

A G R E E M E N T

THIS AGREEMENT is made between the **CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER**, a municipal corporation of the State of Colorado (the “City”) and **CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP**, a Minnesota limited liability partnership, authorized to do business in Colorado doing business at 70 Interlocken Blvd., Suite 500, Broomfield, Colorado 80021 (the “Contractor”), jointly “the parties”.

The parties agree as follows:

1. COORDINATION AND LIAISON: The Contractor shall fully coordinate all services under the Agreement with the Denver Auditor, (“Denver Auditor”) or, the Denver Auditor’s Designee.

2. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED:

a. As the Denver Auditor directs, the Contractor shall diligently undertake, perform, and complete all of the services and produce all the deliverables set forth on **Exhibit A, the Scope of Work**, to the City’s satisfaction. Contractor and the City acknowledge and agree that, for any Renewal Terms (as defined below), the parties will enter into an annual engagement letter in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, which sets forth the obligations and responsibilities of that year’s services. So long as the engagement letter substantially matches the form attached as Exhibit A and does not purport to alter the terms of this Agreement, no amendment to this Agreement is necessary for the Auditor’s acceptance and execution of the annual engagement letter.

b. The Contractor is ready, willing, and able to provide the services required by this Agreement.

c. The Contractor shall faithfully perform the services in accordance with the standards of care, skill, training, diligence, and judgment provided by highly competent individuals performing services of a similar nature to those described in the Agreement and in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. Contractor’s services cannot be relied upon to disclose all errors, fraud, or noncompliance with laws and regulations. Except as described herein or any applicable SOW, Contractor has no responsibility to identify and communicate deficiencies in City’s internal controls as part of any services.

d. The Contractor shall comply with all legislative and regulatory requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (“HIPAA”); the

Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (“HITECH”); 42 CFR Part 2, Confidentiality of Substance use Disorder Patient Records; the privacy standards adopted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164, Subparts A and E; and the security standards adopted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 45 C.F.R. Parts 160, 162, 164, and Subpart C (collectively, “HIPAA Rules”). The Contractor shall implement all necessary protective measures designed to comply with HIPAA Rules, and the Contractor hereby agrees to be bound by the terms of the Business Associate Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Appendix 1 to **Exhibit A**. The Contractor shall not use protected health information or substance use treatment records except as legally necessary to fulfill the purpose of this Agreement and shall hold the City harmless, to the extent permitted by law, for any breach of these regulations. This Section shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, and the Contractor shall ensure that the requirements of this Section are included in any relevant subcontracts or subgrants.

3. TERM:

a. Initial Term. The Agreement will commence on the date of the City’s signature (the “Effective Date”) of this Agreement and will expire on December 31, 2025, (the “Initial Term.”)

b. Renewal Options. The City shall have the unilateral option to renew the Initial Term for up to four (4) additional one-year terms. The first Renewal Term shall be from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026; the second Renewal Term shall be from January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2027; the third Renewal Term shall be from January 1, 2028 to December 31, 2028; and the fourth Renewal Term shall be from January 1, 2029 to December 31, 2029; (each an “Annual Renewal”). Subject to the Auditor’s prior written authorization, the Contractor shall complete any work in progress as of the expiration date unless earlier terminated by the Auditor.

c. Renewal Procedures; Non-Renewal. The Maximum Payment shall be payable only if funds are appropriated by the City Council and for which an encumbrance has been made in each year for the ensuing fiscal year. The option of the City to renew the Initial Term, or any subsequent Renewal Term shall have been deemed to have been exercised upon the City making such appropriation and encumbrance for the next fiscal year. If such appropriation and encumbrance is not made for a future fiscal year, during which such Renewal Term occurs, then, the City shall be deemed to have failed to exercise its option to renew this Agreement for a subsequent Renewal Term, whereupon this Agreement will expire and terminate on the expiration

date of the then current Initial Term or Renewal Term. Absent any notice of non-appropriation or any notice delivered in accordance with this section the Agreement shall be deemed to have been renewed. It is expressly understood and agreed that if the City exercises its option to renew this Agreement for a Renewal Term, the City's obligation to make payments to the Contractor shall only extend to monies appropriated and encumbered for the purposes and amounts covered by this Agreement.

4. COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT:

a. Fee: The Contractor's sole compensation for its services rendered and costs incurred under the Agreement will be at the annual pricing for the term shown on **Exhibit B** and, if all Renewal Terms are effected, total compensation for the services and expenses provided under this Agreement shall not exceed Three Million Four Hundred Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$3,436,216.00). to be paid based on monthly invoicing as described in this Paragraph 4. Amounts billed annually may not exceed the Engagement Fee set forth in **Exhibit B**.

b. Reimbursable Expenses: No separate expenses are to be reimbursed under this agreement.

c. Invoicing: Contractor shall provide the City with monthly invoices in a format and with a level of detail acceptable to the City including all supporting documentation required by the City. The City's Prompt Payment Ordinance, §§ 20-107 to 20-118, D.R.M.C., applies to invoicing and payment under this Agreement.

d. Maximum Contract Amount:

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Agreement, the City's maximum payment obligation if all renewal terms are effective will not exceed Three Million Four Hundred Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$3,436,216.00) (the "Maximum Contract Amount"). The City is not obligated to execute an Agreement or any amendments for any further services, including any services performed by Contractor beyond that specifically described in **Exhibit A**. Any services performed beyond those in **Exhibit A** are performed at Contractor's risk and without authorization under the Agreement.

(2) The City's payment obligation, whether direct or contingent, extends only to funds appropriated annually by the Denver City Council, paid into

the Treasury of the City, and encumbered for the purpose of the Agreement. The City does not by this Agreement irrevocably pledge present cash reserves for payment or performance in future fiscal years. The Agreement does not and is not intended to create a multiple-fiscal year direct or indirect debt or financial obligation of the City.

5. STATUS OF CONTRACTOR: The Contractor is an independent contractor retained to perform professional or technical services for limited periods of time. Neither the Contractor nor any of its employees are employees or officers of the City under Chapter 18 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, or for any purpose whatsoever.

6. TERMINATION:

a. The City has the right to terminate the Agreement with cause upon written notice effective immediately, and without cause upon twenty (20) days prior written notice to the Contractor. However, nothing gives the Contractor the right to perform services under the Agreement beyond the time when its services become unsatisfactory to the Denver Auditor.

b. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the City may terminate the Agreement if the Contractor or any of its officers or employees are convicted, plead *nolo contendere*, enter into a formal agreement in which they admit guilt, enter a plea of guilty or otherwise admit culpability to criminal offenses of bribery, kickbacks, collusive bidding, bid-rigging, antitrust, fraud, undue influence, theft, racketeering, extortion or any offense of a similar nature in connection with Contractor's business. Termination for the reasons stated in this paragraph is effective upon receipt of notice.

c. The Contractor may resign and terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the City at any time in accordance with the laws, regulations, and Professional Standards applicable to the type of services provided hereunder.

d. Upon termination of the Agreement, with or without cause, the Contractor shall have no claim against the City by reason of, or arising out of, incidental or relating to termination, except for compensation for work duly requested and satisfactorily performed as described in the Agreement; further, the provisions of this Agreement shall continue to apply to all services rendered prior to termination.

e. If the Agreement is terminated, the City is entitled to and will take possession of all materials, equipment, tools and facilities it owns that are in the Contractor's

possession, custody, or control by whatever method the City deems expedient. The Contractor shall deliver all documents in any form that were prepared under the Agreement and all other items, materials and documents that have been paid for by the City to the City. These documents and materials are the property of the City. The Contractor shall mark all copies of work product that are incomplete at the time of termination "DRAFT-INCOMPLETE".

