

## **SECTION 00700 - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

### **1.0 GENERAL**

#### **1.1 Intent Of Contract Documents**

The intent of the Plans and Specifications is to describe the details for the construction and completion of the Work which the Contractor undertakes to perform in accordance with the terms of the Contract. Plans and Specifications are divided into groups for the convenience of the City, Design Consultant, and Construction Manager. These divisions are not for the purpose of apportioning work or responsibility for work among subcontractors, suppliers, and manufacturers.

Where the Plans or Specifications describe portions of the Work in general terms but not in complete detail, it is understood that only the best general practice is to prevail and that only materials and workmanship of the first quality are to be used. Unless otherwise specified, the Contractor shall furnish tools, equipment, and incidentals, and do all the work involved in executing the Contract in a satisfactory and workmanlike manner.

Unless specifically noted otherwise, all sections of the Specifications and the Plans shall be complementary and applicable to each other.

In the event the materials and/or equipment are to be furnished by the City, as designated in the General Requirements or as agreed on, this shall not relieve the Contractor of the above requirements to furnish all other labor, materials, and equipment to complete the Contract.

Words and abbreviations which have well known technical or trade meaning are used in the Contract Documents in accordance with such recognized meanings. For the definition of terms and abbreviations used in these Contract Documents see Section 01090, REFERENCES.

#### **1.2 Discrepancies and Omissions**

Any discrepancies or omissions found in the Contract Documents shall be reported to the Construction Manager immediately. The Construction Manager will clarify discrepancies or omissions, in writing, within a reasonable time.

In resolving inconsistencies among two or more sections of the Contract Documents, precedence shall be given in the following order:

- a. Contract
  1. Agreement
  2. Permits
  3. Change Orders
- b. General Requirements
- c. Supplementary Conditions
- d. Instructions to Bidders
- e. General Conditions

- f. Technical Specifications
- g. Project Plans
- h. Reference Specifications
- i. Reference Standard Plans

### **1.3 Headings**

Headings to parts, divisions, sections, articles, paragraphs, subparagraphs, and forms are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of the Contract Documents.

### **1.4 Penalty for Collusion**

If, at any time, it is found that the person, firm, or corporation to whom the Contract has been awarded has, in presenting any bid or bids, colluded with any other party or parties, then the Contract shall be null and void, and the Contractor and its sureties shall be liable for loss or damage which the City may suffer thereby, and the City may advertise for new bids for said Work.

### **1.5 Successors and Assigns**

The City and the Contractor, respectively, bind themselves, their partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives to the other party hereto and to the partners, successors, assigns, and legal representatives of such other party with respect to all covenants, agreements, and obligation contained in the Contract Documents. Neither party to the Contract shall assign the Contract or sublet it as a whole without the written consent of the other and consent of Surety.

### **1.6 Assignment to City**

Pursuant to Public Contract Code 7103.5, in entering into the Contract and all subcontracts, to supply goods, services, or materials pursuant to the Contract, the Contractor and its subcontractors offer and agree to assign to the City all rights, title, and interest in and to all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Sec. 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 [commencing with Section 16700] of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the Contract and subcontracts. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the City tenders final payment to the Contractor, without further acknowledgment by the parties. Reference Paragraph 00100-23.

### **1.7 Rights and Remedies**

The duties and obligations imposed by the Contract Documents and the rights and remedies available thereunder shall be in addition to, and not a limitation of, any duties, obligations, rights, and remedies otherwise imposed or available by law.

No action or failure to act by the City, the Design Consultant, or the Construction Manager shall constitute a waiver of any right or duty afforded any of them under the Contract, nor shall any such action or failure to act constitute an approval of or acquiescence in any breach thereunder, except as may be specifically agreed in writing.

## 2.0 ADMINISTRATION

### 2.1 Administration of the Contract

The City's Representative, the Construction Manager, and the Design Consultant will provide administration of the Contract as hereinafter discussed. The duties, responsibilities and limitations of authority of the Design Consultant and the Construction Manager as the representatives of the City during the construction, as set forth in the Contract Documents, will not be modified or extended without written consent of the City.

In case of the termination of the employment of the Design Consultant or the Construction Manager, the City shall appoint a Design Consultant or a Construction Manager whose status under the Contract Documents shall be that of the former Design Consultant or Construction Manager, respectively.

### 2.2 City's Representative

- 2.2.1 General - The City's Representative has the authority to act on behalf of the City to implement change orders, progress payments, contract performance decisions, acceptability of the Contractor's work, and early possession.
- 2.2.2 Change Orders - The City's Representative has the authority to review and recommend or reject change orders and cost proposals submitted by the Contractor or as recommended by the Construction Manager.
- 2.2.3 Progress Payments - The City's Representative has the authority to accept or reject requests for progress payments which have been submitted by the Contractor and recommended by the Construction Manager.
- 2.2.4 Contract Performance Decisions - Should the Contractor disagree with the Construction Manager's decision with respect to the contract performance, the Contractor may appeal to the City's Representative in accordance with the provisions herein.
- 2.2.5 Acceptability of Work - The City's Representative has the authority to make the final determination of the acceptability of the Work. The City's Representative also has the authority to accept or reject the Design Consultant's recommendations regarding retention of defective work as provided.

### 2.3 Construction Manage

- 2.3.1 General - The Construction Manager is a representative of the City employed to act as advisor and consultant to the City in construction matters related to the Contract.

All instructions to the Contractor and all communications from the Contractor to the City or the Design Consultant shall be forwarded through the Construction Manager. The Construction Manager will have authority to act on behalf of the City only to the extent provided in the Contract Documents. The City has delegated its authority to the Construction Manager to make initial decisions regarding questions which may arise as to the quality or acceptability of materials furnished and work performed, and as to the manner of performance and rate of progress of the work under the Contract. The Construction Manager shall interpret the intent and meaning of the

Contract and shall make initial decisions with respect to the Contractor's fulfillment of the Contract and the Contractor's entitlement to compensation. The Contractor shall look initially to the Construction Manager in matters relating to the Contract.

The Construction Manager's authority to act under Paragraph 00700-2.1, Administration of the Contract, and any decision made by it in good faith either to exercise or not to exercise such authority shall not give rise to any duty or responsibility of the City or Construction Manager to the Contractor, any subcontractor, any of their agents or employees, or any other person performing any of the Work.

- 2.3.2 Representative - The Construction Manager will be represented at the Site by a resident construction manager or resident engineer who will observe the progress, quality, and quantity of the Work to determine, in general, if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the intent of the Contract Documents. The Construction Manager shall not be responsible for construction means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures, or for safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work.

In accordance with the provisions detailed elsewhere in these General Conditions, the Construction Manager will make decisions relative to all matters of interpretation or execution of the Contract Documents.

- 2.3.3 Inspection of Construction - The Construction Manager shall have the authority to reject work and materials which do not conform to the Contract Documents, and to require special inspection or testing in accordance with Paragraph 00700-5.3, Defective and Unauthorized Work.

In addition to the resident construction manager or resident engineer, the Construction Manager may employ one or more inspectors to observe the Work and to act in matters of construction under this Contract. An inspector is not authorized to revoke, alter, or waive any requirements of the Specifications. The inspector is authorized to call the attention of the Contractor to any failure of the Work, materials or workmanship to conform to the Contract Documents. The inspector shall have the authority to reject materials or, in any emergency, suspend the Work. The Contractor may appeal any such issue which it disagrees with to the Construction Manager for decision.

- 2.3.4 Acceptability of the Work - The Construction Manager has the authority to make a recommendation as to the acceptability of the Work.
- 2.3.5 Change Orders - The Construction Manager has the authority to initiate change orders; to reject change orders proposed by the Contractor or Design Consultant; to negotiate and recommend acceptance of change orders; or to order minor changes in the Work at no cost to the City.
- 2.3.6 Construction Schedule - The Construction Manager has the authority to review and recommend acceptance of the progress schedule submitted by the Contractor at the start of the Work and subsequent significant revisions for conformance to the specified sequence of work and logic.
- 2.3.7 Progress Payments - The Construction Manager has the authority to recommend acceptance or rejection of requests for progress payments which have been submitted by the Contractor.

2.3.8 Final Payment - The Construction Manager, with the assistance of the Design Consultant will conduct inspections to determine the dates of substantial completion of the Work and final completion of the Work, and will receive and forward to the City, for the City's review, written warranties, and related documents required by the Contract and assembled by the Contractor.

2.3.9 Early Possession - The Construction Manager has the authority to recommend early possession.

## **2.4 Design Consultant**

2.4.1 General - The Design Consultant will have the authority to act on behalf of the City only to the extent provided in the Contract Documents.

2.4.2 Interpretations - The Design Consultant has the authority to be the initial interpreter of the technical requirements of the Contract Documents. Either party to the Contract may make written request to the Construction Manager for interpretations necessary for the proper execution or progress of the Work. The Construction Manager shall refer such written requests to the Design Consultant, who will render such interpretations. Where the Contractor has requested an interpretation from the Construction Manager, or been notified by the Construction Manager that such interpretation has been requested by the City, any work done before receipt of such interpretations, if not in accordance with same, shall be removed and replaced or adjusted as directed by the Construction Manager without additional expense to the City.

2.4.3 Acceptability of the Work - The Design Consultant has the authority to make a recommendation as to the acceptability of the Work. The Design Consultant has the authority to recommend acceptance regarding the retention of defective work.

2.4.4 Site Observations - The Design Consultant may visit the Site at intervals appropriate to the stage of construction to become generally familiar with the progress and quality of the Work and to determine in general if the Work is proceeding in accordance with the Contract Documents. However, the Design Consultant will not be required to make extensive or continuous on-site inspections to check the quality or quantity of the Work.

2.4.5 Submittal - The Contractor shall submit, through the Construction Manager, all shop drawings, product data and samples for review.

The Design Consultant has the authority to review and take other appropriate action upon the Contractor's submittals such as shop drawings, product data and samples, but only for conformance with the design concept of the Work and the information given in the Contract Documents.

3.0 CITY

## **3.1 General**

The City, acting through the City's Representative or the Construction Manager, shall have the authority to act as the sole judge of the Work and materials with respect to both quantity and quality as set forth in the Contract.

## **3.2 Attention to Work**

The City shall notify the Contractor in writing of the name of the individual designated as the City's Representative and the name of the individual designated by the Construction Manager to act as resident construction manager or resident engineer. The Construction Manager's designated representative normally will be at the Site of the Work. During the representative's absences, the Contractor may contact a previously designated representative of the Construction Manager.

### **3.3 Inspection**

In addition to the resident construction manager or resident manager or resident engineer, the City may employ one or more inspectors to observe the Work and to act in matters of construction under this Contract. An inspector is not authorized to revoke, alter, or waive any requirements of the specifications. The inspector is authorized to call the attention of the Contractor to any failure of the Work or materials to conform to the Contract Documents. The inspector shall have the authority to reject material or, in any emergency, suspend the Work. The Contractor may appeal any such issue which it disagrees with to the Construction Manager for its decision.

Separate and independent from the inspection above, the project may be inspected by Building Officials for code compliance. Such inspectors shall have the authority provided to them by local jurisdiction.

### **3.4 City's Right to Carry Out the Work**

If the Contractor defaults or neglects to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents, and fails within 48 hours after receipt of written notice from the City to commence and continue correction of such default or neglect with diligence and promptness, the City may, after 48 hours following receipt by the Contractor of an additional written notice and without prejudice to any other remedy make good such deficiencies.

The City also reserves the right to perform any portion of the work due to an emergency threatening the safety of the Work, public, City, and any property or equipment.

