# CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Authority Board Members** 

FROM:

Claude Miller

Director of Procurement

DATE:

October 27, 2015

RE:

Award of Contract for

Federal Advocacy Services

Contract No. 001121

In accordance with the Procurement Policy and Procedures for competitive sealed proposals, a Request for Proposals (RFP) from qualified firms to provide Federal Advocacy Services was advertised on August 16, 2015. Responses were received from two firms, Becker & Poliakoff, P.A. (Becker), and Alcalde & Fay (Alcalde), by the September 14, 2015, deadline. At its meeting on October 8, 2015, the Board directed that the evaluation process continue for the two firms.

The Evaluation Committee met on October 15, 2015, and conducted interviews with both firms. After the interviews were completed, the scoring of the Technical Proposals, including interviews, was finalized and resulted in the following ranking:

Ranking	<u>Firm</u>
1	Alcalde & Fay
2	Becker & Poliakoff, P.A.

Board award of the contract to Alcalde & Fay in the amount of \$210,000.00 for a three-year contract term is requested. Services provided under this contract will be task order driven based on negotiated amounts for each task.

#### **CONTRACT**

This Contract No. 001121 (the "Contract" as defined herein below), is made this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015, between the CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY, a body politic and agency of the State of Florida, hereinafter called "CFX" and ALCALDE & FAY, hereinafter the "CONSULTANT":

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, CFX was created by statute and is charged with acquiring, constructing, operating and maintaining a system of limited access roadways known as the Central Florida Expressway Authority System; and,

WHEREAS, CFX has been granted the power under Section 348.754(2)(m) of Florida Statutes, "to do all acts and things necessary or convenient for the conduct of its business and the general welfare of CFX, in order to carry out the powers granted to it (by state law);" and,

WHEREAS, CFX has determined that it is necessary and convenient in the conduct of its business to retain the services of a consultant to provide legislative advocacy and other services as may be assigned to the consultant by CFX; and,

WHEREAS, on or about August 16, 2015, CFX issued a Request for Proposals seeking qualified consultants to perform such tasks; and,

WHEREAS, CONSULTANT was the successful one of two (2) qualified firms that responded to the Request for Proposals and was ultimately selected;

**NOW THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual covenants and benefits set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which being hereby acknowledged by each party to the other, the parties hereto agree as follows:

## 1. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED

The CONSULTANT shall, for the consideration herein stated and at its cost and expense, do all the work and furnish all the materials, equipment, supplies and labor necessary to perform this Contract in the manner and to the full extent as set forth in the Contract Documents all of which are hereby adopted and made part of this Contract as completely as if incorporated herein. The Contract shall be performed and services provided to the satisfaction of the duly authorized representatives of CFX, who shall have at all times full opportunity to evaluate the services provided under this Contract.

The services to be provided under this Contract include providing legislative advocacy and other services as detailed in the Contract Documents and any amendments, supplements, or modifications thereto.

CFX does not guarantee that all of the services described in the Scope of Services will be assigned during the term of the Contract. Further, the CONSULTANT is providing these services on a non-exclusive basis. CFX, at its option, may elect to have any of the services set forth herein performed by other consultants or CFX staff.

The Contract Documents, in order of precedence, consist of:

- 1.1 The Contract, including insurance policies,
- 1.2 The Scope of Services,
- 1.3 The Method of Compensation,
- 1.4 The Technical Proposal submitted by CONSULTANT, and
- 1.5 The Price Proposal submitted by CONSULTANT,

(collectively, the "Contract").

#### 2. TERM AND NOTICE

The initial term of the Contract will be three (3) year from the date indicated in the Notice to Proceed from the CFX. There shall be two renewal options of one (1) year each. The options to renew are at the sole discretion and election of CFX. Renewals will be based, in part, on a determination by CFX that the value and level of service provided by the CONSULTANT are satisfactory and adequate for CFX's needs. If a renewal option is exercised, CFX will provide the CONSULTANT with written notice of its intent at least 90 days prior to the expiration of the initial three-year Contract Term and each renewal, if any.