7. **EXAMINATION OF RECORDS**: The Contractor agrees that any duly authorized representative of the City, including the Manager of Finance and the Denver Auditor upon reasonable written notice to the Contractor shall, until the expiration of three (3) years after termination of the audit services under this Agreement, unless the firm is notified in writing by the City of the need to extend the retention period, have access to and the right to examine the records of the Contractor reasonably necessary to substantiate the Contractor's invoices to and payments from the City for services performed hereunder. Access to working papers shall be provided upon request to representatives of the United States General Accounting Office or other appropriate government audit staffs under the supervision of the Contractor and at a location designated by the Contractor. The City agrees that the Contractor's audit work papers are the property of the Contractor, that the work papers include information that is proprietary (for example, audit programs and the Contractor's audit process), and that it would be inappropriate for the City to have access to certain of the Contractor's work papers because, among other things, such access may provide the City information as to how the audit is conducted by the Contractor and could thus compromise, or be viewed as compromising, an audit or the audit process. However, the City and the Contractor both acknowledge and agree that the Contractor's work papers may include information, prepared by the City or by the Contractor which may be useful to the City in responding, for example, to questions raised by the cognizant audit agency as a result of its review or audit of the City's financial statements. The Contractor agrees that if the City requests access to information in the Contractor's work papers as to the composition of particular accounts contained in the City's financial statements or the City's accounting policies or practices (as opposed to information about the Contractor's administrative materials, audit process or the nature and extent of audit tests), the Contractor shall, upon reasonable notice and with representatives of the Contractor present, provide the City access to such information in the Contractor's work papers. The Contractor agrees to make working papers available either to the City or successor

Contractors, upon request or approval of the City. In addition, the Contractor shall respond to the reasonable inquiries of the Denver Auditor.

In the event the Contractor is required pursuant to valid subpoena or other legal process to produce its work papers related to the audit services performed hereunder in any judicial or administrative proceeding, the City shall reimburse the Contractor for its professional time and expenses incurred in responding to such request, but specifically excluding any attorney's fees or costs or any other third party fees or costs, and only to the extent that funds are available under the Maximum Contract Amount specified in Subparagraph 4(d) hereof.

Nothing in this Article or Agreement shall be deemed to waive or modify any rights of privilege available at law to the City. If Contractor is served or otherwise receives a subpoena for Contractor's records, reports, work papers related to the audit services performed under this Agreement, the Contractor shall deliver written notice of each and every such subpoena to the Auditor and a copy to the City Attorney within ten (10) business days after the date of receipt or service of the subpoena.

Any records or documents in the custody of the Contractor that are available to the City under this Paragraph 7 may be redacted by the Contractor only to the extent necessary to protect the Contractor's proprietary and confidential information contained therein and to avoid an invasion of privacy.

8. WHEN RIGHTS AND REMEDIES NOT WAIVED: In no event will any payment or other action by the City constitute or be construed to be a waiver by the City of any breach of covenant or default that may then exist on the part of the Contractor. No payment, other action, or inaction by the City when any breach or default exists will impair or prejudice any right or remedy available to it with respect to any breach or default. No assent, expressed or implied, to any breach of any term of the Agreement constitutes a waiver of any other breach.

9. INSURANCE:

a. General Conditions: Contractor agrees to secure, at or before the time of execution of this Agreement, the following insurance covering all operations, goods or services provided pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall keep the required insurance coverage in force at all times during the term of the Agreement, including any extension thereof, during any warranty period and for three (3) years after termination of the Agreement. The required insurance shall be underwritten by an

insurer licensed or authorized to do business in Colorado and rated by A.M. Best Company as "A-VIII" or better. Each policy shall require notification to the City in the event any of the required policies be canceled or non-renewed before the expiration date thereof. Such written notice shall be sent to the parties identified in the Notices section of this Agreement. Such notice shall reference the City contract number listed on the signature page of this Agreement. Said notice shall be sent thirty (30) days prior to such cancellation or non-renewal unless due to non-payment of premiums for which notice shall be sent ten (10) days prior. If such written notice is unavailable from the insurer, Contractor shall provide written notice of cancellation, non-renewal and any reduction in coverage to the parties identified in the Notices section by certified mail, return receipt requested within three (3) business days of such notice by its insurer(s) and referencing the City's contract number. Contractor shall be responsible for the payment of any deductible or self-insured retention. The insurance coverages specified in this Agreement are the minimum requirements, and these requirements do not lessen or limit the liability of the Contractor. The Contractor shall maintain, at its own expense, any additional kinds or amounts of insurance that it may deem necessary to cover its obligations and liabilities under this Agreement.

b. Proof of Insurance: Contractor may not commence services or work relating to this Agreement prior to placement of coverages required under this Agreement. Contractor certifies that the certificate of insurance attached as **Exhibit C**, preferably an ACORD form, complies with all insurance requirements of this Agreement. The City requests that the City's contract number be referenced on the certificate of insurance. The City's acceptance of a certificate of insurance or other proof of insurance that does not comply with all insurance requirements set forth in this Agreement shall not act as a waiver of Contractor's breach of this Agreement or of any of the City's rights or remedies under this Agreement. The City's Risk Management Office may require additional proof of insurance, including but not limited to policies and endorsements.

c. Additional Insureds: For commercial general liability, excess/umbrella liability (if required), auto liability, Contractor's and subcontractor's insurer shall

include the City and County of Denver, its elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers as additional insured.

d. Waiver of Subrogation: For all coverages required under this Agreement, with the exception of Professional Liability, Contractor's insurer shall waive subrogation rights against the City.

e. Subcontractors and Sub-consultants: Contractor shall confirm and document that all subcontractors and subconsultants (including independent contractors, suppliers or other entities providing goods or services required by this Agreement) procure and maintain coverage as approved by the Contractor and appropriate to their respective primary business risks considering the nature and scope of services provided.

f. Workers' Compensation/Employer's Liability Insurance: Contractor shall maintain the coverage as required by statute for each work location and shall maintain Employer's Liability insurance with limits of \$100,000 per occurrence for each bodily injury claim, \$100,000 per occurrence for each bodily injury caused by disease claim, and \$500,000 aggregate for all bodily injuries caused by disease claims.

g. Commercial General Liability: Contractor shall maintain a Commercial General Liability insurance policy with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 for each bodily injury and property damage occurrence, \$2,000,000 products and completed operations aggregate (if applicable), and \$2,000,000 policy aggregate.

h. Automobile Liability: Contractor shall maintain Business Automobile Liability with limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limit applicable to all hired and non-owned vehicles used in performing services under this Agreement.

i. Professional Liability (Errors & Omissions): Contractor shall maintain minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per claim and \$1,000,000 policy aggregate limit. The policy shall be kept in force, or a Tail policy placed, for three (3) years for all contracts except construction contracts for which the policy or Tail shall be kept in place for eight (8) years.

j. Cyber Liability: Contractor shall maintain Cyber Liability coverage with minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$1,000,000 policy aggregate covering claims involving privacy violations, information theft, damage to or

destruction of electronic information, intentional and/or unintentional release of private information, alteration of electronic information, extortion and network security. If Claims Made, the policy shall be kept in force, or a Tail policy placed, for three (3) years.

10. DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION:

a. Under the Charter of the City and County of Denver Article VI, the City Attorney is the only officer which may provide for the legal representation of the City. It is fundamental that only the City Attorney manage the legal representation and that the Contractor has no obligation to manage the representation or legal defense of the City. Additionally, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, Inc. asserts at 1.228.020 an “Independence Rule” that their member must be free of any and all influences that might compromise objective judgment which could be tainted if required without adequate safeguards to pay for the wrongdoings of a client. The requirements of both parties are intended to be complied with in this Section 10. Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless City and its appointed and elected officials, agents and employees for, from and against all liabilities, claims, and damages to the City (“Claims”) arising out of or resulting from any negligent or intentionally tortious acts or omissions in connection with the professional services performed under this Agreement, to the extent caused by Contractor, its employees, agents, or subcontractors. Contractor is not obligated under this section to indemnify City for the negligent acts of City or any of its officials, agents, or employees.

b. If arising out of or resulting from Contractor’s negligent or intentionally tortious acts or omissions, Contractor’s duty to pay for the defense and pay to indemnify City shall arise at the time written notice of the Claim is first provided to City regardless of whether Claimant has filed suit on the Claim. Contractor’s duty to pay to defend and pay to indemnify City shall arise even if City is the only party sued by claimant.

c. If arising out of or resulting from Contractor’s negligent or intentionally tortious acts or omissions, Contractor shall pay for the defense of any and all Claims which may be brought or threatened against City and shall pay on behalf of City any expenses incurred by reason of such Claims including, but not limited to, court costs and attorney fees incurred in defending and investigating such Claims or seeking to enforce this payment in the nature of indemnity obligation. Such payments on behalf of City will be in addition to any other legal remedies available to City and will not be the City’s exclusive remedy.

d. In meeting the Contractor's payment obligations under this Section 10, the City will not object to the Contractor seeking to satisfy the obligation through insurance in whole or in part. Insurance coverage requirements specified in this Agreement in no way lessen or limit the liability of the Contractor under the terms of this Section 10 payment obligation. The Contractor is responsible to obtain, at its own expense, any additional insurance that it deems necessary for the City's protection.

e. This defense and indemnification obligation shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

11. **TAXES, CHARGES AND PENALTIES**: The City is not liable for the payment of taxes, late charges or penalties of any nature, except for any additional amounts that the City may be required to pay under the City's prompt payment ordinance D.R.M.C. § 20-107, *et seq.* The Contractor shall promptly pay when due, all taxes, bills, debts and obligations it incurs performing the services under the Agreement and shall not allow any lien, mortgage, judgment or execution to be filed against City property.

12. **ASSIGNMENT; SUBCONTRACTING**: The Contractor shall not voluntarily or involuntarily assign any of its rights or obligations, or subcontract performance obligations, under this Agreement without obtaining the Denver Auditor's prior written consent. Any assignment or subcontracting without such consent will be ineffective and void, and will be cause for termination of this Agreement by the City. The Denver Auditor has sole and absolute discretion whether to consent to any assignment or subcontracting, or to terminate the Agreement because of unauthorized assignment or subcontracting. In the event of any subcontracting or unauthorized assignment: (i) the Contractor shall remain responsible to the City; and (ii) no contractual relationship shall be created between the City and any sub-consultant, subcontractor or assign.

13. **COLORADO GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY ACT**: In relation to the Agreement, the City is relying upon and has not waived the monetary limitations and all other rights, immunities and protection provided by the Colorado Governmental Act, C.R.S. § 24-10-101, *et seq.*

14. **INUREMENT**: The rights and obligations of the parties to the Agreement inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the parties and their respective successors and assigns, provided assignments are consented to in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

15. NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY: Enforcement of the terms of the Agreement and all rights of action relating to enforcement are strictly reserved to the parties. Nothing contained in the Agreement gives or allows any claim or right of action to any third person or entity. Any person or entity other than the City or the Contractor receiving services or benefits pursuant to the Agreement is an incidental beneficiary only.

16. NO AUTHORITY TO BIND CITY TO CONTRACTS: The Contractor lacks any authority to bind the City on any contractual matters. Final approval of all contractual matters that purport to obligate the City must be executed by the City in accordance with the City's Charter and the Denver Revised Municipal Code.

17. SEVERABILITY: Except for the provisions of the Agreement requiring appropriation of funds and limiting the total amount payable by the City, if a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision of the Agreement or any portion of it to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity of the remaining portions or provisions will not be affected, if the intent of the parties can be fulfilled.

18. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

a. No employee of the City shall have any personal or beneficial interest in the services or property described in the Agreement. The Contractor shall not hire, or contract for services with, any employee or officer of the City that would be in violation of the City's Code of Ethics, D.R.M.C. §2-51, et seq. or the Charter §§ 1.2.8, 1.2.9, and 1.2.12.

b. The Contractor shall not engage in any transaction, activity or conduct that would result in a conflict of interest under the Agreement. The Contractor represents that it has disclosed any and all current or potential conflicts of interest. A conflict of interest shall include transactions, activities or conduct that would affect the judgment, actions or work of the Contractor by placing the Contractor's own interests, or the interests of any party with whom the Contractor has a contractual arrangement, in conflict with those of the City. The City, in its sole discretion, will determine the existence of a conflict of interest and may terminate the Agreement if it determines a conflict exists, after it has given the Contractor written notice describing the conflict.

19. NOTICES: All notices required by the terms of the Agreement must be hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service, mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, or mailed via United States mail, postage prepaid, if to Contractor at the address first above written, and if to the City at:

Denver Auditor or Designee
201 W. Colfax Ave., Dep't. 705
Denver, CO 80202

With a copy of any such notice to:

Denver City Attorney's Office
1437 Bannock St., Room 353
Denver, Colorado 80202

Notices hand delivered or sent by overnight courier are effective upon delivery. Notices sent by certified mail are effective upon receipt. Notices sent by mail are effective upon deposit with the U.S. Postal Service. The parties may designate substitute addresses where or persons to whom notices are to be mailed or delivered. However, these substitutions will not become effective until actual receipt of written notification.