In either case an appropriate Change Order shall be issued unilaterally deducting from the payments then or thereafter due the Contractor the cost of correcting such deficiencies and/or for performing such work, including compensation for the Design Consultant's, the Construction Manager's, and City's additional services made necessary by such default, neglect, failure or emergency.

### **3.5 City's Right to Use or Occupy**

The City reserves the right, prior to Substantial Completion, to occupy, or use, any completed part or parts of the Work, providing these areas have been approved for occupancy by the City. The exercise of this right shall in no way constitute an acceptance of such parts, or any part of the Work, nor shall it in any way affect the dates and times when progress payments shall become due from the City to the Contractor or in any way prejudice the City's rights in the Contract, or any bonds guaranteeing the same. The Contract shall be deemed completed only when all the Work contracted has been duly and properly performed and accepted by the City.

Prior to such occupancy or use, the City and Contractor shall agree in writing regarding the responsibilities assigned to each of them for payments, security, maintenance, heat, utilities, damage to the Work, insurance, the period for correction

of the Work, and the commencement of warranties required by the Contract Documents.

In exercising the right to occupy or use completed parts of the Work prior to the Substantial Completion thereof, the City shall not make any use which will materially increase the cost to the Contractor, without increasing the Contract Amount, nor materially delay the completion of the Contract, without extending the time for completion.

The part or parts of the Work, if any, which the City anticipates the use or occupancy of prior to Substantial Completion are noted in Paragraph 01010-7.0, OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS. Failure to include a part of the Work in the above section, shall not limit the City's right to use or occupy parts of the Work not listed.

### **3.6 City's Right to Perform Work and to Award Separate Contracts**

The City reserves the right to perform the work related to the Project with the City's own forces, and to award separate Contracts in connection with the Project or other work on the Site under these or similar Conditions of the Contract. If the Contractor claims that delay, damage, or additional cost is involved because of such action by the City, the Contractor shall make such claim as provided elsewhere in the Contract Documents.

When separate Contracts are awarded for different portions of the Project or other work on the Site, the term "Contractor" in the Contract Documents in each case shall mean the Contractor who executes each separate Agreement.

The City will provide for the coordination of the work of the City's own forces and of each separate Contractor with the Work of the Contractor, who shall cooperate therewith as provided in Paragraph 00700-4.8.3, Cooperation.

## **4.0 CONTRACTOR**

### **4.1 Office**

The Contractor's office at the Project Site is hereby designated as the legal address of the Contractor for the receipt of documents, samples, notices, letters, and other articles of communication.

### **4.2 Contractor's Representative**

The Contractor shall notify the City in writing of the names of the persons who will act as the Contractor's representative and his designated alternate, and who shall have the authority to act in matters relating to this Contract. The Contractor, acting through its representative, shall give personal attention to, and shall manage the Work, so that it shall be prosecuted faithfully. The Contractor's representative shall be an employee of the Contractor. Upon written request of the Contractor, this employment requirement may be waived by the City. The City's waiver, if granted, will be in writing. There is no obligation by the City to waive this provision regardless of the effect on the Contractor's operations. Such waiver may be rescinded by City upon reasonable written notice thereof.

At all times during the progress of the Work, the Contractor's representative shall be personally present at the Project site, or a designated alternate shall be at the Project site who has the authority to act in matters relating to the Contract. The

Contractor's representative or designated alternate shall have the authority to carry out the provisions of the Contract and to supply materials, equipment, tools, and labor without delay for the performance of the Work. If neither the Contractor's representative or a designated alternate is at the Project site, the City acting through the Construction Manager shall have the authority as provided in Paragraph 00700-6.6, Temporary Suspension of Work, to suspend the work until such a representative is at the Project site.

Before initial work is begun on the Contract, the Contractor shall file with the Construction Manager, addresses and telephone numbers where the Contractor's and all subcontractors' representatives can be reached during all hours, including nights and weekends when work is not in progress.

#### **4.3 Construction Procedures**

The Contractor will supervise and direct the work. The Contractor has the authority to determine the means, methods, techniques, sequences, and procedures of construction, except in those instances where the City, to define the quality of an item of work, specifies in the Contract, a means, method, technique, sequence, or procedure for construction of that item of Work.

#### **4.4 Contractor's Employees**

The Contractor shall be responsible for the adequacy, efficiency, and sufficiency of its employees. Workers shall have sufficient knowledge, skill, and experience to perform properly the work assigned to them.

The Contractor shall employ only competent, skillful workers to perform the Work. If any subcontractor or person employed by the Contractor or its subcontractors, appear to the Construction Manager to be incompetent or act in a disorderly or improper manner, such person or subcontractor shall be discharged from the site immediately by the Contractor upon written direction of the Construction Manager, and such person shall not again be employed on the Project.

#### **4.5 Subcontractors**

The Contractor shall give their personal attention to the fulfillment of the contract and shall keep the work under his control.

Subcontractors will not be recognized as having a direct relationship with the City. The persons engaged in the Work, including employees of subcontractors and suppliers, will be considered employees of the Contractor. The Contractor will be responsible for their work and their work shall be subject to the provisions of the Contract. The Contractor is as fully responsible to the City for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them as the Contractor is for the acts and omissions of persons directly employed by the Contractor. Nothing contained in the Contract Documents shall create any contractual relation between any subcontractor and the City. References in the Contract Document to actions required of subcontractors, manufacturers, suppliers, or any party other than the Contractor, the City, the Construction Manager, or the Design Consultant shall be interpreted as requiring that the Contractor shall require such subcontractor, manufacturer, supplier, utility company, or party to perform the specified action, unless the Contract Documents specifically state that the Work is not included in the Contract.

The Contractor shall not employ any subcontractors that are not properly licensed in accordance with State law. Prior to commencement of any work by a subcontractor, the Contractor shall submit verification to the Construction Manager that the subcontractor is properly licensed for the work it will perform. Changes to subcontractors listed in the Bid in accordance with Public Contract Code 4100 et. seq., shall be made only with the approval of the City.

#### **4.6 Contractor's Equipment and Facilities**

The Contractor shall furnish and maintain in good condition all equipment and facilities as required for the proper execution and inspection of the Work. Such equipment and facilities shall meet all requirements of applicable ordinances and laws.

#### **4.7 Public Safety and Convenience**

The Contractor shall conduct its work so as to insure the least possible obstruction to traffic and inconvenience to the general public and the residents in the vicinity of the Work and to insure the protection of persons and property at no extra cost to the City. The Contractor shall have under construction no greater length or amount of work than it can prosecute properly with due regard to the rights of the public.

#### **4.8 City-Contractor Coordination**

- 4.8.1 Service of Notice - Notice, order, direction, request, or other communication given by the Construction Manager or City to the Contractor shall be deemed to be well and sufficiently given to the Contractor if delivered to the Contractor's Representative designated in Paragraph 00700-4.2, Contractor's Representative, to the Contractor's office designated in Paragraph 00700-4.1, Office, or to the Contractor's address provided in the Bid Proposal.
- 4.8.2 Suggestions to Contractor - Plans or methods of work suggested by the City, the Construction Manager, or the Design Consultant to the Contractor, but not specified or required, if adopted or followed by the Contractor in whole or in part, shall be used at the risk and responsibility of the Contractor. The City, and Construction Manager, or the Design Consultant assume no responsibility therefor, and in no way will be held liable for any defects in the Work which may result from or be caused by use of such plan or method of work.
- 4.8.3 Cooperation - The Contractor shall afford the City, the Construction Manager and separate contractors reasonable opportunity for the introduction and storage of their materials and equipment and the execution of their work, and shall connect and coordinate the Work with theirs as required by the Contract Documents.

If any part of the Contractor's Work depends for proper execution or results upon the work of the City or any separate contractor, the Contractor shall, prior to proceeding with the Work, promptly report to the Construction Manager any apparent discrepancies or defects in such other work that render it unsuitable for such proper execution and results. Failure of the Contractor to so report shall constitute an acceptance of the City's or separate contractor's work as fit and proper to receive the Work, except as to latent defects which subsequently become apparent in such work by others.

If requested by the Contractor, the City shall arrange meetings with other contractors performing work on behalf of the City to plan coordination of construction activities. The City shall keep the Contractor informed of the planned activities of other contractors.

Differences and conflicts arising between the Contractor and other contractors employed by the City or between the Contractor and the workers of the City with regard to their work, shall be submitted to the City for its decision in the matter. If such separate contractor sues the City on account of any delay or damage alleged to have been caused by the Contractor, the City shall notify the Contractor who shall, at the City's election, defend such proceedings at the Contractor's expense. If any judgement or award against the City arises from any such litigation whether defended by City or by Contractor, the Contractor shall pay or satisfy said judgement or award and shall reimburse the City for all attorney's fees and court costs which the City has incurred or for which it is liable.

#### **4.9 Permits**

Unless specifically stated to be provided by the City, Contractor shall apply for, obtain, and comply with all the terms, conditions and requirements attached to all permits, bonds and licenses required by local, state, or federal agencies to perform work, construct, erect, test and start up of any equipment or facility for this Contract. Permits shall be kept on-site. Where operating permits are required, the Contractor shall apply for and obtain such operating permits in the name of the City and provide the permit in an appropriate frame or file holder when the City accepts substantial completion of the equipment or facility. The Contractor shall give all notices necessary or incidental to the due and lawful prosecution of the work.

Any permits, bonds, licenses and fees therefore required for the performance of work under this Contract and not specifically mentioned herein as having been obtained and paid by the City shall be included in the Contractor's bid price.

The Contractor shall be responsible for satisfying all code requirements. Any code inspections will be coordinated by the Construction Manager. The Contractor shall comply with all construction conditions stipulated in the permits.

The Contractor shall apply for and obtain all safety permits for excavations, tunneling, trenches, construction (building structure, scaffolding, or falsework) and demolition required by CAL/OSHA including but not limited to, the permits required by Labor Code Section 6500.

The Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (Public Resources Code, Sections 21000 to 21176 incl.) may be applicable to permits, licenses and other authorizations which the Contractor must obtain from local agencies in connection with performing the work of the contract. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of said statutes in obtaining such permits, licenses and other authorizations and they shall be obtained in sufficient time to prevent delays to the work.

In the event that the City has obtained permits, licenses or other authorizations, applicable to the work, in conformance with the requirements in said Environmental Quality Act of 1970, the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of said permits, licenses and other authorizations.

#### **4.10 Contractor's Responsibility for the Work and Materials**

Until acceptance of the Work, the Contractor shall have the charge and care of the Work and of the materials to be used therein and shall bear the risk of injury, loss, or damage, to any part thereof (regardless of whether partial payments have been made on such damaged portions of the Work) by the action of the elements or from any other cause, whether or not arising from the non-execution of the Work. The Contractor shall rebuild, repair, restore, and make good all injuries, losses, or damages to any portion of the Work or the materials occasioned by any cause before its completion and acceptance and shall bear the expense thereof, except for such injuries, losses, or damages as are directly and proximately caused by acts of the City.

#### **4.11 Laws to be Observed**

The Contractor shall keep fully informed of all existing and future County, State, and National laws and regulations and all municipal ordinances and regulations of the City which in any manner affect those engaged or employed in the Work and of all such orders and decrees of bodies having any jurisdiction or authority over the same; and shall protect and indemnify the City and all of its officers, agents, and servants against any claim or liability arising from or based on the violation of any such laws, ordinances, regulations, orders, or decrees whether by the Contractor or its employees. If any discrepancy or inconsistency is discovered in the plans, drawings, specifications or Contract for the Work in relation to any such law, ordinance, regulations, order or decree, the Contractor shall immediately report the same to the Construction Manager in writing.