CFX shall have the right to terminate or suspend the Contract, in whole or in part, at any time with 15 days notice for convenience or 30 days with cure notice for cause for CONSULTANT's material failure to perform the provisions of the Contract. Under no circumstances shall a properly noticed termination by CFX (with or without cause) constitute a default by CFX. In the event of a termination for convenience or without cause, CFX shall notify CONSULTANT (in writing) of such action with instructions as to the effective date of termination or suspension, in accordance with the time frames set forth hereinabove. CONSULTANT will be paid for all work performed prior to termination and any reasonable, documented, direct, normal, and ordinary termination expenses. CONSULTANT will not be paid for special, indirect, consequential, or undocumented termination expenses. Payment for work performed will be based on Contract prices, which prices are deemed to include profit and overhead. No profit or overhead will be allowed for work not performed, regardless of whether the termination is for cause.

If CONSULTANT: (i) fails to perform the Contract terms and conditions; (ii) fails to begin the work under the Contract within the time specified in the "Notice to Proceed"; (iii) fails to perform the work with sufficient personnel or with sufficient materials to assure the prompt

performance of the work items covered by the Contract; (iv) fails to comply with the Contract, or (v) performs unsuitably or unsatisfactorily in the opinion of CFX reasonably exercised, or for any other cause whatsoever, fails to carry on the work in an acceptable manner, CFX will give notice in writing to the CONSULTANT of such delay, neglect or default. If the Contract is declared in default, CFX may take over the work covered by the Contract.

If CONSULTANT (within the curative period, if any, described in the notice of default) does not correct the default, CFX will have the right to remove the work from CONSULTANT and to declare the Contract in default and terminated.

Upon declaration of default and termination of the Contract, CFX will have the right to appropriate or use any or all materials as CFX determines, and may retain others for the completion of the work under the Contract, or may use other methods which in the opinion of CFX are required for Contract completion. All costs and charges incurred by CFX because of, or related to, the CONSULTANT's default (including the costs of completing Contract performance) shall be charged against the CONSULTANT. If the expense of Contract completion exceeds the sum which would have been payable under the Contract, the CONSULTANT shall pay CFX the amount of the excess. If, after the default notice curative period has expired, but prior to any action by CFX to complete the work under the Contract, CONSULTANT demonstrates an intent and ability to cure the default in accordance with CFX's requirements, CFX may, but is not obligated to, permit CONSULTANT to resume work under the Contract. In such circumstances, any costs of CFX incurred by the delay (or from any reason attributable to the delay) will be deducted from any monies due or which may become due CONSULTANT under the Contract. Any such costs incurred by CFX which exceed the remaining amount due on the Contract shall be reimbursed to CFX by CONSULTANT. The financial obligations of this paragraph, as well as any other provision of the Contract which by its nature and context survives the expiration of earlier termination of the Contract, shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of the Contract.

CFX shall have no liability to CONSULTANT for expenses or profits related to unfinished work on a Contract terminated for default.

CFX reserves the right to terminate or cancel this Contract in the event the CONSULTANT shall be placed in either voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy or an assignment is made for the benefit of creditors. Such termination shall be deemed a termination for default.

## 3. CONTRACT AMOUNT AND COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES

- 3.1 The Contract Amount for the Contract term is \$210,000.00.
- 3.2 CFX agrees to pay CONSULTANT for services performed in accordance with the Method of Compensation.

## 4. AUDIT AND EXAMINATION OF RECORDS

#### 4.1 Definition of Records:

- (i) "Contract Records" shall include, but not be limited to, all information, communications and data, whether in writing or stored on a computer, computer disks, microfilm, writings, working papers, drafts, computer printouts, field notes, charts or any other data compilations, books of account, photographs, videotapes and audiotapes supporting documents, any other papers or preserved data in whatever form, related to the Contract or the CONSULTANT's performance of the Contract determined necessary or desirable by CFX for any purpose. Proposal Records shall include, but not be limited to, all information and data, whether in writing or stored on a computer, writings, working papers, computer printouts, charts or other data compilations that contain or reflect information, data or calculations used by CONSULTANT in determining labor, unit price, or any other component of a bid submitted to CFX.
- (ii) "Proposal Records" shall include, but not be limited to, any material relating to the determination or application of equipment rates, home and field overhead rates, related time schedules, labor rates, efficiency or productivity factors, arithmetic extensions, quotations from subconsultants, or material suppliers, profit contingencies and any manuals standard in the industry that may be used by CONSULTANT in determining a price.