20. GOVERNING LAW; VENUE: The Agreement will be construed and enforced in accordance with applicable federal law, the laws of the State of Colorado, and the Charter, Revised Municipal Code, ordinances, regulations and Executive Orders of the City and County of Denver, which are expressly incorporated into the Agreement. Unless otherwise specified, any reference to statutes, laws, regulations, charter or code provisions, ordinances, executive orders, or related memoranda, includes amendments or supplements to same. Venue for any legal action relating to the Agreement will be in the District Court of the State of Colorado, Second Judicial District (Denver District Court).

21. NO DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT: I In connection with the performance of work under the Agreement, the Contractor may not refuse to hire, discharge, promote, demote, or discriminate in matters of compensation against any person otherwise qualified, solely because of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, citizenship, immigration status, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital status, source of income, military status, protective hairstyle, or disability. The Contractor shall insert the foregoing provision in all subcontracts.

22. COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS:

a. Contractor shall perform or cause to be performed all services in full compliance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations and codes of the United States, the State of Colorado; and with the Charter, ordinances, rules, regulations and Executive Orders of the City and County of Denver.

b. Where the source of the funds, directly or indirectly for this Agreement is the Federal Government, the Contractor shall be responsible for determining which of the following terms are applicable to its products and/or services and agrees to the applicable provisions:

- (1)** Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance: Contractor agrees to comply with Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, entitled "Equal Employment Opportunity," as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR Part 60);
- (2)** Davis-Bacon Act Compliance: Contractor agrees to comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3148 to 3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5);
- (3)** Anti-Kickback Act Compliance: Contractor agrees to comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3);
- (4)** Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards: Contractor agrees to comply with Sections 102 and 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-333), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR part 5);
- (5)** Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement: Contractor agrees to comply with 37 CFR part 401, "Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency;
- (6)** Clean Air and Water Requirements: Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or requirements issued under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et. seq.), and the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et. seq.). Contractor agrees to report each violation of these requirements to the City and understands and agrees that the City will, in turn, report each violation as required to the appropriate EPA regional office;

- (7) Energy Conservation Requirements: The Contractor agrees to comply with mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act. (42 U.S.C. 6201);
- (8) No Suspension or Debarment: Contractor certifies that neither it nor its Principals or any of its subcontractors is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this Agreement by any Federal department or agency; and
- (9) Byrd Anti-Lobbying: If the Maximum Contract Amount exceeds \$100,000, the Contractor must complete and submit to the City a required certification form provided by the City certifying that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract grant of any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Contractor must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

23. COMPLIANCE WITH DENVER WAGE LAWS: To the extent applicable to the Contractor's provision of Services hereunder, the Contractor shall comply with, and agrees to be bound by, all rules, regulations, requirements, conditions, and City determinations regarding the City's Minimum Wage and Civil Wage Theft Ordinances, Sections 58-1 through 58-26 D.R.M.C., including, but not limited to, the requirement that every covered worker shall be paid all earned wages under applicable state, federal, and city law in accordance with the foregoing D.R.M.C. Sections. By executing this Agreement, the Contractor expressly acknowledges that the Contractor is aware of the requirements of the City's Minimum Wage and Civil Wage Theft Ordinances and that any failure by the Contractor, or any other individual or entity acting subject to this Agreement, to strictly comply with the foregoing D.R.M.C. Sections shall result in the penalties and other remedies authorized therein.

24. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Contractor represents and warrants that it possesses the legal authority, pursuant to any proper, appropriate and official motion, resolution or action passed or taken, to enter into the Agreement. Each person signing and executing the Agreement on behalf of Contractor represents and warrants that the signer has been fully authorized by Contractor to execute the Agreement on behalf of Contractor and to validly and legally bind Contractor to all the terms, performances and provisions of the Agreement. The City shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to either temporarily suspend or permanently terminate the Agreement if there is a dispute as to the legal authority of either Contractor or the person signing the Agreement to enter into the Agreement.

25. NO CONSTRUCTION AGAINST DRAFTING PARTY: The parties and their respective counsel have had the opportunity to review the Agreement, and the Agreement will not be construed against any party merely because any provisions of the Agreement were prepared by a particular party.

26. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE: In the event of any conflicts between the language of the Agreement and the exhibits, the language of the Agreement controls.

27. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS: The City and Contractor intend that all property rights to any and all final Deliverables created by the Contractor and paid for by the City pursuant to this Agreement, (collectively, “Materials”), shall belong to the City. The Contractor shall own its workpapers but as provided herein shall make such workpapers accessible to successor contractors upon execution of a successor auditor access letter.

28. SURVIVAL OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS: The terms of the Agreement and any exhibits and attachments that by reasonable implication contemplate continued performance, rights, or compliance beyond expiration or termination of the Agreement survive the Agreement and will continue to be enforceable. Without limiting the generality of this provision, the Contractor’s obligations to provide insurance and to indemnify the City will survive for a period equal to any and all relevant statutes of limitation, plus the time necessary to fully resolve any claims, matters, or actions begun within that period.

29. ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE: The Contractor shall not include any reference to the Agreement or to services performed pursuant to the Agreement in any of the Contractor’s advertising or public relations materials without first obtaining the written approval of the Denver Auditor. Any oral presentation or written materials related to services

performed under the Agreement will be limited to services that have been accepted by the City. The Contractor shall notify the Denver Auditor in advance of the date and time of any presentation. Nothing in this provision precludes the transmittal of any information to City officials.

30. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION:

a. City Information: Contractor acknowledges and accepts that, in performance of all work under the terms of this Agreement, Contractor may have access to Proprietary Data or confidential information that may be owned or controlled by the City, and that the disclosure of such Proprietary Data or information may be damaging to the City or third parties. Contractor agrees that all Proprietary Data or confidential information provided or otherwise disclosed by the City to Contractor shall be held in confidence and used only in the performance of its obligations under this Agreement. Contractor shall exercise the same standard of care to protect such Proprietary Data and information as a reasonably prudent Contractor would to protect its own proprietary or confidential data. “Proprietary Data” shall mean any materials or information which may be designated or marked “Proprietary” or “Confidential”, and shall include protected and sensitive data as set forth in §§ 24-73-101 and 6-1-716(1)(g)(I)(A), C.R.S., as amended that are not otherwise in the public domain (except as a result of a breach of confidentiality), or which would not be documents subject to disclosure pursuant to the Colorado Open Records Act or City ordinance, and provided or made available to Contractor by the City. Such Proprietary Data may be in hardcopy, printed, digital or electronic format. The Contractor shall request written approval from the City prior to any Services using, transmitting, and maintaining City Data outside of the United States. Written approval for the transmission of Data outside of the United States must be signed by both the City’s Chief Information Officer and by the Auditor. The City may approve or deny such request within the City’s sole discretion.

For the purposes of this Agreement the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) “**City Data**” means all information, data, and records, regardless of form, created by or in any way originating with the City and all information that is the output of any computer processing or other electronic manipulation including all records relating to the City’s use of the Work. City Data also includes Confidential Information and Protected Information, as defined in this Agreement.
- (2) “**Confidential Information**” is described in subparagraph c below and

additionally means all information or data, regardless of form, not subject to disclosure under the Colorado Open Records Act, § 24-72-201, *et seq.*, C.R.S. (“CORA”), and is marked or identified at the time of disclosure as being confidential, proprietary, or its equivalent.