- 4.11.1 Prevailing Wage - The Contractor shall comply with Labor Code Sections 1774 and 1775. In accordance with said Section 1775, the Contractor shall forfeit, as a penalty to the City of Stockton, \$25 for each calendar day or portion thereof, for each workman paid less than the prevailing rates as determined by the Director of Industrial Relations for such work or craft in which such workman is employed for any work done under the contract by him or by any subcontractor under him violation of the provisions of the Labor Code and, in particular, Labor Code Section 1770 and 1780, inclusive.

In addition to said penalty and pursuant to said Section 1775, the difference between such stipulated prevailing wage rates and the amount paid to each workman for each calendar day or portion thereof for which each workman was paid less than the stipulated prevailing wage rate shall be paid to each workman by the Contractor.

Pursuant to provisions of Section 1773 of the Labor Code of the State of California, the City has obtained the general prevailing rate of wages (which rate includes employer payments for health and welfare, vacation, pension, travel time, and subsistence pay as provided for in Section 1773.8 of said Code, apprenticeship or other training programs authorized by Section 3093 of said code and similar purposes) applicable to the work to be done, for straight time, overtime, Saturday, Sunday and holiday work. The holiday wage rate listed shall be applicable to all holidays recognized in the collective bargaining agreement of the particular craft, classification or type of workman concerned. These wage rates are set forth in the Division of Industrial Relations publication entitled "General Prevailing Wage Rates", which is part of the contract.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1773.2 of the Labor Code (as amended) the general prevailing wage rates for each craft, classification or type of workman are on file at the Municipal Utilities Department, 2500 Navy Drive, Stockton, California. A

copy of said wage rates shall be posted by the Contractor in a prominent place at the site of the work.

The City will not recognize any claim for additional compensation because of the payment by the Contractor of any wage rate in excess of the prevailing wage rate set forth in the contract. The possibility of wage increases is one of the elements to be considered by the Contractor in determining his bid, and will not under any circumstances be considered as the basis of a claim against the City on the contract.

4.11.2 Travel and Subsistence Payments - Attention is directed to the requirements of Section 1773.8 of the Labor Code. The Contractor shall make travel and subsistence payment to each workman, needed to execute the work, in accordance with the requirements in said Section 1773.8.

4.11.3 Certified Payrolls - In accordance with Section 1776 of the Labor Code, each Contractor and subcontractor shall keep an accurate payroll record, showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time, and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by him or her in connection with the project.

The payroll records shall be certified and submitted to the City, and shall be available for inspection at all reasonable hours at the principal office of the Contractor on the following basis:

- a. A certified copy of an employee's payroll record shall be made available for inspection or furnished to the employee or his or her authorized representative on request.
- b. A certified copy of all payroll records shall be made available for inspection or furnished upon request to a representative of the City, the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, and the Division of Apprenticeship Standards of the Department of Industrial Relations.
- c. A certified copy of all payroll records shall be made available upon request by the public in accordance with Section 1776 of the Labor Code.

The Contractor is responsible for its and its subcontractors compliance with the provisions of Section 1776 of the Labor Code.

4.11.4 Overtime Requirements - The Contractor shall forfeit, as a penalty to the City, the penalty as provided in the Labor Code for each worker employed in the execution of the Contract by the Contractor, or any subcontractor under the Contractor, for each day during which such worker is required or permitted to work more than eight (8) hours in any one day and forty (40) hours in any one week, in violation of the provisions of the Labor Code, and in particular, Section 1810 to Section 1815 thereof, inclusive, except that work performed by employees of Contractors in excess of eight (8) hours a day and forty (40) hours during one week, shall be permitted upon compensation for all hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours per day, at not less than one and a half (1 1/2) times the basic rate of pay as provided for in the Labor Code.

4.11.5 Apprentice and Trainee - Attention is directed to the provisions in Section 1777.5 of the Labor Code and in accordance with the regulations of the California

Apprenticeship Council concerning the employment of apprentices by the Contractor or any subcontractor under the Contractor.

Section 1777.5 requires the Contractor or subcontractors employing tradespersons in any apprenticeable occupation to apply to the joint apprenticeship committee nearest the site of the project which administers the apprenticeship program in that trade for a certificate of approval. The Contractor and subcontractors are required to submit contract award information to the applicable joint apprenticeship committee. As provided for in Section 1777.5 of the Labor Code, the Contractor is required to make contributions to funds established for the administration of apprenticeship programs.

It shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to abide by the provisions of Section 1777.5 of the Labor Code and to require all subcontractors employed by or contracting with the Contractor to abide by said provisions. The Contractor shall furnish the City any and all evidence of compliance with this code section when requested by the City.

It is City policy to encourage the employment and training of apprentices on public works contracts as may be permitted under local apprenticeship standards.

For failure to comply with Section 1777.5 of the Labor Code, the Contractor shall be subject to the penalties in Section 1777.7 of the Labor Code.

4.11.6 Workers' Compensation Insurance - The Contractor is required to secure the payment of compensation to its employees in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1860 and 3700 of the Labor Code and Paragraph 00820-2.4, Workers' Compensation Insurance.

4.11.7 Labor Discrimination - Attention is directed to Section 1735 of the Labor Code, which reads as follows:

No discrimination shall be made in the employment of persons upon public works because of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, or sex of such persons, except as provided in Section 12940 of the Government Code, and every Contractor for public works violating this section is subject to all the penalties imposed for a violation of this chapter.

Attention is also directed to the requirement in Section 1431 of the Labor Code and Sections 300 and 317 through 323 of Title 8 of the California Administrative Code that the Contractor shall submit his Equal Employment Opportunity Program and certification fee to the Fair Employment Practice Commission, in the event that the bid price for the contract exceeds \$200,000.

4.11.8 Vehicle Code - Pursuant to the authority contained in Vehicle Code Section 591, the City has determined that within such areas as are within the limits of the project and are open to public traffic, the following requirements of the Vehicle Code will apply: The lighting requirements in Section 25803; the brake requirements in Division 12, Chapter 3; the splash apron requirements in Section 27600; and, when operated on completed or existing treated base, surfacing, pavement or structures, except as otherwise provided in Section 7-1.02, "Weight Limitations," the weight limitation requirements contained in Division 15.

Attention is directed to the statement in said Section 591 that this section shall not relieve him or any person from duty of exercising due care. The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions for safe operations of his equipment and the protection of the public from injury and damage from such equipment.

Any other requirements set forth in Division 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the Vehicle Code which the Department, pursuant to the authority contained in Vehicle Code Section 591, will require compliance with, will be set forth in the special provisions.

- 4.11.9 Affirmative Action - Attention is directed to the requirements of the Stockton Municipal Code, Chapter 3, Part V, as amended with reference to the affirmative action requirements for Contractors on Public Works projects of the City of Stockton. Such requirements shall be followed. Guidelines and the necessary reporting requirements are contained in the publication entitled: "Affirmative Action Guidelines and Procedures For Respondents To A City of Stockton Request for Proposals" which is made a part of these specifications by this reference. Failure of the Contractor to conform to the provisions of the City of Stockton's Affirmative Action Program will result in his being subject to the penalties set forth in Section 3-028 of Part V of Chapter 3 of the Stockton Municipal Code.

#### **4.12 Safety**

- 4.12.1 Contractor's Safety Responsibility - The Contractor shall be solely and completely responsible for conditions of the jobsite, including safety of all persons and property during performance of the work. This requirement shall apply continuously and not be limited to normal working hours. Safety provisions shall conform to U.S. Department of Labor (OSHA), the California Occupational Safety and Health Act, and all other applicable Federal, State, County, and local laws, ordinances, codes, the requirements set forth below, and any regulations that may be detailed in other parts of these Contract Documents. Where any of these are in conflict, the more stringent requirement shall be followed.

No provision of the Contract Documents shall act to make the City, the Construction Manager or any other party than the Contractor responsible for safety. The Construction Manager shall not have authority for safety on the project. The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, Construction Manager, or other authorized representatives of the City, from and against any and all actions, damages, fines, suits, and losses arising from the Contractor's failure to meet all safety requirements and/or provide a safe work site.

If death or serious injuries or serious damages are caused, the accident shall be reported immediately by telephone or messenger to both the Construction Manager and the City. In addition, the Contractor must promptly report in writing to the Construction Manager all accidents whatsoever arising out of, or in connection with, the performance of the Work whether on, or adjacent to, the Site, giving full details and statements of witnesses. The Contractor shall make all reports as are, or may be, required by any authority having jurisdiction, and permit all safety inspections of the work being performed under this Contract.

If a claim is made by anyone against the Contractor or any subcontractor on account of any accident, the Contractor shall promptly report the facts in writing to the Construction Manager, giving full details of the claim.

- 4.12.2 Safety Program - The Contractor shall establish, implement, and maintain a written injury prevention program as required by Labor Code Section 6401.7. Before

beginning the Work the Contractor shall prepare and submit to the Construction Manager a Contractor Safety Program that provides for the implementation of all of the Contractor's safety responsibilities in connection with the Work at the site and the coordination of that program and its associated procedures and precautions with safety programs, precautions and procedures of each of its subcontractors and other prime Contractors performing work at the site. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for initiating, maintaining, monitoring, coordinating, and supervising all safety program, precautions, and procedures in connection with the Work and for coordinating its programs, precautions, and procedures of the other prime contractors and subcontractors performing the Work at the site. The Safety Program should contain all the necessary elements for the Contractor to administer its program on site. At a minimum, this written Safety Program shall address the elements required by Labor Code Section 6401.7. The Contractor shall obtain a copy of the City's Municipal Utilities Department's Injury and Illness Prevention Program and the Safety Manual and incorporate appropriate safety procedures into their Safety Program. The Contractor shall also comply with the Department's "Contractor=s Safety Rules" in Section 01500-10.

The program shall also address the following:

- a. Compliance with Laws, Rules, and Regulations
- b. Infractions of Safety Rules
  1. Reported to Contractor's designated Safety Supervisor
  2. Time correction
  3. Contractor to enforce safety requirements on its subcontractors
  4. Noncomplying employees to be removed from the Project
- c. Housekeeping
  1. Continuous cleaning required
  2. Final clean up required
- d. Means of Implementing the Program
  1. All new employees to receive training on the Contractor's Safety Program prior to starting work.
  2. Periodic tool box meetings with agenda recorded
  3. Documented safety inspections by Safety Supervisor
  4. Establish emergency procedures and telephone numbers including the procedure for the immediate removal to a hospital or a doctor's care of persons who may be injured on the jobsite. The Contractor shall maintain at its office or other well-known place at the Site safety equipment applicable to the Work as prescribed by the aforementioned authorities, and all items necessary for giving first aid to the injured.
  5. Project bulletin board with required policies
  6. At least two employees on each shift should have First Aid training and maintain a current First Aid card issued by an agency such as the American Red Cross.
  7. Completion of a job hazard analysis for specific construction activities.
  8. Establish a hazard communication program for informing the Contractor's and subcontractor's personnel, Construction Manager, City, and other affected parties of specific hazards on the project.
  9. Establish a confined space entry program in accordance with Cal OSHA requirements.

- e. Define the duties and responsibilities of Contractor management personnel for safety.
  - 1. Project Manager
  - 2. General Superintendent
  - 3. Foreman
  - 4. Safety Supervisor
- f. Accident Investigation
  - 1. Investigate all accidents and near misses.
  - 2. Develop steps to prevent a reoccurrence.
  - 3. Completion of all reporting paperwork.