CFX reserves and is granted the right (at any time and from time to time, for any reason whatsoever) to review, audit, copy, examine and investigate in any manner, any Contract Records (as herein defined) or Proposal Records (as hereinafter defined) of the CONSULTANT or any subconsultants. By submitting a response to the Request for Proposal, CONSULTANT or any subconsultant submits to and agree to comply with the provisions of this section.

If CFX requests access to or review of any Contract Documents or Proposal Records and CONSULTANT refuses such access or review, CONSULTANT shall be in default under its Contract with CFX, and such refusal shall, without any other or additional actions or omissions, constitute grounds for suspension or disqualification of CONSULTANT. These provisions shall not be limited in any manner by the existence of any CONSULTANT claims or pending litigation relating to the Contract. Disqualification or suspension of the CONSULTANT for failure to comply with this section shall also preclude the CONSULTANT from acting in the future as a subconsultant of another CONSULTANT doing work for CFX during the period of disqualification or suspension. Disqualification shall mean the CONSULTANT is not eligible for and shall be precluded from doing future work for CFX until reinstated by CFX.

Final Audit for Project Closeout: The CONSULTANT shall permit CFX, at CFX's option, to perform or have performed, an audit of the records of the CONSULTANT and any or all subconsultants to support the compensation paid the CONSULTANT. The audit will be performed as soon as practical after completion and acceptance of the contracted services. In the event funds paid to the CONSULTANT under the Contract are subsequently determined to have been inadvertently paid by CFX because of accounting errors or charges not in conformity with the Contract, the CONSULTANT agrees that such amounts are due to CFX upon demand. Final payment to the CONSULTANT shall be adjusted for audit results.

CONSULTANT shall preserve all Proposal Records and Contract Records for the entire term of the Contract and for a period of five (5) years after the later of: (i) final acceptance of the project by CFX, (ii) until all claims (if any) regarding the Contract are resolved, or (iii) expiration of the Proposal Records and Contract Records' status as public records, as and if applicable, under Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

## 5. MINORITY AND WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

CFX has adopted a program to provide opportunities for small business, including Minority Business Enterprises ("MBEs") and Women's Business Enterprises ("WBEs"). Under the CFX program, CONSULTANT is encouraged to grant small businesses the maximum opportunity to participate in the provision of the Services.

## 6. CONSULTANT INSURANCE

CONSULTANT shall deliver insurance certificates to CFX evidencing a renewal or new policy to take the place of the one expiring. Procurement of insurance shall not be construed to limit CONSULTANT's obligations or liabilities under the Contract. The requirement of insurance shall not be deemed a waiver of sovereign immunity by CFX.

Any insurance carried by CFX in addition to CONSULTANT's policies shall be excess insurance, not contributory.

If CONSULTANT fails to obtain the proper insurance policies or coverages, or fails to provide CFX with certificates of same, CFX may obtain such polices and coverages at CONSULTANT's expense and deduct such costs from CONSULTANT payments.

CONSULTANT, at its own expense, shall keep and maintain at all times during the term of this Agreement: (a) Professional Liability or Malpractice Insurance with coverage of at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence; and (b) Workers' Compensation Coverage as required by Florida law. CONSULTANT shall provide CFX with properly executed Certificate(s) of Insurance forms on all the policies of insurance and renewals thereof in a form(s) acceptable to CFX. CFX shall be notified in writing of any reduction, cancellation or substantial change of policy or policies at least thirty (30) days prior to the effective date of said action. All insurance policies shall be issued by responsible companies licensed and authorized to do business under the laws of the State of Florida and having a financial rating of at least B+ Class VI and a claims paying ability rating of at least A+ from Best, or equivalent ratings from another nationally recognized insurance rating service.