- (3) “**D(d)ata**” means information, regardless of form, that can be read, transmitted, or processed.
- (4) “**Protected Information**” means data, regardless of form, that has been designated as sensitive, private, proprietary, protected, or confidential by law, policy, or the City. Protected Information includes, but is not limited to, employment records, protected health information, student and education records, criminal justice information, personal financial records, research data, trade secrets, classified government information, other regulated data, and personally identifiable information as defined by §§ 24-73-101(4)(b) and 6-1-716(1)(g)(I)(A), C.R.S., as amended. Protected Information shall not include public records that by law must be made available to the public under CORA. To the extent there is any uncertainty as to whether data constitutes Protected Information, the data in question shall be treated as Protected Information until a determination is made by the City or an appropriate legal authority.

b. Use of Proprietary Data or Confidential Information:

(i) Except as expressly provided by the terms of this Agreement, Contractor agrees that it shall not disseminate, transmit, license, sublicense, assign, lease, release, publish, post on the internet, transfer, sell, permit access to, distribute, allow interactive rights to, or otherwise make available the Proprietary Data or Confidential Information or any part thereof to any other person, party or entity in any form of media for any purpose other than performing its obligations under this Agreement. Contractor further acknowledges that by providing this Proprietary Data or Confidential Information, the City is not granting to Contractor any right or license to use such data except as provided in this Agreement. Contractor further agrees not to disclose or distribute to any other party, in whole or in part, the Proprietary Data or confidential information without written authorization from the Auditor.

(ii) Contractor agrees, with respect to the Proprietary Data and Confidential Information, that: (1) Contractor shall not copy, recreate, reverse engineer or decompile such data, in whole or in part, unless authorized in writing by the Auditor; (2) Contractor shall retain no copies, recreations, compilations, or decompilations, in whole or in part, of such data; and (3) Contractor shall, upon the expiration or earlier termination of the Agreement, destroy (and, in writing, certify destruction) or return all such data or work products incorporating such data or information to the City except for copies in working paper files retained to comply with a Contractor's professional or legal obligations.

(iii) At its reasonable discretion, the City may prohibit the Contractor from the use of certain software programs, databases, and computing systems with known vulnerabilities to collect, use, process, store, or generate data and information received under this Agreement. After mutually agreeing to a corrective action plan or alternative solution, the Contractor shall fully comply with the agreed upon action plan, if any, associated with the use of software programs, databases, and computing systems as reasonably directed by the City. The Contractor shall not use funds paid by the City for the acquisition, operation, or maintenance of software in violation of any copyright laws or licensing restrictions. The Contractor shall maintain commercially reasonable network security that, at a minimum, includes network firewalls, intrusion detection/prevention, and enhancements or updates consistent with evolving industry standards. The Contractor shall use industry-standard and up-to-date security tools, technologies and procedures including, but not limited to, anti-virus and anti-malware protections. The Contractor shall ensure that any underlying or integrated software employed under this Agreement is updated on a regular basis and does not pose a security threat. The Contractor shall provide a software bill of materials ("SBOM") annually or upon major changes to the solution(s) provided to the City under this Agreement. The Contractor shall provide a complete SBOM for the supported life of the solution(s). The Contractor shall monitor for security vulnerabilities in applicable software components and use a risk-based approach to mitigate any vulnerabilities.

c. **Safeguarding City Confidential Information.** "Confidential Information" includes, but is not limited to, employment records, protected health information, student and education records, criminal justice information, personal financial records, research

data, trade secrets, classified government information, other regulated data, and personally identifiable information. Confidential Information also includes, without limitation, any information maintained by the City about an individual that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, including, but not limited to, first and last name, residence or other physical address, banking information, electronic mail address, telephone number, credit card information, an official government-issued driver's license or identification card number, social security number or tax identification number, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, or biometric records. Confidential Information includes, but is not limited to, all information defined as personally identifiable information in §§ 24-73-101, C.R.S. Confidential Information shall also include "personal information" as defined in § 24-73-103(1)(g), C.R.S. To the extent there is any uncertainty as to whether data constitutes Confidential Information, the data in question shall be treated as Confidential Information until a determination is made by the City or an appropriate legal authority. The Contractor shall only use, hold, and maintain Confidential Information in facilities located within the United States or located outside of the United States when approval has been provided by the City's Technology Services agency upon completion of required security reviews. Disclosure of Confidential Information does not include disclosure to a third party under circumstances where the City retains primary responsibility for implementing and maintaining reasonable security procedures and practices appropriate to the nature of the Confidential Information, and the City implements and maintains technical controls reasonably designed to safeguard Confidential Information from unauthorized access, modification, disclosure, or destruction or effectively eliminate the third party's ability to access Confidential Information, notwithstanding the third party's physical possession of Confidential Information. If the Contractor has been contracted to maintain, store, or process personal information on the City's behalf, the Contractor is a "Third-Party Service Provider" as defined by § 24-73-103(1)(i), C.R.S. and shall maintain security procedures and practices consistent with §§ 24-73-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S. In addition, as set forth in § 28-251, D.R.M.C., the Contractor, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's employees, agents, and Subcontractors, shall not collect or disseminate individually identifiable information about the national origin, immigration, or citizenship status of any person, over and above the extent to which the City is required to collect or

disseminate such information in accordance with any federal, state, or local law. This confidentiality provision does not prohibit Contractor from disclosing City's information to one or more of Contractor's affiliated companies in order to provide services that City has requested from Contractor or from any such affiliated company. Any such affiliated company shall be subject to the same restrictions on the use and disclosure of City's information as apply to Contractor. City also consents to Contractor's disclosure of information regarding the nature of services Contractor provides to City to another independent network member of CLA Global, for the limited purpose of complying with professional obligations regarding independence and conflicts of interest.

d. Data Retention, Transfer, Litigation Holds, and Destruction. Using appropriate and reliable storage media, the Contractor shall regularly backup data used in connection with this Agreement and retain such backup copies consistent with the City's data and record retention policies. All City Data shall be encrypted in transmission, including by web interface, and in storage by an agreed upon National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST") approved strong encryption method and standard. The Contractor shall not transfer or maintain data under this Agreement outside of the United States without the City's express written permission. Upon termination of this Agreement, the Contractor shall securely delete or securely transfer all data, including Protected Information, to the City in an industry standard format as directed by the City; however, this requirement shall not apply to the extent the Contractor is required by law to retain data, including Protected Information. Upon the City's request, the Contractor shall confirm, by providing a certificate, the data disposed of, the date disposed of, and the method of disposal. With respect to any data in the Contractor's exclusive custody, the City may request, at no additional cost to the City, that the Contractor preserve such data outside of record retention policies. The City will promptly coordinate with the Contractor regarding the preservation and disposition of any data and records relevant to any current or anticipated litigation, and the Contractor shall continue to preserve the records until further notice by the City. Unless otherwise required by law or regulation, when paper or electronic documents are no longer needed, the Contractor shall destroy or arrange for the destruction of such documents within its custody or control that contain Protected Information by shredding, erasing, or otherwise modifying the Protected

