

**GENERAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT
(Calendar Year 2025)**

THIS AGREEMENT dated this ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between Boone County Regional Sewer District, a public sewer district organized under Chapter 204 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, (herein "Owner") and Bartlett & West, Inc. (herein "Consultant").

IN CONSIDERATION OF the performance of the services rendered under this Agreement and payment for such services, the parties agree to the following:

1. **Services** - As authorized by the Owner in writing, the Consultant shall provide the Owner all engineering, surveying, and other professional services for the benefit of the Owner as prescribed by the Owner based upon requests for proposals for projects or work assigned during the term of this agreement and the Consultant shall provide the Owner, as applicable, with the services, reports, studies, surveys, plans, specifications, and other work required by the Owner's request for services or proposal. Consultant agrees to provide all such services in a timely manner as established by the Owner in writing for all assigned work or each assigned project, or in the absence of the designation, within a reasonable time after receipt of Owner directives. Consultant agrees to provide services by and through qualified personnel under standards and conditions generally accepted by professionals in the field or occupations for which services are provided. Services shall be provided based only upon requests for services or proposals provided to the Consultant by the Owner or Owner's representative and to which the Consultant prepares and submits a written proposal for services which is approved by the Owner in writing. No work shall be performed nor shall compensation be paid for Consultant work performed without an Owner approved written proposal for professional services. Proposals for services shall be in written form, as required by the request for services or proposal, and shall be specifically responsive to the criteria provided by the Owner in its request for services or proposal. All work performed by the Consultant, based upon Owner approved proposals submitted by the Consultant, shall be subject to the terms and conditions of this agreement unless otherwise specifically agreed upon by the Owner and Consultant in writing. All proposals for work submitted by the Consultant to the Owner for work shall at a minimum contain the following:

1.1 **Scope of Services** - Each proposal for services shall contain a detailed description of work to be performed by the Consultant. When the Owner provides the Consultant with a written and/or graphic request for proposal, the Consultant's proposal shall be responsive to the request with the same or greater level of specificity required by the request for proposal. The Consultant shall specifically identify services which are included as basic services and those services which are excluded from basic services in the proposal. Services which the Consultant does not identify as excluded from basic services under the proposal and which are necessary for successful completion of the work in the judgment of the Owner shall be presumed to be a part of basic services under the proposal. If a request for proposal requires the Consultant to provide optional services, the Consultant's proposal shall respond to the options requested, or provide reasons why the Consultant cannot provide or respond to the request for optional services.

1.2 **Time for Completion** - Each proposal for services shall contain a detailed description of the estimated time to complete each task or item of work to be performed by the Consultant under the proposal. When the Owner provides the Consultant with a written and/or graphic request for proposal, the Consultant's proposal shall be responsive to any request for estimated or maximum completion times for work with the same or greater level of specificity required by the request for proposal.

1.3 **Proposal for Compensation** - Each proposal for services shall state the basis of compensation on either: (1) an hourly fee plus expense basis with a statement of a maximum compensation to be charged, or, (2) a lump sum payment of compensation for all work to be performed, or, (3) a payment based upon unit prices. Proposals for compensation for an hourly fee plus expense basis shall provide detailed time and expense estimates to support a maximum contract amount to be charged and shall be consistent with the hourly rates, unit prices and reimbursement rates made a part of this agreement by reference in paragraph two (2) below. When the Owner or Owner's representative requests the Consultant to provide work on an hourly fee plus expense basis, the Consultant's proposal shall be responsive to the request and shall not propose payment on another basis unless otherwise authorized by the Owner in writing. Unit price proposals shall identify and estimate the quantity of units as a part of the proposal when they can be identified and estimated, or as necessary in response to a particular request for proposal requesting such information. Each proposal for services shall also state a proposed payment schedule at a frequency no greater than monthly in such amounts as are consistent with amount of work to be performed and billed. Reimbursable expenses proposed shall be specifically identified and estimated as a part of the proposal with a statement of the maximum amount to be charged unless the Owner's request for proposal specifies otherwise.