The Contractor's compliance with requirements for safety and/or the Construction Manager's review of the Contractor's Safety Program shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor for safety. The Construction Manager's review of the Contractor's Safety Program is only to determine if the above listed elements are included in the program.

- 4.12.3 Safety Supervisor - The Contractor shall appoint an employee as safety supervisor who is qualified and authorized to supervise and enforce compliance with the Safety Program. The Contractor shall notify the Construction Manager in writing prior to the commencement of work of the name of the person who will act as the Contractor's safety supervisor and furnish the safety supervisor's resume to the Construction Manager.

The Contractor will, through and with his Safety Supervisor, ensure that all of its employees and its subcontractors of any tier, fully comply with the Project Safety Policies. The Safety Supervisor shall be a full-time employee of the Contractor whose responsibility shall include supervising compliance with applicable safety requirements on the work site and for developing and implementing safety training classes for all job personnel. The City shall have the authority to require removal of the Contractor's Safety Supervisor if the representative is judged to be improperly or inadequately performing the duties; however, this authority shall not in any way affect the Contractor's sole responsibility for performing this work safely, nor shall it impose any obligation upon the City to ensure the Contractor perform its work safely.

- 4.12.4 Safety Coordination Meetings - The Contractor and its affected subcontractors shall attend safety coordination meetings with the Construction Manager and any other affected parties. The meeting shall be held at least monthly and prior to the start of new construction activities.

Construction activities will be reviewed prior to the start of work in the various areas to determine potential hazards. The Contractor will be responsible for preparing job hazard analyses to breakdown the activities to be performed in a step-by-step procedure and provide safety guidelines for each step and any special equipment necessary to protect workers. The Contractor will act as facilitator for the meeting. The Construction Manager will participate in the Safety coordination meetings but will not direct the Contractor on how to perform its safety operations.

- 4.12.5 Safety and Protection - The Contractor shall take all necessary protection to prevent damage, injury, and loss to:
  - a. All employees on the Project, employees of all subcontractors, and other persons and organizations who may be affected thereby;

- b. All the Work and materials and equipment to be incorporated therein, whether in storage on or off the site; and
- c. Other property at the site or adjacent thereto, including trees, shrubs, lawns, walks, pavements, roadways, structures, utilities, and underground facilities not designated for removal, relocation, or replacement in the course of construction.

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations of any public body having jurisdiction for the safety of persons or property or to protect them from damage, injury or loss and shall erect and maintain all necessary safeguards for such safety and protection. The Contractor shall notify owners of adjacent property and of underground facilities and utility owners when prosecution of the Work may affect them and shall cooperate with them in the protection, removal, relocation, and replacement of their property. All injury or loss to any property caused, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, by the Contractor, any subcontractor, supplier or any other person or organization directly or indirectly employed by any of them to perform or furnish any of the Work or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, shall be remedied by the Contractor.

- 4.12.6 Excavation Safety - In accordance with the provisions of Section 6705 of the Labor Code, the Contractor shall submit, in advance of excavation five feet or more in depth, detailed plans showing the design of shoring, bracing, sloping, or other provisions to be made for worker protection from hazard of caving ground during such excavation. If such plans vary from the shoring system standards set forth in the Construction Safety Orders in Title 8, California Code of Regulations, the plans shall be prepared and signed by a registered civil or structural engineer. Shoring, bracing, sloping, or other protective system shall not be less effective than required by the California Construction Safety Orders. The City's review of the Contractor's excavation plan is only for general conformance to the California Construction Safety Orders.

Prior to commencing any excavation, the Contractor shall designate in writing to the Construction Manager the "competent person(s)" with the authority and responsibilities designated in the Construction Safety Orders.

- 4.12.7 Safety Emergencies - In emergencies affecting the safety or protection of persons or the Work or property at the site or adjacent thereto, the Contractor, without special instruction or authorization from the Construction Manager, is obligated to act to prevent threatened damage, injury or loss. The Contractor shall give the Construction Manager prompt written notice if the Contractor believes that any significant changes in the Work or variations from the Contract Documents have been caused thereby.
- 4.12.8 Safety Violations - Should the Contractor fail to correct an unsafe condition, the Construction Manager shall immediately notify the City of the Contractor's failure to correct the unsafe condition. The City shall then notify the Contractor through the Construction Manager that the unsafe condition must be corrected or the work in question will be stopped in accordance with Paragraph 00700-6.6, Temporary Suspension of Work until the condition is corrected to the satisfaction of the City. No extension of time or additional compensation will be granted as a result of any stop order so issued. The notification and suspension of such work or the failure to provide such notification and suspension by the Construction Manager and City shall not relieve the Contractor of its sole responsibility and liability for safety.

The City shall have the authority to require the removal from the project of the foreman and/or superintendent in responsible charge of the work where safety violations occur.

- 4.12.9 Equipment Safety Provisions - The completed Work shall include all necessary permanent safety devices, such as machinery guards and similar ordinary safety items, required by the State and Federal (OSHA) industrial authorities and applicable local and national codes. Further, any features of the Work, including City-selected equipment, subject to such safety regulations shall be fabricated, furnished, and installed in compliance with these requirements. All equipment furnished shall be grounded and provided guards and protection as required by safety codes. Where vapor-tight or explosion-proof electrical installation is required by safety codes, this shall be provided. Contractors and manufacturers of equipment shall be held responsible for compliance with the requirements included herein. The Contractor shall notify all equipment suppliers and subcontractors of the provisions of this paragraph.

## 5.0 CONTROL OF WORK AND MATERIALS

### 5.1 Means and Methods

It is expressly stipulated that the drawings, specifications and other Contract Documents set forth the requirements as to the nature of the completed Work and do not purport to control the method of performing work except in those instances where the nature of the completed Work is dependent on the method of performance.

Except as provided elsewhere in the Contract Documents, neither the City, Design Consultant nor the Construction Manager will be responsible for or have control or charge of construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, or for safety precautions and programs in connection with the Work. Except as provided elsewhere in the Contract Documents, neither the City, Design Consultant nor the Construction Manager will be responsible for or have control or charge over the acts or omissions of the Contractor, or any of their subcontractors, agents or employees, or any other persons performing any of the Work. Any general control of the Work exercised by the City or its authorized representatives shall not make the Contractor an agent of the City, and the liability of the Contractor for all damages to persons and/or to public or private property arising from the Contractor's execution of the Work shall not be lessened because of such general control.

Neither the inspection by the City, Design Consultant, or Construction Manager, nor any order, measurement, approved modification, or payment of monies, nor acceptance of any part or whole of the Work by the City, Design Consultants, Construction Manager, or their agents shall operate as a waiver of any provision of the Contract.

Acceptance by the Construction Manager, City and/or Design Consultant of any drawings, or any information regarding materials and equipment the Contractor proposes to furnish or method of work shall not be regarded as an assumption of risks or liability by the Construction Manager, Design Consultant, or the City, or any officer or employee thereof, and the Contractor shall have no claim under the Contract on account of the failure or partial failure or inefficiency or insufficiency of any plan or method of work or material and equipment so accepted. Such acceptance shall be considered to mean merely that the Construction Manager, City,

and/or Design Consultant has no objection to the Contractor using, upon its own full responsibility, the plan or method of work proposed, or furnishing the materials and equipment proposed.

## **5.2 City-Furnished Materials**

Materials, if furnished by the City, will be made available as designated in the General Requirements. The cost of loading, unloading, hauling and handling, and placing City-furnished materials shall be considered as included in the price bid for the Contract item involving such City-furnished material.

Contractor shall inspect and assure itself of the amount and soundness of such materials.

The Contractor will be held responsible for all materials furnished to it, and shall pay all demurrage and storage charges. City-furnished materials lost or damaged from any cause whatsoever shall be replaced by the Contractor. The Contractor will be liable to the City for the cost of replacing City-furnished material and such costs may be deducted from any monies due or to become due the Contractor.

## **5.3 Defective and Unauthorized Work**

Materials and workmanship not conforming to the requirements of the Contract Documents shall be considered defective and will be subject to rejection. Defective work or material, whether in place or not, shall be removed immediately from the Site by the Contractor, at its expense, when so directed by the Construction Manager.

Any work done beyond the limits of work, lines, and grades shown on any approved plans or established by the Construction Manager, or any extra work done without written authority, will be considered as unauthorized and will not be paid for.

Upon failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any order of the Construction Manager made under the provisions of this paragraph, the Construction Manager shall have authority to require special inspection and testing to verify if work is defective. Confirmed defective work shall be remedied, or removed and replaced, and unauthorized work be removed. The costs thereof will be deducted from any monies due or to become due the Contractor. The time, cost and compliance requirements stipulated in Paragraph 00700-3.4, City's Right to Carry Out the Work, shall apply for this paragraph also.

## **5.4 Unnoticed Defects**

Any defective work or material that may be discovered by the City, Construction Manager, or Design Consultant before the final acceptance of the Work, or before final payment has been made, or during the warranty period, shall be removed and replaced by work and materials which shall conform to the provisions of the Contract Documents. Failure on the part of the City, Construction Manager, or Design Consultant to condemn or reject bad or inferior work or materials shall not be construed to imply acceptance of such work or materials.

## **5.5 Right to Retain Imperfect Work**

If any part or portion of the work performed or material furnished under this Contract shall prove defective and not in accordance with the Drawings and Specifications, and if the imperfection in the same shall not be of sufficient magnitude or importance

as to make the work dangerous or unsuitable, or if the removal of such work will create conditions which are dangerous or undesirable, the City shall have the right and authority to retain such work but shall make such deductions in the final payment therefor as may be just and reasonable.

## 6.0 PROGRESS OF THE WORK

### 6.1 Beginning of Work

The Contractor shall begin work within ten (10) days of the effective date of the Notice to Proceed and shall diligently prosecute the same to completion within the time limit.

Should the Contractor begin work in advance of receiving Notice to Proceed, any work performed in advance of the said date of approval shall be considered as having been done by the Contractor at its own risk and as a volunteer.

### 6.2 Time of Completion

Time shall be of the essence of the Contract. The Contractor shall prosecute the work so that the various portions of the project shall be complete and ready for use within the time specified in Paragraph 01010-3.0, TIME ALLOWED FOR COMPLETION. It is expressly understood and agreed by and between the Contractor and the City that the Contract time for completion of the work described herein is a reasonable time taking into consideration the average climatic and economic conditions and other factors prevailing in the locality and the nature of the work.

### 6.3 Delays

- 6.3.1 Notice of Delays - When the Contractor foresees a delay in the prosecution of the Work and, in any event, immediately upon the occurrence of a delay, the Contractor shall notify the Construction Manager in writing of the probability of the occurrence and the estimated extent of the delay, and its cause. The Contractor shall take immediate steps to prevent, if possible the occurrence or continuance of the delay. The Contractor agrees that no claim shall be made for delays which are not called to the attention of the Construction Manager at the time of their occurrence.
- 6.3.2 Non-excusable Delays - Non-excusable delays in the prosecution of the Work shall include delays which could have been avoided by the exercise of care, prudence, foresight, and diligence on the part of the Contractor or its subcontractors, at any tier level, or suppliers.
- 6.3.3 Excusable Delays - Excusable delays in the prosecution or completion of the Work shall include delays which result from causes beyond the control of the Contractor and City and which could not have been avoided by the exercise of care, prudence, foresight, and diligence on the part of the Contractor or its subcontractors, at any tier level, or suppliers.
  - 6.3.3.1 Abnormal Delays - Delays caused by acts of god, fire, unusual storms, floods, tidal waves, earthquakes, strikes, labor disputes, and freight embargoes, shall be considered as excusable delays insofar as they prevent the Contractor from proceeding with at least seventy-five (75) percent of the normal labor and equipment force for at least five (5) hours per day toward completion of the current critical activity item(s) on the latest favorably reviewed progress schedule.