## 7. CONSULTANT RESPONSIBILITY

CONSULTANT shall comply with, and shall cause its employees, agents, officers and subconsultants and all other persons for whom CONSULTANT may be legally or contractually responsible to comply with, applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, orders of public authorities, sound business practices, including without limitation:

- (i) those relating to the safety of persons and property and their protection from damage, injury or loss, and
- (ii) all workplace laws, regulations, and posting requirements, and
- (iii) implementation of a drug-free workplace policy at least of a standard comparable to, and in compliance with, CFX's Drug-Free Workplace Policy; And
- (iv) compliance with the public records laws of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

#### 8. INDEMNITY

The CONSULTANT shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless CFX and all of its respective officers, CONSULTANT's or employees from actual suits, actions, claims, demands, costs as defined elsewhere herein, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees as defined elsewhere herein), judgments, liabilities of any nature whatsoever (collectively, "Claims") arising out of, because of, or due to breach of the Contract by the CONSULTANT (its subconsultants, officers, agents or employees) or due to any negligent or intentional act or occurrence of omission or commission of the CONSULTANT (its subconsultants, officers, agents or employees), including without limitation any misappropriation or violation of third party copyright, trademark, patent, trade secret, publicity, or other intellectual property rights or other third party rights of any kind by or arising out of any one or more of the following:

- 8.1 violation of same by CONSULTANT, its subconsultants, officers, agents or employees,
- 8.2 CFX's use or possession of the CONSULTANT Property or CONSULTANT Intellectual Property (as defined herein below),
- 8.3 CFX's full exercise of its rights under any license conveyed to it by CONSULTANT,
- 8.4 CONSULTANT's violation of the confidentiality and security requirements associated with CFX Property and CFX Intellectual Property (as defined herein below),
- 8.5 CONSULTANT's failure to include terms in its subcontracts as required by this Contract,
- 8.6 CONSULTANT's failure to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Contract by its employees, agents, officers, or subconsultants, or
- 8.7 CONSULTANT's breach of any of the warranties or representations contained in this Contract.

CONSULTANT will not be liable for damages arising out of injury or damage to persons or property directly caused or resulting from the sole negligence of CFX or any of its officers, agents or employees. The parties agree that 1% of the total compensation to the CONSULTANT for performance of each task authorized under the Contract is the specific consideration from CFX to CONSULTANT for CONSULTANT's indemnity and the parties further agree that the 1% is included in the amount negotiated for each authorized task.

## 9. PUBLIC RECORDS

Upon receipt of any request by a member of the public for any documents, papers, letters, or other material subject to the provisions of Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, made or received by CONSULTANT in conjunction with this Contract (including without limitation CONSULTANT Records and Proposal Records, if and as applicable), CONSULTANT shall immediately notify the CFX. Thereafter, CONSULTANT shall follow CFX'S instructions with regard to such request. To the extent that such request seeks non-exempt public records, the CFX shall direct CONSULTANT to provide such records for inspection and copying incompliance with Chapter 119. A subsequent refusal or failure by CONSULTANT to timely grant such public access will be grounds for immediate, unilateral cancellation of the Contract by CFX.

#### 10. PRESS RELEASES

CONSULTANT shall make no statements, press releases or publicity releases concerning the Contract or its subject matter, or otherwise disclose or permit to be disclosed any of the data or other information obtained or furnished under the Contract, or any particulars thereof, including without limitation CFX Property and CFX Intellectual Property, without first notifying CFX and securing its consent in writing.

## 11. OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

CFX is and shall be and remain the sole owner of all rights, title, and interest in, to, and associated with all plans, documents, software in all forms, hardware, programs, procedures, specifications, drawings, brochures pamphlets, manuals, flyers, models, photographic or design images, negatives, videos and film, tapes, work product, information, data and other items (all whether in preliminary, draft, master, final, paper, electronic, or other form), along with the media on which they reside and with which they interface for function or aesthetics, that are generated or developed with respect to and in connection with this Contract and the performance thereof (collectively, the "CFX Property"). CFX's ownership of the CFX Property includes without limitation all common law, statutory and other rights, title, and interest in, to, and associated with trademark, service mark, copyright, patent, trade secret, and publicity (collectively, the "CFX Intellectual Property"). CONSULTANT, its employees, agents, officers, and subconsultants acknowledge that E-PASS® is CFX's registered trademark name for the CFX's electronic toll collection system, and comprises a portion of the CFX Intellectual Property.

