

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY – Jeep**

### **Background:**

In 2017 Denver Arts & Venues (DAV) issued an RFP for an automotive sponsor at Red Rocks Amphitheatre (Red Rocks). Universal McCann Worldwide (representing Jeep) was awarded a three-year contract THTRS-201839473, from 1/1/2018 – 12/31/2020. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, both DAV and the Contractor seek to adjust the contract to reflect mass gathering limitations that affected Sponsor benefits during 2020. During the course of the contract, Universal McCann was acquired by Starcom and the contract was assigned to Starcom.

Pursuant to the contract, the Sponsor is entitled to certain rights and benefits at Red Rocks including, but not limited to, signage, a vehicle display, an on-site presence, branded social media promotion and digital advertising. In return the Sponsor pays DAV fees in each of the contract years totaling \$643,155.

### **Current Request:**

Denver Arts & Venues is looking to amend the sponsorship contract with Starcom to reflect current circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- For much of 2020, performance venues have been closed and/or nearly vacant to ensure safety of patrons and staff pursuant to public health orders and social distancing mandates.
- The viability of both the Sponsors' and DAV's performance of the contract depends upon ticket sales for events occurring at Red Rocks that are close to or at full capacity.
- The amendment does not result in additional costs for the City.
- It is uncertain on what date performance venues in Denver will be able to resume normal activity levels.
- The ability to resume normal levels of activity Red Rocks rests on factors outside of the City's or Contractor's control.
- In consideration of the 2020 concert season, the amendment seeks to extend the contract by one year at a pro-rated sponsorship level.