- 6.3.3.2 Weather Delays - Should inclement weather conditions or the conditions resulting from weather prevent the Contractor from proceeding with seventy-five (75) percent of the normal labor and equipment force engaged in the current critical activity item for a period of at least five (5) hours per day toward completion of such operation or operations, and the crew is dismissed as a result thereof, it shall be a weather delay day. The Contractor may be granted a time extension pursuant to Paragraph 00700-6.4.2.c, Weather Delays.
- 6.3.3.3 Material Shortages - Upon the submission of satisfactory proof to the Construction Manager by the Contractor, shortages of material may be acceptable as grounds for granting a time extension. In order that such proof may be satisfactory and acceptable to the Construction Manager, it must be demonstrated by the Contractor that the Contractor has made every effort to obtain such materials, or obtain acceptable substitute materials, from all known sources within reasonable reach of the proposed Work. Only the physical shortage of material, caused by unusual circumstances, will be considered under these provisions as a cause for extension of time, and no consideration will be given to any claim that material could not be obtained at a reasonable, practical, or economical cost or price, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Construction Manager that such material could have been obtained only at exorbitant prices entirely out of line with current rates, taking into account the quantities involved and usual practices in obtaining such quantities. A time extension for shortage of material will not be considered for material ordered or delivered late or whose availability is affected by virtue of the mishandling of procurement. The above provisions apply equally to equipment to be installed in the work.
- 6.3.4 Compensable Delays - Compensable delays in the prosecution or completion of the Work shall include delays that occur through no fault of the Contractor and prevent the Contractor from proceeding with at least seventy-five (75) percent of the normal labor and equipment force for at least five (5) hours per day toward completion of the current critical activity item(s) on the latest favorably reviewed progress schedule due to the following cause(s):
- a. Delays due solely to the actions and/or inactions of the City.
  - b. Delays due to differing site conditions as defined in Paragraph 00700-7.3, Differing Site Conditions.
  - c. Delays due to other Contractors employed by the City who interfere with the Contractor's prosecution of the Work as defined above.

No delay shall be compensable unless the claimed event or occurrence delays completion of the work beyond the contractual completion date or the completion date shown in the accepted initial or updated schedules, and the delay affects a critical activity while such activity is on the critical path.

- 6.3.5 Concurrent Delays - Concurrent delays are those delay periods when the prosecution of the Work is delayed during the same period of time due to causes from a combination of the delays defined in Paragraphs 00700-6.3.2, Non-Excusable Delays, 00700-6.3.3, Excusable Delays, or 00700-6.3.4, Compensable Delays. During such concurrent delay periods, time extensions will be granted in accordance with Paragraph 00700-6.4, Time Extensions; however, the Contractor shall not be compensated for its overhead costs as defined in Paragraph 00700-6.4.3, Indirect Overhead, and the City shall not assess its actual costs as defined in Paragraph 00700-6.4.1, Non-excusable Delays.

## 6.4 Time Extensions

- 6.4.1 Non-excusable Delays - The City may grant an extension of time for non-excusable delays if the City deems it is in its best interest. If the City grants an extension of time for non-excusable delays, the Contractor agrees to pay the City's actual costs, including charges for engineering, inspection and administration incurred during the extension.
- 6.4.2 Excusable or Compensable Delays - If the Contractor is delayed in the performance of its work as defined in Paragraphs 00700-6.3.3, Excusable Delays, or 00700-6.3.4, Compensable Delays, then the Contract completion date may be extended by the City for such time that, in the City's and Construction Manager's determination, the Contractor's completion date will be delayed, provided that the Contractor strictly fulfills the following:
- a. The Contractor shall provide notification, in accordance with Paragraph 00700-6.3.1, Notice of Delays, and submit in writing a request for an extension of time to the Construction Manager stating at a minimum the probable cause of the delay and the number of days being requested. The time extension request shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of Paragraph 01310-6.0, TIME IMPACT ANALYSES.
  - b. If requested by the Construction Manager, the Contractor shall promptly provide sufficient information to the Construction Manager to assess the cause or effect of the alleged delay, or to determine if other concurrent delays affected the work.
  - c. Weather Delays. The Contractor will be granted a non-compensable time extension for weather caused delays, pursuant to Paragraph 00700-6.3.3.2, Weather Delays, over and above an allowance as provided for in Paragraph 01010-5.0, WEATHER DAYS. No time extensions for weather delays will be granted until the total number of weather days exceeds this allowance.

Should the Contractor fail to fulfill any of the foregoing, which are conditions precedent to the right to receive a time extension, the Contractor waives the right to receive a time extension.

During such extension of time, neither extra compensation for engineering, inspection and administration nor damages for delay will be charged to the Contractor. It is understood and agreed by the Contractor and City that time extensions due to excusable or compensable delays will be granted only if such delays involve controlling operations which would prevent completion of the whole Work within the specified Contract time.

Should the Contractor fail to complete the work within the time specified in the contract, as extended in accordance with this clause if appropriate, the Contractor shall pay to the City liquidated damages in accordance with Paragraph 00700-6.5, Liquidated Damages.

- 6.4.3 Indirect Overhead - The Contractor shall be reimbursed for indirect overhead expenses for periods of time when the Work is delayed as defined in Paragraph 00700-6.3.4, Compensable Delays. However, no reimbursement for indirect overhead shall be made for compensable delays which occur during a concurrent delay as defined in Paragraph 00700-6.3.5, Concurrent Delays. No reimbursement

for indirect overhead as covered in this section shall be made for any time extensions granted for Contract change orders as provided in Section 01035, MODIFICATION PROCEDURES. As a condition precedent to any reimbursement, the Contractor must fulfill all conditions as provided in Paragraph 00700-6.4.2, Excusable or Compensable Delays. No additional markup for overhead or profit shall be provided for such indirect overhead expenses.

Payment to the Contractor for indirect overhead expenses will be made only if the extended Contract period granted for the compensable delay(s) is required to complete the work following the depletion of the original contract period and any time extensions granted other than compensable time extensions.

6.4.3.1 Indirect Field Overhead - For those allowable delay periods as defined in Paragraph 00700-6.4.3, Indirect Overhead, the Contractor shall be reimbursed for its indirect field overhead based on:

- a. Invoices for all field office equipment.
- b. Actual salary for field office staff.
- c. Fair rental values acceptable to the Construction Manager as described in Paragraph 01035-3.0, FORCE ACCOUNT PAYMENT for construction equipment idled due to the delay.

6.4.3.2 Indirect Home Office Overhead - For those allowable delay periods as defined in Paragraph 00700-6.4.3, Indirect Overhead, the Contractor shall be reimbursed for its daily home office overhead based on the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Contract Bid Price (\$)}}{\text{Contract Period (Days)}} \times (0.04) = \text{Daily Home Office Overhead (\$/Day)}$$

As it is impractical to determine the actual home office overhead, such reimbursement shall be mutually agreed between the City and Contractor to encompass full payment for any home office overhead expenses for such periods of time for the Contractor and all subcontractors. The Contractor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless for any indirect overhead claims from its subcontractors.

## **6.5 Liquidated Damages**

It is agreed by the parties to the Contract that time is of the essence in the completion of this Work, and that in case all the Work called for under the Contract is not completed before or upon the expiration of the time limit as set forth in these Contract Documents, as modified by extensions of time granted by the City, damage will be sustained by the City. As it is impracticable to determine the actual delay damage; it is, therefore, agreed that the Contractor shall pay liquidated damages to the City in the amount set forth in Paragraph 01010-4.0, DAMAGES FOR DELAYS, per day for each and every day's delay beyond the time prescribed to complete the Work. The Contractor agrees to pay such liquidated damages and in case the same are not paid, agrees that the City may deduct the amount thereof from any monies due or that may become due the Contractor under the Contract.

## **6.6 Temporary Suspension of Work**

- 6.6.1 If the Contractor fails to correct defective work as required by Paragraph 00700-5.3, Defective and Unauthorized Work, or fails to carry out the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents or any other applicable rules and regulations, the City, by a written order of the City's representative or signed personally by an agent specifically so empowered by the City, in writing, may order the Contractor to stop the work, or any portion thereof, until the cause for such order has been eliminated; however, this right of the City to stop the Work shall not give rise to any duty on the part of the City to exercise this right for the benefit of the Contractor or any other person or entity. All delays in the Work occasioned by such stoppage shall not relieve the Contractor of any duty to perform the Work or serve to extend the time for its completion. Any and all necessary corrective work done in order to comply with the Contract Documents shall be performed at no cost to the City.
- 6.6.2 In the event that a suspension of Work is ordered, as provided in this paragraph, the Contractor, at its expense, shall perform all work necessary to provide a safe, smooth, and unobstructed passageway through construction for use by public, pedestrian, and vehicular traffic, during the period of such use by suspension. Should the Contractor fail to perform the Work as specified, the City may perform such work and the cost thereof may be deducted from monies due the Contractor under the Contract.
- 6.6.3 The City shall also have authority to suspend the Work wholly or in part, for such period as the City may deem necessary, due to unsuitable weather, or to such other conditions as are considered unfavorable for the suitable prosecution of the Work. Such temporary suspension of the Work will be considered justification for time extensions to the Contract in an amount equal to the period of such suspension if such suspended work includes the current critical activity on the latest favorably reviewed progress schedule. The Contractor as directed by the City shall provide the provisions as stipulated in Paragraph 00700-6.6.2 above. Such additional work shall be compensated as provided for in Paragraph 00700-7.0, CHANGES IN THE WORK.

## **6.7 Termination of Contract**

If at any time the Contractor is determined to be in material breach of the Contract, notice thereof in writing will be served upon the Contractor and its sureties, and should the Contractor neglect or refuse to provide means for a satisfactory compliance with the Contract, as directed by the Construction Manager, within the time specified in such notice, the City or the City's Representative in such case shall have the authority to terminate the operation of the Contract.

Upon such termination, the Contractor shall discontinue the Work, or such parts of it as the City may designate. Upon such termination, the Contractor's control shall terminate and thereupon the City or its fully authorized representative may take possession of all or any part of the Contractor's materials, tools, equipment, and appliances upon the premises and use the same for the purposes of completing the Work and hire such force and buy or rent such additional machinery, tools, appliances, and equipment, and buy such additional materials and supplies at the Contractor's expense as may be necessary for the proper conduct of the Work and for the completion thereof; or the City may employ other parties to carry the Contract to completion, employ the necessary workers, substitute other machinery or materials and purchase the materials contracted for, in such manner as the City may deem proper; or the City may annul and cancel the Contract and relet the Work or any part thereof. Any excess of cost arising therefrom over and above the Contract price will be charged against the Contractor and its sureties, who will be liable therefore.

In the event of such termination, all monies due the Contractor or retained under the terms of this Contract shall be held by the City; however, such holdings will not release the Contractor or its sureties from liability for failure to fulfill the Contract. Any excess cost over and above the Contract amount incurred by the City arising from the termination of the operations of the Contract and the completion of the Work by the City as above provided shall be paid for by any available funds held by the City. The Contractor will be so credited with any surplus remaining after all just claims for such completion have been paid.

