.1.2, the rates set forth above may be increased or reduced each year at the time of renewal, but any increase shall not exceed the Consumer Price Index, All Urban Consumers, Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange Counties.

#### EXHIBIT "D" INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### 3.2.11 Insurance.

3.2.11.1 <u>Time for Compliance</u>. Consultant shall not commence work under this Agreement until it has provided evidence satisfactory to the City that it has secured all insurance required under this section. In addition, Consultant shall not allow any subconsultant to commence work on any subcontract until it has provided evidence satisfactory to the City that the subconsultant has secured all insurance required under this section.

3.2.11.2 <u>Types of Insurance Required</u>. As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement for work to be performed hereunder, and without limiting the indemnity provisions of the Agreement, the Consultant, in partial performance of its obligations under such Agreement, shall procure and maintain in full force and effect during the term of the Agreement the following policies of insurance. If the existing policies do not meet the insurance requirements set forth herein, Consultant agrees to amend, supplement or endorse the policies to do so.

(A) Commercial General Liability: Commercial General Liability Insurance which affords coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office "occurrence" form CG 0001, or the exact equivalent, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and no less than \$2,000,000 in the general aggregate. Defense costs shall be paid in addition to the limits. The policy shall contain no endorsements or provisions (1) limiting coverage for contractual liability; (2) excluding coverage for claims or suits by one insured against another (cross-liability); or (3) containing any other exclusion(s) contrary to the terms or purposes of this Agreement.

(B) Automobile Liability Insurance: Automobile Liability Insurance with coverage at least as broad as Insurance Services Office Form CA 0001 covering "Any Auto" (Symbol 1), or the exact equivalent, covering bodily injury and property damage for all activities with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 combined limit for each occurrence.

(C) Workers' Compensation: Workers' Compensation Insurance, as required by the State of California and Employer's Liability Insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and disease.

(D) Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions): Professional Liability insurance or Errors & Omissions insurance appropriate to Consultant's profession with limits of not less than \$1,000,000. Covered professional services shall specifically include all work to be performed under the Agreement and delete any exclusions that may potentially affect the work to be performed (for example, any exclusions relating to lead, asbestos, pollution, testing, underground storage tanks, laboratory analysis, soil work, etc.). If coverage is written on a claims-made basis, the retroactive date shall precede the effective date of the initial Agreement and continuous coverage will be maintained or an extended reporting period will be exercised for a period of at least three (3) years from termination or expiration of this Agreement.

3.2.11.3 <u>Insurance Endorsements</u>. Required insurance policies shall contain the following provisions, or Consultant shall provide endorsements on forms approved by the City to add the following provisions to the insurance policies:

(A) Commercial General Liability

(1) Additional Insured: The City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers shall be additional insureds with regard to liability and defense of suits or claims arising out of the performance of the Agreement.

Additional Insured Endorsements shall not (1) be restricted to "ongoing operations"; (2) exclude "contractual liability"; (3) restrict coverage to "sole" liability of Consultant; or (4) contain any other exclusions contrary to the terms or purposes of this Agreement. For all policies of Commercial General Liability insurance, Consultant shall provide endorsements in the form of ISO CG 20 10 10 01 and 20 37 10 01 (or endorsements providing the exact same coverage) to effectuate this requirement.

(2) Cancellation: Required insurance policies shall not be canceled or the coverage reduced until a thirty (30) day written notice of cancellation has been served upon the City except ten (10) days shall be allowed for non-payment of premium.

(B) Automobile Liability:

(C) Cancellation: Required insurance policies shall not be canceled or the coverage reduced until a thirty (30) day written notice of cancellation has been served upon the City except ten (10) days shall be allowed for non-payment of premium.

3.2.11.4 Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions):

(A) Cancellation: Required insurance policies shall not be canceled or the coverage reduced until a thirty (30) day written notice of cancellation has been served upon the City except ten (10) days shall be allowed for non-payment of premium.

(B) Contractual Liability Exclusion Deleted: This insurance shall include contractual liability applicable to this Agreement. The policy must "pay on behalf of" the insured and include a provision establishing the insurer's duty to defend.