CONSULTANT, its employees, agents, officers, and subconsultants may not use the CFX Property or CFX Intellectual Property in any way, other than in performance of its services under the terms of this Contract, without the prior written consent of CFX, which may be granted or denied in the CFX's sole discretion. CONSULTANT, its employees, agents, officers, and subconsultants' access to and/or use of the CFX Property and CFX Intellectual Property is without any warranty or representation by CFX regarding same.

For all materials listed hereinabove that are not generated or developed under this Contract or performance hereof, but rather are brought in, provided, or installed by CONSULTANT (collectively, the "CONSULTANT Property"), and the intellectual property rights associated therewith (collectively, the "CONSULTANT Intellectual Property"), CONSULTANT (its employees, officers, agents, and subconsultants, which for purposes of this section shall collectively be referred to as "CONSULTANT") warrants and represents the following:

- 11.1 CONSULTANT was and is the sole owner of all right, title and interest in and to all CONSULTANT Property and CONSULTANT Intellectual Property; **OR**
- 11.2 CONSULTANT has obtained, and was and is the sole holder of one or more freely assignable, transferable, non-exclusive licenses in and to the CONSULTANT Property and CONSULTANT Intellectual Property, as necessary to provide and install the CONSULTANT Property and/or to assign or grant corresponding to CFX all licenses necessary for the full performance of this Contract; and that the CONSULTANT is current and will remain current on all royalty payments due and payable under any license where CONSULTANT is licensee; **AND**
- 11.3 CONSULTANT has not conveyed, and will not convey, any assignment, security interest, exclusive license, or other right, title, or interest that would interfere in any way with the CFX's use of the CONSULTANT Property or any license granted to CFX for use of the CONSULTANT Intellectual Property rights; **AND**
- 11.4 Subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes (Florida Public Records Act), CONSULTANT shall maintain the CFX Property and CFX Intellectual Property in strictest confidence and may not transfer, disclose, duplicate, or otherwise use the CFX Property or CFX Intellectual Property in any way, other than in performance of its services under the terms of this Contract, without the prior written consent of CFX, which may be granted or denied in the CFX's sole discretion. CONSULTANT shall not publish, copyright, trademark, service mark, patent, or claim trade secret, publicity, or other rights of any kind in any of the Property. In ensuring the confidentiality and security of the CFX Property and CFX Intellectual Property, CONSULTANT shall utilize the same standards of protection and confidentiality that CONSULTANT uses to protect its own property and confidential information, but in no instance less than reasonable care plus the standards set forth anywhere in this Contract.

CONSULTANT further warrants and represents that there are no pending, threatened, or anticipated Claims against CONSULTANT, its employees, officers, agents, or subconsultants with respect to the CONSULTANT Property or CONSULTANT Intellectual Property.

The provisions of this Section shall survive the term of this Contract for the longer of:

- 11.5 The statute of limitations on any action arising out of either party's conduct relating to this section, whether such action may be brought by CFX, CONSULTANT, or a third party; or
- 11.6 CFX's continued use (notwithstanding any temporary suspension of use) of any CONSULTANT Property or CONSULTANT Intellectual Property; **and**
- 11.7 Notwithstanding sections 11.5 and 11.6, the confidentiality and security provisions contained herein shall survive the term of this Contract for ten (10) years beyond 11.5 and 11.6.

## 12. PERMITS, LICENSES, ETC.

Throughout the Term of the Contract, the CONSULTANT shall procure and maintain, at its sole expense, all permits and licenses that may be required in connection with the performance of Services by CONSULTANT; shall pay all charges, fees, royalties, and taxes; and shall give all notices necessary and incidental to the due and lawful prosecution of the Services. Copies of required permits and licenses shall be furnished to CFX upon request.

## 13. CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

CONSULTANT warrants that it has not employed or retained any entity or person, other than a bona fide employee working solely for the CONSULTANT, to solicit or secure this Contract, and that CONSULTANT has not paid or agreed to pay any person, company, corporation, individual or firm any fee, commission, percentage, gift or any other consideration, contingent upon or resulting from the award or making of this Contract. It is understood and agreed that the term "fee" shall also include brokerage fee, however denoted.