In addition to the City's rights under this section, if at any time before completion of the work under the Contract, it shall be determined by the City that reasons beyond the control of the parties hereto render it impossible or against the interests of the City to complete the work, or if the work shall be stopped by an injunction of a court of competent jurisdiction or by order of any competent authority, the City may, upon ten (10) days written notice to the Contractor, discontinue the work and terminate the Contract. Upon service of such notice of termination, the Contractor shall discontinue the work in such manner, sequence, and at such times as the Construction Manager may direct. The Contractor shall have no claim for damages for such discontinuance or termination, nor any claim for anticipated profits on the work thus dispensed with, nor any other claim except for the work actually performed up to the time of discontinuance, including any extra work ordered by the Construction Manager to be done, nor for any claim for liquidated damages.

The Contractor's responsibility for damage to materials for which partial payment has been made as provided in Paragraph 00700-8.3, Partial Payments, and for materials furnished by the City for use in the work and unused shall terminate when the Engineer certifies that such materials have been stored in the manner and at the locations he has directed.

The Contractor's responsibility for damage to materials purchased by the City subsequent to the issuance of the notice that the contract is to be terminated shall terminate when title and delivery of such materials has been taken by the City.

When the Engineer determines that the Contractor has completed the work under the contract directed to be completed prior to terminations and such other work as may have been ordered to secure the project for termination, he will recommend that the City Council formally accept the contract, and immediately upon and after such acceptance by the City Council, the Contractor will not be required to perform any further work thereon and shall be relieved of his contractual responsibilities for injury to persons or property which occurs after the formal acceptance of the project by the City Council.

## 7.0 SCOPE OF WORK - CHANGES IN THE WORK

### 7.1 **Changes**

The City reserves the right to make such alterations, deviations, additions to or omissions from the plans and specifications, including the right to increase or decrease the quantity of any item or portion of the work, as may be deemed by the Engineer to be necessary or advisable and to require such extra work as may be determined by the Engineer to be required for the proper completion or construction of the whole work contemplated. Such changes, no matter how many, shall be

within the contemplation of this Contract and shall not be the basis for a compensable delay.

Any such changes will be set forth in a contract change order which will specify, in addition to the work to be done in connection with the change made, adjustment of contract time, if any, and the basis of compensation for such work. A contract change order will not become effective until approved by the authorized City official and/or the City Council.

For contracts approved by the City Council for initial prices under One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000), cumulative change orders which exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) require City Council approval. For contracts with initial prices of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) or more, cumulative change orders which exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) plus ten percent (10%) of the initial contract price over One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) require City Council approval. Change orders not meeting the above criteria require approval by the authorized City official executing this contract. The dollar amounts of change orders approved by specific City Council action, plus the dollar amounts of any change orders which predate such specific City Council action, shall not be counted in computing the authority limits set forth above for City officials to approve change orders hereunder.

In emergency situations, the authorized City official may issue a change order beyond the authority limits described above in order to:

- a. Prevent interruption of the work which would result in a substantial increase in the costs to, or liability of, City; or
- b. Protect the work, equipment, materials to be used in the work, human safety, or the environment at or near the work from substantial and immediate danger or injury; or
- c. Protect, where damage or injury has occurred, the work, equipment or materials to be used in the work, human safety, or the environment at or near the site of the work from further or additional damage or injury or deterioration.

The authorized City official shall have the authority to issue change orders in such sums as is reasonably necessary for such emergency purposes. After issuing a change order in an emergency situation described above, the authorized City official shall report such action and the reasons therefor to the City Council in writing not later than its next regularly scheduled meeting or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Upon receipt of an approved contract change order, the Contractor shall proceed with the ordered work. If ordered in writing by the Engineer, the Contractor shall proceed with the work so ordered prior to actual receipt of an approved contract change order therefor. In such cases, the Engineer will, as soon as practicable, issue an approved contract change order for such work and the provisions in Paragraph 7.1.1, Procedure and Protest, shall be fully applicable to such subsequently issued contract change order.

When the compensation for an item of work is subject to adjustment under the provisions of Paragraph 00700-7.1, Changes, the Contractor shall, upon request, promptly furnish the Engineer with adequate detailed cost data for such item of work.

- 7.1.1 Procedure and Protest - A contract change order approved by the Engineer may be issued to the Contractor at any time. Should the Contractor disagree with any terms or conditions set forth in an approved contract change order which he has not executed, he shall submit a written protest to the Engineer within 15 days after the receipt of such approved contract change order. The protest shall state the points of disagreement, and if possible, the contract specification references, quantities, and costs involved. If a written protest is not submitted, payment will be made as set forth in the approved contract change order and such payment shall constitute full compensation for all work included therein or required thereby. Such unprotested approved contract change orders will be considered as executed contract change orders as that term is used in Paragraphs 00700-7.1.2 to 7.1.4, inclusive.

Where the protest concerning an approved contract change order relates to compensation, the compensation payable for all work specified or required by said contract change order to which such protest relates will be determined as provided in Paragraphs 00700-7.1.2 to 7.1.4, inclusive. The Contractor shall keep full and complete records of the cost of such work and shall permit the Engineer to have such access thereto as may be necessary to assist in the determination of the compensation payable for such work.

Where the protest concerning an approved contract change order relates, to the adjustment of contract time for the completion of the work, the time to be allowed therefor will be determined as provided in Paragraph 00700-6.5, Liquidated Damages.

Proposed contract change orders may be presented to the Contractor for his consideration prior to approval by the Engineer. If the Contractor signifies his acceptance of the terms and conditions of such proposed contract change order by executing such documents and if such change order is approved by the City Manager or City Council and issued to the Contractor, payment in accordance with the provisions as to compensation therein set forth shall constitute full compensation for all work included therein or required thereby. A contract change order executed by the City Manager or City Council is an executed contract change order as that term is used in Paragraph 00700-7.1.2 to 7.1.4, inclusive. An approved contract change order shall supersede a proposed, but unapproved, contract change order covering the same work.

- 7.1.2 Eliminated Items - The City reserves the right to eliminate any contract item of work prior to the award of the contract without incurring any obligation to pay therefor. Should any contract item of the work be eliminated in its entirety following the award of the contract and in the absence of an executed contract change order covering such elimination, payment will be made to the Contractor for actual costs incurred in connection with such eliminated contract item if incurred prior to the date of notification in writing by the Engineer of such elimination.

If acceptable material is ordered by the Contractor for the eliminated item prior to the date of notification of such elimination by the Engineer, and if orders for such material cannot be canceled, it will be paid for at the actual cost to the Contractor. In such case, the material paid for shall become the property of the City and the actual cost of any further handling will be paid for by the City. If the material is returnable to the vendor and if the Engineer so directs, the material shall be returned and the Contractor will be paid for the actual cost of charges made by the vendor for returning the material. The actual cost of handling returned material will be paid for.

The actual costs or charges to be paid by the City to the Contractor as provided in this Paragraph 00700-7.1.2 will be computed in the same manner as if the work were to be paid for on a force account basis as provided in Paragraph 01035-3.0.

- 7.1.3 Changes in Character of Work - If an ordered change in the plans or specification materially changes the character of the work of a contract item from that on which the Contractor based his bid price, and if the change increases or decrease the actual unit cost of such changed item as compared to the actual or estimated actual cost of performing the work of said item in accordance with the plans and specification originally applicable thereto, an adjustment in compensation therefor will be made by executed contract change order specifying the compensation payable, in accordance with the following:

The basis of such adjustment in compensation will be the difference between the actual unit cost to perform the work of said item or portion thereof involved in the change as originally planned and the actual unit cost of performing the work of said item or portion thereof involved in the change, as changed. Actual unit costs will be determined by the Engineer in the same manner as if the work were to be paid for on a force account basis as provided in Paragraph 01035-3.0; or such adjustment will be as agreed to by the Contractor and the Engineer. Any such adjustment will apply only to the portion of the work of said item actually changed in character. At the option of the Engineer, the work of said item or portion of item which is changed in character will be paid for by force account as provided in Paragraph 01035-3.0.

Failure of the Engineer to recognize a change in character of the work shall not be construed as relieving the Contractor of his duty and responsibility of filing a written notice in accordance with Paragraph 00700-7.5.2.1, Notice.

- 7.1.4 Extra Work - New, unforeseen work will be classed as extra work when determined by the Engineer that such work is not covered by any of the various items for which there is a bid price or by combinations of such items. In the event portions of such work are determined by the Engineer to be covered by some of the various items for which there is a bid price or combinations of such items, the remaining portion of such work will be classed as extra work. Extra work also includes work specifically designated as extra work in the plans and specifications.

The Contractor shall do such extra work and furnish labor, material, and equipment therefor upon receipt of an approved contract change order or written emergency order of the Engineer, and in the absence of such approved contract change order or written emergency order of the Engineer he shall not be entitled to payment of such extra work.

## **7.2 Change Orders**

- 7.2.1 Without invalidating the Contract and without notice to sureties or insurers, the City through the Construction Manager, may at any time or from time to time, order additions, deletions, or revisions in the Work; these will be authorized by Field Directive, Field Order, or Change Order. A Change Order will not be issued for a Field Directive unless the Construction Manager concurs with an appeal by the Contractor that such Field Directive is a change in the scope of the Contract. The Contractor shall comply promptly with the requirements for all Change Orders, Field Orders, or Field Directives. The work involved in Change Orders shall be executed under the applicable conditions and requirements of the Contract Documents. If any Field Order causes an increase or decrease in the Contract Amount or an extension or shortening of the Contract Time, an equitable adjustment will be made by issuing

a Change Order. If the Contractor accepts a Change Order that does not include a time extension, the Contractor waives any claim for additional time for the work covered by that Change Order. Additional or extra work performed by the Contractor without written authorization of a Field Order or Change Order will not entitle the Contractor to an increase in the Contract Amount or an extension of the Contract Time.

- 7.2.2 Extra work shall be that work not shown or detailed on the Contract Drawings and not specified. Such work shall be governed by all applicable provisions of the Contract Documents. In giving instructions, the Construction Manager shall have authority to make minor changes in the work, not involving extra cost, and not inconsistent with the purposes of the work; but otherwise, except in an emergency endangering life or property, no extra work or change shall be made unless in pursuance of a written order by the City through the Construction Manager, and no claim for an addition to the total amount of the Contract shall be valid unless so ordered.
- 7.2.3 In case any change increases or decreases the work shown, the Contractor shall be paid for the work actually done at a mutually agreed upon adjustment to the Contract price, based upon the provisions of Section 01035 - MODIFICATION PROCEDURES
- 7.2.4 If the Contractor refuses to accept a Change Order, the City may issue it unilaterally. The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of the Change Order. The City shall provide for an equitable adjustment to the Contract, and compensate the Contractor accordingly. If the Contractor does not agree that the adjustment is equitable, it may submit a claim in accordance with Paragraph 00700-7.5.2, Potential Claims/Change Orders.

### **7.3 Differing Site Conditions**

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 7104, the Contractor shall promptly, and before such conditions are disturbed, notify the Construction Manager in writing, of any:

- a. Material that the Contractor believes may be material that is hazardous waste, as defined in Section 25117 of the Health and Safety Code, that is required to be removed to a Class I, Class II, or Class III disposal site in accordance with provisions of existing law.
- b. Subsurface or latent physical conditions at the site differing from those indicated.
- c. Unknown physical conditions at the site of any unusual nature, differing materially from those ordinarily encountered and generally recognized as inherent in work of the character provided for in the Contract.