1.4 **Signatures** - Consultant proposals for services under this agreement shall be signed and dated by the Consultant or an authorized representative of the Consultant (as applicable), and shall be considered binding offers to contract open for acceptance by the Owner for an indefinite duration unless limited in the proposal or withdrawn prior to acceptance by the Owner. All proposals for services under this agreement shall be on forms approved by the Owner; use of the signature block shown in this agreement on a proposal for services shall be considered an adequate signature block. In the absence of an Owner provided form, the signature block shall contain a signature line for the Consultant. In addition, the signature block shall contain a line for insertion of the date the proposal is approved by the Owner.

2. **Compensation to Consultant** - In consideration for the Consultant's provision of services under this agreement, the Owner agrees to compensate the Consultant for services rendered in accordance with the hourly rates, unit prices and reimbursement rates for expenses set forth in the schedule for hourly rates and expense charges to be in effect for the calendar year of this agreement which is either attached to this agreement or maintained on file with the Boone County Regional Sewer District and is hereby incorporated by reference. No increases in the rates and charges set forth in the attached schedule shall be permitted for this calendar year without the written authorization of the Owner. Payments shall be made within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice by the Owner. Invoices shall be submitted periodically as mutually agreed upon by the Owner and Consultant, or in the absence of such agreement, upon completion of the

work constituting the task or project for which services are provided. Invoices for services on an hourly fee plus expense basis shall individually describe the task or project by name, show hours expended by classes of personnel in increments of not less than one-half hour and rates applied, as well as describe work performed during the invoice period; reimbursable expenses shall be itemized. Invoices for services performed on a unit price basis shall identify the task or project by name, identify and quantify units charged for services during the invoice period. Invoices for services on a lump sum basis shall identify the task or project by name and the invoiced amount. Periodic invoices shall not exceed the amounts permitted in the Consultant's proposal approved by the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to withhold payment for inadequately documented invoices until documented as required herein. The Owner further reserves the right to withhold payments for unperformed work or work not performed on a timely basis in accordance with the Consultant's proposal when delays in performance of services are not attributable to the Owner, or as a result of a billing dispute between the Owner and Consultant. However, Owner agrees to pay interest at a rate of nine percent (9%) annum on any disputed billed amounts for which payments are withheld beyond thirty (30) days of invoice if and to the extent that those disputed amounts are resolved in favor of the Consultant.

3. **Owner Responsibilities** - Owner agrees to furnish Consultant with all current and available information for each task or project assigned to Consultant, along with any information necessitated by changes in work or services initiated by the Owner which may affect services rendered thereunder.

4. **Coordination of Work and Work Product** - Consultant shall coordinate all work with the Owner's designated representative for each task or project assigned to Consultant and submit to the Owner's representative all work product in written or graphic form (and in electronic form if requested) as applicable or required. All reports, surveys, test data, memoranda, samples, plans, specifications, and other documents or materials submitted by or to the Owner shall be considered the property of the Owner. When available and requested by the Owner, work product shall be provided in electronic form at actual cost in media compatible for use with Owner software and equipment.

5. **Insurance** - Consultant shall procure and maintain professional liability insurance in such amounts as are deemed mutually agreeable to the parties and approved by the Owner in writing within thirty (30) days of this Agreement. Consultant shall also maintain general public liability insurance with coverage no less than \$3,448,710.00 per occurrence, and worker's compensation insurance as required by state law. Failure of Consultant to obtain or maintain such insurance during this contract, or to provide proper proofs thereof upon request of the Owner, shall not diminish, waive or otherwise reduce the Consultant's obligations to maintain such insurance coverage and Consultant shall indemnify and hold the Owner and all its personnel harmless from and against any and all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation costs, arising out of or resulting from the performance of services, provided that any such claim, damage, loss or expenses, is caused by the negligent act, omission and / or liability of the Consultant, its agents or employees. The Consultant shall provide the Owner with certificates of insurance exhibiting the coverage as specified above within thirty (30) days of execution of this agreement and thereafter within five (5) working days after request by the Owner. All certificates of insurance shall contain provision that insurance provided shall not be canceled or altered except upon ten (10) days written notice to the Owner.

6. **Delegation and Subcontracting** - Unless otherwise proposed and approved in

the Consultant's proposal for services, the Consultant shall not delegate or subcontract any work to be performed by the Consultant under this agreement to any other person, business or entity without the express advance written approval of the Owner for such delegation or subcontract work.