Information in the paper or electronic documents to make it unreadable or indecipherable. The Contractor and its third-party services providers must develop and maintain a written policy for the destruction of such records.

e. **Employees and Sub-contractors:** Contractor will inform its employees and officers of the obligations under this Agreement, and all requirements and obligations of Contractor under this Agreement shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. Contractor shall not disclose Proprietary Data or confidential information to subcontractors unless such subcontractors are bound by non-disclosure and confidentiality provisions at least as strict as those contained in this Agreement. If the Contractor engages a subcontractor under this Agreement, the Contractor shall impose data protection terms that provide at least the same level of data protection as in this Agreement and to the extent appropriate to the nature of the Work provided. The Contractor shall monitor the compliance with such obligations and remain responsible for its subcontractor's compliance with the obligations of this Agreement and for any of its subcontractors acts or omissions that cause the Contractor to breach any of its obligations under this Agreement. Unless the Contractor provides its own security protection for the information it discloses to a third party, the Contractor shall require the third party to implement and maintain reasonable security procedures and practices that are appropriate to the nature of the Protected Information disclosed and that are reasonably designed to protect it from unauthorized access, use, modification, disclosure, or destruction. Any term or condition within this Agreement relating to the protection and confidentiality of any disclosed data shall apply equally to both the Contractor and any of its subcontractors, agents, assigns, employees, or volunteers. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide the City copies of its record retention, data privacy, and information security policies unless they are confidential. The Contractor shall ensure all subcontractors sign, or have signed, agreements containing nondisclosure provisions at least as protective as those in this Agreement, and that the nondisclosure provisions are in force so long as the subcontractor has access to any data disclosed under this Agreement. Upon request, the Contractor shall provide copies of those signed nondisclosure agreements to the City.

f. Security Breach. If the Contractor becomes aware of a suspected or unauthorized acquisition or disclosure of unencrypted data, in any form, that compromises the security, access, confidentiality, or integrity of City Data, Protected Information, or other data maintained or provided by the City (“Security Breach”), the Contractor shall notify the City in the most expedient time and without unreasonable delay but no less than forty-eight (48) hours. A Security Breach shall also include, without limitation, (i) attempts to gain unauthorized access to a City system or City Data regardless of where such information is located; (ii) unwanted disruption or denial of service; (iii) the unauthorized use of a City system for the processing or storage of data; or (iv) changes to the City’s system hardware, firmware, or software characteristics without the City’s knowledge, instruction, or consent. Any oral notice of a Security Breach provided by the Contractor shall be immediately followed by a written notice to the City. The Contractor shall maintain documented policies and procedures for Security Breaches including reporting, notification, and mitigation.

g. Cooperation. The Contractor shall assist the City with its efforts regarding recovery, lawful notices, investigations, remediation, and the necessity to involve law enforcement, as determined by the City and as required by law. The Contractor shall preserve and provide all information relevant to the Security Breach to the City; provided, however, the Contractor shall not be obligated to disclose confidential business information or trade secrets. Unless the Contractor can establish that neither it nor any of its agents, employees, assigns, or subcontractors are the cause or source of the Security Breach, the Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City for all claims, including reasonable attorneys’ fees, costs, and expenses incidental thereto, which may be suffered by, accrued against, charged to, or recoverable from the City in connection with a Security Breach and any required lawful notices.

h. Reporting. The Contractor shall provide a written report to the City that identifies: (i) the nature of the unauthorized use or disclosure; (ii) the data used or disclosed; (iii) the parties responsible for the Security Breach (if known); (iv) what the Contractor has done or shall do to mitigate the effect of the Security Breach; and (v) what corrective action the Contractor has taken or shall take to prevent future Security Breaches. Except as expressly required by law, the Contractor will not disclose or otherwise provide

notice of the incident directly to any person, regulatory agencies, or other entities, without prior written permission from the City.

i. Costs. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, and in addition to any other remedies available to the City under law or equity, the Contractor will promptly reimburse the City in full for all costs incurred by the City in any investigation, remediation or litigation resulting from any Security Breach, including but not limited to providing notification to third parties whose data was compromised and to regulatory bodies, law-enforcement agencies, or other entities as required by law or contract; establishing and monitoring call center(s), and credit monitoring and/or identity restoration services to assist each person impacted by a Security Breach in such a fashion that, in the City's sole discretion, could lead to identity theft; and the payment of legal fees and expenses, audit costs, fines and penalties, and other fees imposed by regulatory agencies, courts of law, or contracting partners as a result of the Security Breach.

j. Remediation. After a Security Breach, the Contractor shall take steps to reduce the risk of incurring a similar type of Security Breach in the future as directed by the City, which may include, but is not limited to, developing and implementing a remediation plan that is approved by the City at no additional cost to the City. The City may adjust or direct modifications to this plan, and the Contractor shall make all reasonable modifications as directed by the City. The City may, in its sole discretion and at the Contractor's sole expense, require the Contractor to engage the services of an independent, qualified, City-approved third party to conduct a security audit. The Contractor shall provide the City with the results of such audit and evidence of the Contractor's planned remediation in response to any negative findings. Implementation of corrective actions to remedy the Security Breach and restore the City's access to the Work shall occur within five (5) calendar days of the date the Contractor becomes aware of any Security Breach.

j. Contractor's Workpapers. The workpapers and files supporting the services Contractor performs are the sole and exclusive property of Contractor and constitute confidential and proprietary information. Contractor does not provide access to its workpapers and files to City or anyone else in the normal course of business. Unless required by law or regulation to the contrary, Contractor retains our workpapers and files in accordance with our record retention policy that typically provides for a retention period

of seven years. After this period expires, Contractor's workpapers and files will be destroyed. Furthermore, physical deterioration or catastrophic events may shorten the time Contractor's records are available. The workpapers and files of Contractor are not a substitute for City's records. Pursuant to authority given by law, regulation or professional standards Contractor may be requested to make certain workpapers and files available to a regulator for its regulatory oversight purposes. Contractor will notify City of any such request, if permitted by law. Access to the requested workpapers and files will be provided to the regulator under the supervision of CLA personnel and at a location designated by Contractor. Furthermore, upon request, Contractor may provide copies of selected workpapers and files to such regulator. The regulator may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

31. CITY EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT: The Agreement will not be effective or binding on the City until it has been fully executed by all required signatories of the City and County of Denver, and if required by Charter, approved by the City Council.

32. AGREEMENT AS COMPLETE INTEGRATION-AMENDMENTS: The Agreement is the complete integration of all understandings between the parties as to the subject matter of the Agreement. No prior, contemporaneous or subsequent addition, deletion, or other modification has any force or effect, unless embodied in the Agreement in writing. No oral representation by any officer or employee of the City at variance with the terms of the Agreement or any written amendment to the Agreement will have any force or effect or bind the City.

33. USE, POSSESSION OR SALE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS: Contractor shall cooperate and comply with the provisions of Executive Order 94 and its Attachment A concerning the use, possession or sale of alcohol or drugs. Violation of these provisions or refusal to cooperate with implementation of the policy can result in contract personnel being barred from City facilities and from participating in City operations.

34. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES AND ELECTRONIC RECORDS: Contractor consents to the use of electronic signatures by the City. The Agreement, and any other documents requiring a signature under the Agreement, may be signed electronically by the City in the manner specified by the City. The Parties agree not to deny the legal effect or

enforceability of the Agreement solely because it is in electronic form or because an electronic record was used in its formation. The Parties agree not to object to the admissibility of the Agreement in the form of an electronic record, or a paper copy of an electronic document, or a paper copy of a document bearing an electronic signature, on the ground that it is an electronic record or electronic signature or that it is not in its original form or is not an original.

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Signatures follow.

Contract Control Number: AUDIT-202475685-00
Contractor Name: CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and affixed their seals at Denver, Colorado as of:

SEAL

CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER:

ATTEST:

By:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

REGISTERED AND COUNTERSIGNED:

Attorney for the City and County of Denver

By:

By:

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Contract Control Number:
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CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

By: Signed by:
Paul Niedermuller
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Name: Paul Niedermuller
(please print)

Title: Principal
(please print)

ATTEST: [if required]

By: _____

Name: _____
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Title: _____
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EXHIBIT A

(exhibit follows)



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP
<https://www.claconnect.com>

September 4, 2024

Statement of Work - Audit Services

This agreement constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated TBD, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and City and County of Denver ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended as shown on Exhibit B.

Paul Niedermuller is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

Scope of audit services

We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of City and County of Denver, and the related notes to the financial statements as of and for the year ended as shown on Exhibit B.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) provides for certain required supplementary information (RSI) to accompany the entity's basic financial statements.

The RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited.

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the following supplementary information other than RSI accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole:

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and combining and individual fund financial statements and schedules.

The following supplementary information accompanying the financial statements will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements and our auditors' report will not provide an opinion or any assurance on that information:

Introductory Section and Statistical Section.

Audit objectives

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error,

and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions about whether your basic financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS; the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express opinions and render the required reports.

We will perform procedures on the financial information of • Gateway Village General Improvement District • Denver 14th Street General Improvement District • RiNo General Improvement District • Cherry Creek North Business Improvement District • Colfax Business Improvement District • Downtown Denver Business Improvement District • Old South Gaylord Business Improvement District • West Colfax Business Improvement District • Federal Boulevard Business Improvement • Bluebird Business Improvement District • Colfax-Mayfair Business Improvement District • Five Points Business Improvement District • Santa Fe Business Improvement District • RiNo Business Improvement District • Caring for Denver Foundation • Prosperity Denver Fund • Denver Convention Center Hotel Authority • Denver Downtown Development Authority • Denver Preschool Program, Inc. • Denver Urban Renewal Authority • National Western Center Authority • Denver Employees Retirement Plan • Cherry Creek Subarea Business Improvement District • Deferred Compensation Plan Trust Fund, a fiduciary fund of the entity • Wastewater Management Enterprise Fund, an enterprise fund of the entity • Denver Municipal Airport System, an enterprise fund of the entity (or request other auditors to perform procedures on the financial

information of • Gateway Village General Improvement District • Denver 14th Street General Improvement District • RiNo General Improvement District • Cherry Creek North Business Improvement District • Colfax Business Improvement District • Downtown Denver Business Improvement District • Old South Gaylord Business Improvement District • West Calfax Business Improvement District • Federal Boulevard Business Improvement • Bluebird Business Improvement District • Colfax-Mayfair Business Improvement District • Five Points Business Improvement District • Santa Fe Business Improvement District • RiNo Business Improvement District • Caring for Denver Foundation • Prosperity Denver Fund • Denver Convention Center Hotel Authority • Denver Downtown Development Authority • Denver Preschool Program, Inc. • Denver Urban Renewal Authority • National Western Center Authority • Denver Employees Retirement Plan • Cherry Creek Subarea Business Improvement District • Deferred Compensation Plan Trust Fund, a fiduciary fund of the entity • Wastewater Management Enterprise Fund, an enterprise fund of the entity • Denver Municipal Airport System, an enterprise fund of the entity) to enable us to express our opinions.

We will apply certain limited procedures to the RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAS. However, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) other than RSI accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The objectives of our audit also include:

- Reporting on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and award agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Reporting on internal control over compliance related to major programs and expressing an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

The *Government Auditing Standards* report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The Uniform Guidance report on internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Both reports will state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose.

We will issue written reports upon completion of our audit of your financial statements and compliance with requirements applicable to major programs.

We will make reference to Forvis Mazars, Moss Adams LLP, Simmons & Wheeler, PC, Wipfli LLP, Dazzio & Associates, PC, Kunding Corder & Engle, PC, Olson, Reyes and Sauerwin LLC, John Cutler & Associates, RubinBrown, GC2 Professional Services, PC, Fiscal Focus Partners, LLC and UHY's audit of • Gateway Village General Improvement District • Denver 14th Street General Improvement District • RiNo General Improvement District • Cherry Creek North Business Improvement District • Colfax Business Improvement District • Downtown Denver Business Improvement District • Old South Gaylord Business Improvement District • West Calfax Business Improvement District • Federal Boulevard Business Improvement • Bluebird Business Improvement District • Colfax-Mayfair Business Improvement District • Five Points Business Improvement District • Santa Fe Business Improvement District • RiNo Business Improvement District • Caring for Denver Foundation • Prosperity Denver Fund • Denver Convention Center Hotel Authority • Denver Downtown Development Authority • Denver Preschool Program, Inc. • Denver Urban Renewal Authority • National Western Center Authority • Denver Employees Retirement Plan • Cherry Creek Subarea Business Improvement District • Deferred Compensation Plan Trust Fund, a fiduciary fund of the entity • Wastewater Management Enterprise Fund, an enterprise fund of the entity • Denver Municipal Airport System, an enterprise fund of the entity in our report on your financial statements.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the financial statements or compliance are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements or material noncompliance caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements or an opinion on compliance, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue reports, or withdrawing from the engagement.

Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS, the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement or a material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness

of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or on major programs. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. We will include such matters in the reports required for a single audit.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by the Uniform Guidance, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the

effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that may have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the "OMB Compliance Supplement" for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

We will evaluate the presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole. We will make certain inquiries of management and evaluate the form, content, and methods of preparing the schedule to determine whether the information complies with U.S. GAAP and the Uniform Guidance, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We will compare and reconcile the schedule to the underlying accounting records and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

Management responsibilities

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with

governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, RSI, and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Management is also responsible for identifying all federal awards received, understanding and complying with the compliance requirements, and for the preparation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date.

Management is responsible for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs. Your responsibilities also include identifying significant contractor relationships in which the contractor has responsibility for program compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control, including internal control over compliance, relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met; and that there is reasonable assurance that government programs are administered in compliance with compliance requirements.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected

noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered.