CONSULTANT acknowledges that CFX officials and employees are prohibited from soliciting and accepting funds or gifts from any person who has, maintains, or seeks business relations with the CFX in accordance with the CFX's Ethics Policy. CONSULTANT acknowledges that it has read the Ethics Policy and, to the extent applicable, CONSULTANT will comply with the aforesaid Ethics Policy in connection with performance of the Contract.

In the performance of the Contract, CONSULTANT shall comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations and obtain all permits necessary to provide the Contract services.

CONSULTANT covenants and agrees that it and its employees, officers, agents, and subconsultants shall be bound by the standards of conduct provided in Florida Statutes 112.313 as it relates to work performed under this Contract, which standards will be reference be made a part of this Contract as though set forth in full.

## 14. NONDISCRIMINATION

CONSULTANT, its employees, officers, agents, and subconsultants shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or other protected class, in the performance of work or selection of personnel under this Contract.

#### 15. SUBLETTING AND ASSIGNMENT

CFX has selected CONSULTANT to perform the Services based upon characteristics and qualifications of CONSULTANT and its employees. Therefore, CONSULTANT shall not sublet, sell, transfer, assign, delegate, subcontract, or otherwise dispose of this Contract or any portion thereof, or of the CONSULTANT's right, title, or interest therein without the written consent of the CFX, which may be withheld in CFX's sole and absolute discretion. Any attempt by CONSULTANT to dispose of this Contract as described above, in part or in whole, without CFX's written consent shall be null and void and shall, at CFX's option, constitute a default under the Contract.

If, during the term of the Contract, CONSULTANT desires to subcontract any portion(s) of the work to a subconsultant that was not disclosed by the CONSULTANT to CFX at the time that the Contract was originally awarded, and such subcontract would, standing alone or aggregated with prior subcontracts awarded to the proposed subconsultant, equal or exceed twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), the CONSULTANT shall first submit a request to the CFX Director of Procurement for authorization to enter into such subcontract. Except in the case of an emergency, as determined by the Executive Director or her/his designee, no such subcontract shall be executed by the CONSULTANT until it has been approved by the CFX Board. In the event of a designated emergency, the CONSULTANT may enter into such a subcontract with the prior written approval of the Executive Director or her/his designee, but such subcontract shall contain a provision that provides that it shall be automatically terminated if not approved by the CFX Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

#### 16. DISPUTES

All services shall be performed by the CONSULTANT to the reasonable satisfaction of the CFX Executive Director (or her/his delegate), who shall decide all questions, difficulties and disputes of any nature whatsoever that may arise under or by reason of this Contract, the prosecution and fulfillment of the services described and the character, quality, amount and value thereof. The Executive Director's decision upon all claims, questions and disputes shall be final agency action. Adjustments of compensation and Contract time, because of any major changes in the work that may become necessary or desirable as the work progresses shall be left to the absolute discretion of the Executive Director (and the CFX Board if amendments are required) and supplemental agreement(s) of such nature as required may be entered into by the parties in accordance herewith.

#### 17. PREVAILING PARTY ATTORNEY'S FEES

If any contested claim arises hereunder or relating to the Contract (or CONSULTANT's work hereunder), and either party engages legal counsel, the prevailing party in such dispute, as "prevailing party" is hereinafter defined, shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs as defined herein, from the non-prevailing party.

In order for CONSULTANT to be the prevailing party, CONSULTANT must receive an adjusted judgment or adjusted award equal to at least eighty percent (80%) of its contested claims filed with CFX, failing which CFX will be deemed the prevailing party for purposes of this Contract.

Should this section be judged void, unenforceable or illegal, in whole or in substantial part, by a court of competent jurisdiction, this section shall be void in its entirety and each party shall bear its own attorneys' fees and costs.

#### 18. OTHER SEVERABILITY

If any section of this Contract, other than the immediately preceding Prevailing Party Attorneys' Fees section, be judged void, unenforceable or illegal, then the illegal provision shall be, if at all possible, interpreted or re-drafted into a valid, enforceable, legal provision as close to the parties' original intention, and the remaining portions of the Contract shall remain in full force and effect and shall be enforced and interpreted as closely as possible to the parties' intention for the whole of the Contract.