The City shall promptly, investigate the conditions, and if it finds that the conditions do materially differ, or do involve hazardous waste, and cause a decrease or increase in the Contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work the City shall cause to be issued a change order under the procedures provided in Paragraph 00700-7.2, Change Orders.

In the event that a dispute arises between the City and the Contractor whether the conditions materially differ, or involve hazardous waste, or cause a decrease or

increase in the Contractor's cost of, or time required for, performance of any part of the work, the Contractor shall not be excused from any scheduled completion date provided for by the Contract, but shall proceed with all work to be performed under the Contract. The Contractor shall retain any and all rights provided either by Contract or by law which pertain to the resolution of disputes and protests between the contracting parties, Paragraph 00700-7.5, Resolution of Disputes.

No claim of the Contractor under this clause shall be allowed unless the Contractor has given the notice required.

#### **7.4 Value Engineering Change Proposals (VECP)**

Refer to Section 01090, REFERENCES, for the definition of a Value Engineering Change Proposal.

7.4.1 Applicability - The provisions of this section shall apply only to Value Engineering Change Proposals (VECPs) resulting in net cost savings of Twenty Thousand dollars (\$20,000) or greater.

7.4.1.1 Future Changes - The Contractor is entitled to share in the net cost savings of the VECP to the full extent provided for in this section and in the change order implementing the VECP. However, the net cost savings shall not continue to subsequent contract change orders nor other modifications of the contract which may change the service provided or increase the quantity of any item related to the VECP.

7.4.2 VECP Submittal - The Contractor must submit all VECPs to the Construction Manager after receipt of the Notice To Proceed and prior to surpassing forty percent (40%) of the contract time allowed in Section 01010-3.0, Time Allowed For Completion. The number of copies of the VECP submitted shall be in accordance with that designated for submittals in Section 01300, SUBMITTALS.

The Contractor shall include the following information for each VECP, in a form acceptable to the Construction Manager:

- a. Description of the differences between the existing design and the proposed design.
- b. Description of the advantages and disadvantages of the existing design and the proposed design.
- c. If the function of an item is altered, the justification for altering that function.
- d. The effect of the proposed modifications on the performance of the system or facility.
- e. Any test data regarding the proposed modification.
- f. A listing and analysis of all design criteria and specifications that must be changed if the VECP is accepted.
- g. A separate detailed estimate of the impact on the project costs, together with a copy of the Contractor's approved schedule of values or costs.

- h. A description and estimate of costs the City may incur to implement the VECP, including, but not limited to, design changes, inspection, testing, and evaluation costs.
- i. A prediction of any effects the VECP may have on life-cycle costs.
- j. The effect of the VECP on design and construction schedules.
- k. All preliminary engineering data necessary to support approval of the VECP.

7.4.3 Acceptance of VECP by City - The City shall have sole discretion to determine whether or not to accept a VECP. The City's decision shall be final.

A VECP will be rejected if it causes an increase to the contract amount.

Within thirty (30) days after receipt of a VECP by the Construction Manager, the Contractor shall be notified in writing that the VECP is acceptable, rejected, or additional time is required for the Construction Manager's response.

If determined acceptable, the Construction Manager will initiate a contract change order to implement the VECP. A VECP which is acceptable shall be incorporated into the project only through a contract change order.

7.4.4 Contractor's Right to Withdraw VECP - The Contractor has the right to withdraw part or all of any VECP at any time prior to written acceptance by the City. Such withdrawal shall be made in writing. Each VECP submitted by the Contractor shall remain valid for a period of thirty (30) days from the date received, unless extended by the Construction Manager. If the Contractor desires to withdraw the VECP prior to its acceptance or rejection, the Contractor shall be liable for the costs incurred by the City in reviewing the VECP.

7.4.5 Change Order Content For Accepted VECP - The contract change order for an accepted VECP shall offer to the Contractor fifty percent (50%) of the net cost savings, as determined by the Construction Manager. The change order shall detail the cost savings of each contract item that is part of the final accepted VECP. The net cost savings shall be accomplished through progress payments for the various items of work listed in the contract change order.

7.4.6 Identical VECP - A VECP identical to a VECP submitted under any other contract, by the Contractor, or any other contractor, may also be submitted under this contract, provided that the VECP originated with such contractor and not with the City, Design Consultant, or Construction Manager.

7.4.7 Restrictions - The Contractor may restrict the City's right to use any VECP data by marking it with the following statement:

≡This data, furnished pursuant to the Value Engineering Change Proposal section of this contract, shall not be duplicated, used or disclosed, in whole or in part, for any purpose except to evaluate the VECP, unless the VECP is accepted by the City. This restriction does not limit the City's right to use information contained in this data if it is or has been obtained, or is otherwise available from the Contractor or from other sources, without limitations. When this VECP is accepted by the City, the City shall have the right to duplicate, use and disclose any data in any manner and for

any purpose whatsoever, and have others do so whether under this or any other contract.≡

## **7.5 Resolution of Disputes**

- 7.5.1 Contract Interpretation by the Construction Manager - Questions regarding the meaning and intent of the Contract Documents shall be referred in writing by the Contractor to the Construction Manager. Where practical, the Construction Manager shall respond to the Contractor in writing with a decision within ten (10) days of receipt of the request.

At the City=s discretion, the City may deduct from monies due the Contractor, time and expense costs incurred by the City, Construction Manager, and Design Consultant for reviewing and responding to unnecessary RFI=s. This may include RFI=s submitted to inquire about means, methods, or potential modifications for the Contractor=s convenience.

### **7.5.2 Potential Claims/Change Orders**

- 7.5.2.1 Notice - If the Contractor disagrees with the Construction Manager's decision in Paragraph 00700-7.5.1, Contract Interpretation by the Construction Manager, or in any case where the Contractor deems additional compensation or a time extension to the Contract period is due the Contractor for work or materials not covered in the Contract or which the Construction Manager has not recognized as extra work, the Contractor shall notify the Construction Manager, in writing, of its intention to make a claim or request a change order. Potential claims or change orders pertaining to decisions provided in Paragraph 00700-7.5.1 or such other determinations by the Construction Manager shall be filed in writing to the Construction Manager within five (5) days of receipt of such decision. All other potential claim/change order notices shall be filed in writing to the Construction Manager prior to the commencement of such work. Written notice shall use the words "Notice of Potential Claim/Change Order". Such Notice of Potential Claim/Change Order shall state the circumstances and the reasons for the claim, but need not state the amount.

Additionally, no claim for additional compensation or extension of time for a delay will be considered unless the provisions of Paragraphs 00700-6.3, Delays, and 6.4, Time Extensions, are complied with. No claim filed after the date of final payment will be considered.

It is agreed that unless notice is properly given, the Contractor shall not recover costs incurred by it as a result of the alleged extra work, changed work or other situation which had proper notice been given would have given rise to a right for additional compensation. The Contractor should understand that timely notice of potential claims and change orders is of great importance to the Construction Manager and City, and is not merely a formality. Such notice allows the City to consider preventative action, to monitor the Contractor's increased costs resulting from the situation, to marshal facts, and to plan its affairs. Such notice by the Contractor, and the fact that the Construction Manager has kept account of the cost as aforesaid, shall not in any way be construed as proving the validity of the claim.

- 7.5.2.2 Records of Disputed Work - In proceeding with a disputed portion of the Work, the Contractor shall keep accurate records of its costs and shall make available each day, to the Construction Manager or his designated representative, a daily summary of the hours and classification of equipment and labor utilized on the disputed work, as well as a summary of any materials or any specialized services used. Such

information shall be submitted to the Construction Manager on a weekly basis, receipt of which shall not be construed as an authorization for or acceptance of the disputed work.

It is the intent of this section that these records be provided such that the Construction Manager and Contractor can determine and agree upon the Contractor's daily effort expended on the disputed work and determine accurate costs for the disputed work. Such determination shall not be construed as authorization for or acceptance of the disputed work.

7.5.2.3 Submission of Costs - Within 30 days after the last cost of work for which the Contractor contends it is due additional compensation is incurred, but if costs are incurred over a span of more than 30 days, then within 15 days after the thirtieth day and every month thereafter, the Contractor shall submit to the Construction Manager, as best the Contractor is able, its costs incurred for the claimed matter. Claims shall be made in itemized detail and should the Construction Manager be dissatisfied with format or detail of presentation, upon request for more or different information, the Contractor will promptly comply, to the satisfaction of the Construction Manager. If the additional costs are in any respect not knowable with certainty, they shall be estimated as best can be done. In case the claim is found to be just, it shall be allowed and paid for as provided in Section 01035, MODIFICATION PROCEDURES.

7.5.2.4 Meetings - From time to time the Construction Manager may call a special meeting to discuss outstanding claims and potential change orders should it deem this of possible help. The Contractor shall cooperate and attend prepared to discuss its claims, making available the personnel necessary for resolution, and all documents which may reasonably be requested by the Construction Manager.

## 8.0 PAYMENT

### 8.1 Scope of Payment

8.1.1 General - The Contractor shall accept the compensation, as herein provided, as full payment for furnishing all labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals necessary for completing the Work according to the Contract Documents, and no additional compensation will be allowed therefor. Neither the payment of any partial payment estimate nor of any retained percentage shall relieve the Contractor of any obligation to make good any defective work or material.

8.1.2 Payment for Patents and Patent Infringement - All fees or claims for any patented invention, article, or arrangement that may be used upon, or in any manner connected with, the performance of the work or any part thereof shall be included in the price bid for doing the work, and the Contractor and its sureties shall defend, protect, and hold the City, the Construction Manager, and Design Consultants, together with all their officers, agents, and employees harmless against liability of any nature or kind for any and all costs, legal expenses, and damages made for such fees or claims and against any and all suits and claims brought or made by the holder of any invention or patent, or on account of any patented or unpatented invention, process, article, or appliance manufactured for or used in the performance of the Contract, including its use by the City, unless otherwise specifically stipulated in the Contract. Before final payment is made on the Contract, the Contractor shall furnish an affidavit to the City regarding patent rights for the project. The affidavit shall state that all fees and payments due as a result of the work incorporated into the project or methods utilized during construction have been paid in full. The

Contractor shall certify in the affidavit that no other fees or claims exist for work in this project.

- 8.1.3 Payment of Taxes - The Contractor shall pay and shall assume exclusive liability for all taxes levied or assessed on or in connection with the Contractor's performance of this Contract, including, but not limited to, State and local sales and use taxes, Federal and State payroll taxes or assessments, and excise taxes, and no separate allowance will be made therefor, and all costs in connection therewith shall be included in the total amount of the Contract price.
- 8.1.4 Payment for Labor and Materials - The Contractor shall pay and require its subcontractors to pay any and all accounts for labor including worker's compensation premiums, state unemployment and federal social security payments and other wage and salary deductions required by law. The Contractor also shall pay and cause its subcontractors to pay any and all accounts for services, equipment, and materials used by the Contractor and its subcontractors during the performance of work under this Contract. Such accounts shall be paid as they become due and payable. If requested by the City, the Contractor shall furnish proof of payment of such accounts to the City.

## **8.2 Partial Payments**

In consideration of the faithful performance of the work prosecuted in accordance with the provisions of these Specifications and the Contract, the City will pay the Contractor for all such work installed on the basis of percentage completion. Amounts earned will be based on accepted Cost Breakdown (Section 01025, MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT).

Payments will be made by the City to the Contractor on estimates duly certified and approved by the Construction Manager, based on the value of equipment installed and tested, labor and materials incorporated into said permanent work by the Contractor during the preceding month, and acceptable materials and equipment on hand (materials and equipment furnished and delivered to the site by the Contractor and not yet incorporated into the work accompanied by an approved invoice). Payments will not be made for temporary construction unless specifically provided for in the Contract Documents.