3.2.11.5 Workers' Compensation:

(A) Cancellation: Required insurance policies shall not be canceled or the coverage reduced until a thirty (30) day written notice of cancellation has been served upon the City except ten (10) days shall be allowed for non-payment of premium.

(B) Waiver of Subrogation: A waiver of subrogation stating that the insurer waives all rights of subrogation against the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers.

3.2.11.6 <u>Primary and Non-Contributing Insurance</u>. All policies of Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability insurance shall be primary and any other insurance, deductible, or self-insurance maintained by the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, or volunteers shall not contribute with this primary insurance. Policies shall contain or be endorsed to contain such provisions.

3.2.11.7 <u>Waiver of Subrogation</u>. All policies of Commercial General Liability and Automobile Liability insurance shall contain or be endorsed to waive subrogation

against the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers or shall specifically allow Consultant or others providing insurance evidence in compliance with these specifications to waive their right of recovery prior to a loss. Consultant hereby waives its own right of recovery against the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers, and shall require similar written express waivers and insurance clauses from each of its subconsultants.

3.2.11.8 <u>Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions</u>. Any deductible or selfinsured retention must be approved in writing by the City and shall protect the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers in the same manner and to the same extent as they would have been protected had the policy or policies not contained a deductible or self-insured retention.

3.2.11.9 Evidence of Insurance. The Consultant, concurrently with the execution of the Agreement, and as a condition precedent to the effectiveness thereof, shall deliver either certified copies of the required policies, or original certificates on forms approved by the City, together with all endorsements affecting each policy. Required insurance policies shall not be in compliance if they include any limiting provision or endorsement that has not been submitted to the City for approval. The certificates and endorsements for each insurance policy shall be signed by a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. At least fifteen (15 days) prior to the expiration of any such policy, evidence of insurance showing that such insurance coverage has been renewed or extended shall be filed with the City. If such coverage is cancelled or reduced and not replaced immediately so as to avoid a lapse in the required coverage, Consultant shall, within ten (10) days after receipt of written notice of such cancellation or reduction of coverage, file with the City evidence of insurance showing that the required insurance has been reinstated or has been provided through another insurance company or companies.

3.2.11.10 <u>Failure to Maintain Coverage</u>. In the event any policy of insurance required under this Agreement does not comply with these specifications or is canceled and not replaced immediately so as to avoid a lapse in the required coverage, City has the right but not the duty to obtain the insurance it deems necessary and any premium paid by City will be promptly reimbursed by Consultant or City will withhold amounts sufficient to pay premium from Consultant payments. In the alternative, City may cancel this Agreement effective upon notice.

3.2.11.11 <u>Acceptability of Insurers</u>. Each such policy shall be from a company or companies with a current A.M. Best's rating of no less than A:VII and authorized to transact business of insurance in the State of California, or otherwise allowed to place insurance through surplus line brokers under applicable provisions of the California Insurance Code or any federal law.

3.2.11.12 <u>Enforcement of Agreement Provisions (non estoppel)</u>. Consultant acknowledges and agrees that actual or alleged failure on the part of the City to inform Consultant of non-compliance with any requirement imposes no additional obligation on the City nor does it waive any rights hereunder.

3.2.11.13 <u>Requirements Not Limiting</u>. Requirement of specific coverage or minimum limits contained in this Appendix are not intended as a limitation on coverage, limits, or other requirement, or a waiver of any coverage normally provided by any insurance.

3.2.11.14 Insurance for Subconsultants. Consultant shall include all subconsultants engaged in any work for Consultant relating to this Agreement as additional insureds under the Consultant's policies, or the Consultant shall be responsible for causing subconsultants to purchase the appropriate insurance in compliance with the terms of these Insurance Requirements, including adding the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, and volunteers as additional insureds to the subconsultant's policies. All policies of Commercial General Liability insurance provided by Consultant's subconsultants performing work relating to this Agreement shall be endorsed to name the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents and volunteers as additional insureds using endorsement form ISO CG 20 38 04 13 or an endorsement providing equivalent coverage. Consultant shall not allow any subconsultant to commence work on any subcontract relating to this Agreement until it has received satisfactory evidence of subconsultant's compliance with all insurance requirements under this Agreement, to the extent applicable. The Consultant shall provide satisfactory evidence of compliance with this section upon request of the City.

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