#### 19. GOVERNING LAW

This Contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Florida. Venue of any legal or administrative proceedings arising out of this Contract shall be exclusively in Orange County, Florida.

In consideration of the foregoing premises, CFX agrees to pay CONSULTANT for work performed and materials furnished at the prices submitted with the Proposal.

#### 20. RELATIONSHIPS

CONSULTANT acknowledges that no employment relationship exists between AUTHORITY and CONSULTANT or CONSULTANT's employees. CONSULTANT shall be responsible for all direction and control of its employees and payment of all wages and salaries and other amounts due its employees. CONSULTANT shall be responsible for all reports and obligations respecting such employees, including without limitation social security tax and income tax withholding, unemployment compensation, workers compensation, and employment benefits.

CONSULTANT's employees or any legal tribunal or regulatory agency to believe or conclude that CONSULTANT's employees would be employees of CFX.

Any approval by CFX of a subcontract or other matter herein requiring CFX approval for its occurrence shall not be deemed a warranty or endorsement of any kind by CFX of such subcontract, subconsultant, or matter.

#### 21. INTERPRETATION

For purposes of this Contract, the singular shall include the plural, and the plural shall include the singular, unless the context clearly requires otherwise. Except for reference to women's business enterprises and matters relating thereto, reference to one gender shall include all genders. Reference to statutes or regulations include all statutory or regulatory provisions consolidating, amending, or replacing the stated statute or regulation. Words not otherwise defined and that have well-known technical, industry, or legal meanings, are used in accordance with such recognized meanings, in the order stated. References to persons include their respective permitted successors and assigns and, in the case of governmental persons, persons succeeding to their respective functions and capacities. If CONSULTANT discovers any material discrepancy, deficiency, or ambiguity in this Contract, or is otherwise in doubt as to the meaning of any provision of the Contract, CONSULTANT may immediately notify CFX and request clarification of CFX's interpretation of the Contract. The Contract Documents, together with and including all exhibits, comprise the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes and nullifies all prior and contemporaneous negotiations, representations, understandings, and agreements, whether written or oral, with respect to the subject matter hereof.

## 21. WAGE RATES AND TRUTH-IN-NEGOTIATIONS CERTIFICATE

The CONSULTANT hereby certifies, covenants and warrants that wage rates and other factual unit costs as shown in attached documentation supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current as of the date of this Contract. It is further agreed that said price shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums where CFX shall determine the price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or non-current wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such adjustments shall be made within one year following the date of final billing or acceptance of the work by CFX, whichever is later.

## 22. SURVIVAL OF EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION

Any clause, sentence, paragraph, or section providing for, discussing or relating to any of the following shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of the Contract:

- 22.1 Trademarks, service marks, patents, trade secrets, copyrights, publicity, or other intellectual property rights, and terms relating to the ownership, security, protection, or confidentiality thereof; and
- 22.2 Payment to CONSULTANT for satisfactory work performed or for termination expenses, if applicable; and

- 22.3 Prohibition on non-competition agreements of CONSULTANT's employees with respect to any successor of CONSULTANT; and
  - 22.4 Obligations upon expiration or termination of the Contract; and
- 22.5 Any other term or terms of this Contract which by their nature or context necessarily survive the expiration or earlier termination of the Contract for their fulfillment.

## 23. OBLIGATIONS UPON EXPIRATION OR TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

- 23.1 Immediately upon expiration or termination of this Contract CONSULTANT shall submit to CFX, upon request, a report containing the last known contact information for each subconsultant or employee of CONSULTANT who performed work under the Contract; and
- 23.2 CONSULTANT shall initiate settlement of all outstanding liabilities and claims, if any, arising out of the Contract and any subcontracts or vending agreements to be canceled. All settlements shall be subject to the approval of CFX.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized signatures named below have executed this Contract on behalf of the parties as of the day and year first above written. This Contract was awarded by the CFX Board of Directors at its meeting on November 12, 2015.

## CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

By:	
Director of Procurement	
Print Name:	
ALCALDE & FAY	
By:	
By:Signature	
Print Name	
Title	
ATTEST:	(Seal)
DATE:	
Approved as to form and execution, only.	
rapproved as to form and execution, only.	
General Counsel for the CFX	