7. **Records and Samples** - To the extent not otherwise transferred to the Owner's possession, Consultant agrees to retain and provide the Owner with reasonable access to all work product, records, papers and other documents involving transactions and work related to or performed under this agreement for a period of three (3) years after this agreement expires. When services involve testing or sampling, Consultant agrees to either retain all test products or samples collected by or submitted to Consultant, or return same to the Owner as mutually agreed upon. In absence of agreement, Consultant shall not dispose of test samples or products without notice to or consent by the Owner or the Owner's representative.

8. **Additional Services** - No compensation shall be paid for any service rendered by the Consultant considered an additional service beyond the scope of services approved by the Owner unless rendition of that service and expense thereof has been authorized in writing by the Owner in advance of performance of such service. Any additional services performed by the Consultant prior to such authorization by the Owner shall be deemed a part of basic services for work performed under an Owner approved proposal for services governed by this agreement, whether enumerated in this agreement or not, for which the Consultant shall be entitled to no additional compensation.

9. **Owner Authorization** - When the term Owner is used in this agreement, it shall mean Boone County Regional Sewer District, a public sewer district organized under Chapter 204 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri. Authorization by the Owner shall mean authorization obtained in writing from Boone County Regional Sewer District. It is further understood and agreed that no person or party is authorized to bind the Owner to any proposed agreement for services under the auspices of this agreement without having obtained the prior written approval of Boone County Regional Sewer District for such authorization. In this regard, it is understood and agreed that the Consultant shall not be entitled to rely upon verbal or written representations by any agent or employee of the Owner in deviation to the terms and conditions of this agreement, or as authorization for compensation for services, except as may be approved by Boone County Regional Sewer District. When the term Owner's representative is used, it shall mean the Executive Director of the Boone County Regional Sewer District or his/her designee as specified in writing, or another representative specifically authorized by the Boone County Regional Sewer District Board of Trustees. It shall be presumed that such representative shall have all necessary decision making authority with respect to services provided under this agreement and Owner approved proposals for services except such representative shall have no authority to make decisions concerning changes to the Consultant's compensation or reimbursement, or with respect to services to be performed under this agreement or Owner approved proposal for services which involve or affect cost, expense or budgetary allowances.

10. **Termination** - The Owner or the Owner's Representative on behalf of the Owner may and reserves the right to terminate this agreement at any time with or without cause by giving the Consultant written notice of termination. Upon receipt of such notice, Consultant shall discontinue all services in connection with the performance of services authorized under this agreement or Owner approved proposal for services and Owner shall upon invoice remit payment for all authorized services completed up to the date of termination notice. Upon payment of this invoice, the Consultant shall deliver any and all work product including drawings, plans, and specifications, or other documents, prepared as instruments of service, whether complete or in progress. It is further agreed that if services are terminated the Consultant shall be compensated for all services rendered through the date of termination not to exceed the amount authorized for services through the date of termination. If the Owner questions the extent of work on a final invoice, the Consultant shall give the Owner the opportunity to review and evaluate all work upon which the invoice is based in the offices of the Consultant prior to payment. This agreement or work performed under the provisions of this agreement may also be terminated by the Consultant upon not less than seven days written notice in the event the Owner shall substantially fail to perform in accordance with the terms and conditions of this agreement, through no fault of the Consultant. In the event of termination by the Consultant, the other provisions concerning termination contained in this paragraph shall be applicable.

11. **Governing Law** - This agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Missouri and it is agreed that this agreement is made in Boone County, Missouri and that Boone County, Missouri is proper venue for any action pertaining to the interpretation or enforcement of any provision within or services performed under this agreement.

12. **Miscellaneous** - This agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties superseding all prior negotiations, written or verbal, and may only be amended by signed writing executed by the parties through their authorized representatives hereunder.

13. **Duration of Agreement** - This agreement shall be in effect for the calendar year for which it is made and may be terminated in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this agreement by their duly authorized signatories effective the date and year first-above written.

BARTLETT & WEST, INC.

BOONE COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

By: _____
Title: _____
Dated: _____

By: _____
Title: Project Manager
Dated: _____

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

ATTEST:

General Counsel, BCRSD

Assistant Secretary, Board of Trustees