You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements; or abuse that we may report. Additionally, as required by the Uniform Guidance, it is management's responsibility to evaluate and monitor noncompliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards; take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified, including noncompliance identified in audit findings; and to follow up and take prompt corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings should be available for our review.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers), and for ensuring management information and financial information is reliable and properly reported; (2) access to personnel, accounts, books, records, supporting documentation, and other information as needed to perform an audit under the Uniform Guidance; (3) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (4) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for providing us with, or making arrangements to facilitate (1) unrestricted communication between us and the component auditor(s) to the extent permitted by law or regulation; (2) communications between the component auditor(s), those charged with governance of the component(s), and component management, including communications of significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control; (3) communications between regulatory authorities and the component(s) related to financial reporting matters; (4) access to component information, those charged with governance of the component(s), component management, and the component auditor(s) (including relevant audit documentation requested by us); and (5) permission to perform work, or request a component auditor to perform work, on the financial information of the component(s).

You agree to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is issued with our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (2) you believe the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those

used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of other supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit and the presentation of the basic financial statements and RSI. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's activities, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

Use of financial statements

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors'

report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document. The parties agree and recognize that the City shall post the final signed audit report as provided to the City under this Agreement on the City's website for public access and may refer persons to it.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed outside of the City.

Engagement administration and other matters

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

At the conclusion of the engagement, we will complete the auditor sections of the electronic Data Collection Form SF-SAC and perform the steps to certify the Form SF-SAC and single audit reporting package. It is management's responsibility to complete the auditee sections of the Data Collection Form. We will create the single audit reporting package PDF file for submission; however, it is management's responsibility to review for completeness and accuracy and electronically submit the reporting package (including financial

statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings, auditors' reports, and corrective action plan) along with the Data Collection Form to the federal audit clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be electronically submitted within the earlier of 30 calendar days after receipt of the auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The working papers for this engagement, exclusive of final audit reports, is the sole and exclusive property of CLA and constitutes confidential and proprietary information. However, subject to applicable laws and regulations, audit documentation and appropriate individuals will be made available upon request and in a timely manner to Colorado Office of the State Auditor, or its designee, a federal agency providing direct or indirect funding, or the U.S. Government Accountability Office for purposes of a quality review of the audit, to resolve audit findings, or to carry out oversight responsibilities. We will notify you of any such request. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies or electronic versions of selected audit documentation to the aforementioned parties. These parties may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies or information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by the Colorado Office of the State Auditor. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity.

Our annual audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that do not involve an annual audit report that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

Government Auditing Standards require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/.

Fees

Our professional fees will be billed based on the degree of responsibility and contribution of the professionals working on the engagement, as shown on Exhibit B to the Agreement. Our invoices,

including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

Unexpected circumstances

We will advise you within ten (10) business days of discovery of unexpected circumstances which could require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate. We recognize that no increase in fees is permissible without amendment to the Agreement.

Changes in accounting and audit standards

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work. We agree that no additional fee may be charged unless the Agreement is amended in writing.

Predecessor auditor communications

You agree to provide us permission to communicate with the predecessor auditor and to authorize the predecessor auditor to respond fully to our inquiries regarding any matters that will assist us in finalizing our engagement acceptance. You agree to authorize the predecessor to allow us to review their audit documentation, thereby providing us with information to assist us in planning and performing the engagement. You will be responsible for any fees billed by the predecessor auditor related to our review of their workpapers and our inquiries. You further acknowledge that we may terminate the engagement if we are unable to complete those inquiries and evaluation of the responses.

Agreement

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Response:

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of City and County of Denver.

CLA
CLA

Client
City and County of Denver

SIGN:

Niedermuller, Paul, Principal

SIGN:

TIMOTHY O'BRIEN, Denver Auditor

DATE:

DATE:

EXHIBIT B

(exhibit follows)



August 12, 2024

CLA's Total All Inclusive Maximum Price

City and County of Denver

RFP# AUD24-28

Prepared by:

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C. Dollar Cost Bid

Name of firm

CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen LLP)

Verification statement

I, Paul Niedermuller, your engagement principal, will serve as CCD’s primary contact person for this engagement. As a principal of CLA, I am authorized to sign, bind, and commit the firm to the obligations contained in this proposal and CCD’s RFP.

1. Total all-inclusive maximum price

Having upfront conversations builds relationships.

The value we can provide your organization starts with helping you uncover revenue opportunities and put dollars in your pocket. While we are addressing your compliance needs, our insights and strategies also represent a return on your investment.

Based on our understanding of your requirements, we propose the following fees:

Exhibit A					
Fees Schedule per Report per Year					
Total All-inclusive Maximum Price					
Report Name	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Annual Comprehensive Financial Report	\$500,063	\$515,038	\$530,477	\$546,389	\$562,786
Single Audit (assume 8 programs)	\$147,368	\$151,620	\$156,135	\$160,755	\$165,585
TOTAL ANNUAL FEE	\$647,431	\$666,658	\$686,612	\$707,144	\$728,371
% increase per year		3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%



Our total-all inclusive quote is designed with an understanding that:

- CCD personnel will provide documents and information requested in a timely fashion.
- The operations of your organization do not change significantly and do not include any future acquisitions or significant changes in your business operations.
- There are not significant changes to the scope, including no significant changes in auditing, accounting, or reporting requirements.
- It does not include the “consent and citation of expertise” and any necessary “comfort letters” associated with municipal bond offerings. The work requested will drive the fees but we expect the range of each issuance to be \$4,000-\$15,000 per issuance. It will be billed at the quoted hourly rates below and agreed to a not to exceed amount per to work being performed.
- All other items listed in Section II.E of the RFP under special considerations are included in the all-inclusive price listed above.

The 5% technology and client support fee supports our continuous investment in technology and innovation to enhance your experience and protect your data.

Fee increase

Our fees are based on professional standards and regulations currently in effect and barring any changes in the nature or requirements of the engagement, our annual fees will increase in accordance with the increases in our payroll and overhead costs. In addition, costs could increase due to substantial changes in your office locations, asset size and/or operational structure. If fee increases are expected outside of the ranges provided above, we would discuss with management prior to the completion of the work.

No surprises

Our clients don't like fee surprises. Neither do we. If changes occur, we will discuss a revised fee proposal with you before beginning any work. For any “out-of-scope” work, we will provide an estimate for your approval.

We're invested in our relationships and strongly encourage intentional and frequent communication. Contact us year-round as changes or questions arise — we do not bill for routine inquiries or advice.

We are committed to creating a long-standing relationship. If you have concerns about the fee structure, give us a call and let's discuss.

Terms of payment

Our invoices for these fees will be rendered each month as work progresses and are payable on presentation. In accordance with our firm policies, work may be suspended if your account becomes 60 days or more overdue and will not be resumed until your account is paid in full.

Transparent: Clear, authentic communication and market-based fees.



EXHIBIT C

(exhibit follows)



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)
8/27/2024

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

CERTIFICATE HOLDER **CANCELLATION**

The City and County of Denver 201 W Colfax Ave Denver CO 80202-5329	SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE
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CERTIFICATE HOLDER **CANCELLATION**

The City and County of Denver 201 W Colfax Ave Denver CO 80202-5329	<p>SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.</p> <p>AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE</p>
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