Partial payments will be made monthly based on work accomplished as of a day mutually agreed between the City and the Contractor. Prior to submitting its payment estimate, the Contractor shall meet with the Construction Manager to reach agreement on the percent completion and materials on hand for that payment period.

The Contractor shall submit its estimate of the work completed during the prior month and the work completed to date in a format acceptable to the Construction Manager and corresponding to the accepted cost breakdown. Additionally, the Contractor shall submit a detailed statement of the Contractor's request for payment of acceptable materials and equipment on hand in compliance with Paragraph 00700-8.3, Partial Payments - Inclusion of Materials on Hand. Upon receipt of Contractor's requests for payment, the City shall act in accordance with the following:

- a. The Construction Manager shall review the submitted estimates, as soon as practical after receipt, for the purpose of determining that the estimates are a proper request for payment, and shall prepare a certified estimate of the total amount of work done and acceptable materials and equipment on hand.

b. Any request for payment determined not to be a proper payment request suitable for payment shall be returned to the Contractor as soon as practicable, but not later than seven (7) days after receipt. A request for payment returned pursuant to this paragraph shall be accompanied by a document setting forth in writing the reasons why the request for payment is not proper.

c. The number of days available to the City to make a payment without incurring interest pursuant to this section shall be reduced by the number of days by which the City exceeds the seven (7) day return requirement set forth in subdivision (b) above.

Payment will be made by the City to the Contractor in accordance with City's normal accounts payable procedures; the City shall retain amounts in accordance with Paragraph 00700-8.4, Right to Withhold Amounts.

No such estimate or payment shall be required to be made, when in the judgement of the Construction Manager, the Work is not proceeding in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, or when in the Construction Manager's judgement the total value of the Work done since the last estimate amounts to less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Additionally, no payments shall be made until the Construction Manager has received an acceptable monthly schedule update covering the latest required period.

Subject to the provisions of this section, the City shall pay the Contractor within thirty (30) days after receipt of undisputed and properly submitted requests for payment from the Contractor. In accordance with Public Contract Code, if the City fails to pay an undisputed request for payment within the allotted thirty (30) days, the City shall pay interest to the Contractor equivalent to the legal rate set forth in the Code of Civil Procedure.

### **8.3 Partial Payments - Inclusion of Materials on Hand**

Materials, as used herein, shall be considered to be those items which are fabricated and manufactured goods and equipment. Only those materials for which the Contractor can transfer clear title to the City will be qualified for partial payment. The Contractor may request payment of seventy-five (75) percent of the actual net cost of these materials.

To receive partial payment for materials and equipment delivered to the Site, but not incorporated in the Work, it shall be necessary for the Contractor to submit to the Construction Manager a list of such materials, at least seven (7) days prior to submitting the monthly estimate of amount earned for work completed. At the Construction Manager's sole discretion, the Construction Manager will approve items for which partial payment is to be made subject to the following:

- a. Only equipment or materials which have received favorable review of shop drawings will qualify.
- b. Eligible equipment or materials must be delivered and properly stored, protected, and maintained in a manner favorably reviewed by the Construction Manager, at the job site or at a bonded warehouse.
- c. The Contractor's actual net cost for the materials must be supported by paid invoices of suppliers, or other documentation requested by the Construction Manager.

- d. Materials or equipment delivered to the Site less than thirty (30) days prior to their scheduled incorporation in the Work shall not qualify.
- e. Final payment shall be made only for materials actually incorporated in the Work. Upon acceptance of the Work, all materials remaining for which advance payments had been made shall revert to the Contractor, unless otherwise agreed, and partial payments made for these items shall be deducted from the final payment for the Work.
- f. Partial payments for materials and equipment on hand shall not be deemed to be final payment for the material nor relieve the Contractor of its obligations under the Contract.
- g. Partial payments for materials and equipment on hand shall be subject to retention in accordance with Paragraph 00700-8.4., Right to Withhold Amounts.

#### **8.4 Right to Withhold Amounts**

- 8.4.1 Retention - The City will deduct from each partial payment and retain as part security, ten (10) percent of the amount earned until the final payment.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code, for monies earned by the Contractor and withheld by the City to ensure the performance of the Contract, the Contractor, may, at his or her option, choose to substitute securities meeting the requirements of said Code. In the event the Contractor wishes to choose this option, the Contractor shall enter into an escrow agreement with the City, and the escrow agent, a qualified bank to be chosen by City, in the form of the agreement included in the project specifications. The costs of such escrow shall be paid by the Contractor. The securities to be deposited in said escrow account shall be equivalent, in fair market value, to the amount to be withheld as performance retention. The securities shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code, and the implementing agreement.

Contractor shall have the obligation of ensuring that such securities deposited are sufficient so as to maintain, in total fair market value, an amount equal to the cash amount of the sums to be withheld under the Contract. If, upon written notice from the City, or from the appropriate escrow agent, indicating that the fair market value of the securities has dropped below the dollar amount of monies to be withheld by the City to ensure performance, Contractor shall, within five days of the date of such notice, post additional securities as necessary to ensure that the total fair market value of all such securities held by the City, or in escrow, is equivalent to the amount of money to be withheld by the City under the Contract.

Any Contractor wishing to exercise this option shall give notice in writing to City, and shall thereafter execute an escrow agreement in the following form:

ESCROW AGREEMENT FOR  
SECURITY DEPOSITS IN LIEU OF RETENTION

This Escrow Agreement is made and entered into by and between;

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whose address is \_\_\_\_\_

hereinafter called "City", and \_\_\_\_\_

whose address is \_\_\_\_\_

hereinafter called "Contractor", and \_\_\_\_\_

whose address is \_\_\_\_\_

hereinafter called "Escrow Agent."

For the consideration hereinafter set forth, the City, Contractor, and Escrow Agent agree as follows:

1. Pursuant to the Public Contract Code of the State of California, Contractor has the option to deposit securities which meet the requirements set forth in said Code, with Escrow Agent, as a substitute for retention earnings required to be withheld by City pursuant to the Construction Contract entered into between City and Contractor for \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract"). Alternatively, on written request of the Contractor, the City shall make payments of the retention earnings directly to the Escrow Agent. When Contractor deposits the securities as a substitute for Contract earnings, the Escrow Agent shall notify the City within 10 days of the deposit. The market value of the securities at the time of the substitution shall be at least equal to the cash amount then required to be withheld as retention under the terms of the Contract between the City and Contractor. Securities shall be held in the name of City, and shall designate the Contractor as the beneficial owner.
2. City shall make progress payments to Contractor for such funds which otherwise would be withheld from progress payments pursuant to the Contract provisions, provided that the Escrow Agent holds securities in the form and amount specified above.
3. When the City makes payment of retention earned directly to the Escrow Agent the Escrow Agent shall hold them for the benefit of the Contractor until such time as the escrow created under this Contract is terminated. The Contractor may direct the investment of the payments into securities. All terms and conditions of this agreement and the rights and responsibilities of the parties shall be equally applicable and binding when the City pays the Escrow Agent directly.
4. Contractor shall be responsible for paying all fees for the expenses incurred by Escrow Agent in administering the Escrow Account, and all expenses of the City. These expenses and payment terms shall be determined by the City, Contractor, and Escrow Agent.

5. The interest earned on the securities or the money market accounts held in escrow and all interest earned on that interest shall be for the sole account of Contractor and shall be subject to withdrawal by Contractor at any time and from time to time without notice to the City.
6. Contractor shall have the right to withdraw all or any part of the principal in the Escrow Account only by written notice to Escrow Agent accompanied by written authorization from City to the Escrow Agent that City consents to the withdrawal of the amount sought to be withdrawn by Contractor.
7. The City shall have a right to draw upon the securities in the event of default by the Contractor. Upon seven days' written notice to the Escrow Agent from the City of the default, the Escrow Agent shall immediately convert the securities to cash and shall distribute the cash as instructed by the City.
8. Upon receipt of written notification from the City certifying that the Contract is final and complete, and that the Contractor has complied with all requirements and procedures applicable to the Contract, Escrow Agent shall release to Contractor all securities and interest on deposit less escrow fees and charges of the Escrow Account. The escrow shall be closed immediately upon disbursement of all moneys and securities on deposit and payments of fees and charges.
9. Escrow Agent shall rely on the written notifications from the City and the Contractor pursuant to Sections (4) to (6), inclusive, of this Agreement, and City and Contractor shall hold Escrow Agent harmless from Escrow Agent's release and disbursement of the securities and interest as set forth above.
10. The names of the persons who are authorized to give written notice or to receive written notice on behalf of the City and on behalf of Contractor in connection with the foregoing, and exemplars of their respective signatures are as follows:

On Behalf of City:

On Behalf of Contractor:

\_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

On Behalf of Escrow Agent:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

At the time the Escrow Account is opened, City and Contractor shall deliver to the Escrow Agent a fully executed counterpart of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement by their proper officers on the date first set forth above.

CITY:

CONTRACTOR:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

8.4.2 Other Withholds - In addition to the amount which the City may otherwise retain under the Contract, the City may withhold a sufficient amount or amounts of any payment or payments otherwise due the Contractor, as in its judgement may be necessary to cover:

- a. Payments which may be past due and payable for just claims against the Contractor or any subcontractor for labor or materials furnished for the performance of this Contract.
- b. Defective work not remedied.
- c. Failure of the Contractor to make proper payments to its subcontractors or suppliers.
- d. A reasonable doubt that the Contract can be completed for the balance then unpaid.
- e. Damage to another Contractor or third party, or to property.
- f. Failure of the Contractor to keep its work progressing in accordance with its progress schedule or maintaining current "As-Built" record drawings.
- g. The City's costs for the Contractor's failure to complete within the allowed time.
- h. Cost of insurance arranged by the City due to cancellation or reduction of the Contractor's insurance.
- i. Failure of the Contractor to make proper submissions, as herein specified.
- j. Failure to submit, revise, resubmit, or otherwise conform to the requirements herein for preparing and maintaining a construction schedule.
- k. Payments due the City from the Contractor.
- l. Reduction of Contract Amount because of modifications.
- m. The Contractor's neglect or unsatisfactory prosecution of the work including failure to clean up.
- n. Provisions of law that enable or require the City to withhold such payments in whole or in part.

When the above reasons for withhold amounts are removed, payment may be made to the Contractor for amounts withheld.

The City in its discretion may apply any withheld amount or amounts to the payment of valid claims. In so doing, the City shall be deemed the agent of the Contractor, and any payment so made by the City shall be considered as a payment made under the Contract by the City to the Contractor, and the City shall not be liable to the Contractor for such payment made in good faith. Such payments may be made without prior judicial determination of the claim or claims. The City will render to the Contractor a proper accounting of such funds disbursed in behalf of the Contractor.

## **8.5 Substantial Completion**

When the Contractor considers that the Work is substantially complete, the Contractor shall notify the Construction Manager in writing. Upon receipt of the notification, the Construction Manager, the City and/or their authorized representatives will make inspection, to determine if the Work is sufficiently complete in accordance with the Contract Documents so the City can occupy or utilize the Work for its intended use. If items are found which prevent such use or occupancy, the Construction Manager shall notify the Contractor in writing of such items.

Upon the completion of such corrective work, the Contractor shall so notify the Construction Manager in writing. The Construction Manager shall inspect the Work to determine its acceptability for Substantial Completion and for determination of other items which do not meet the terms of the Contract. Upon verification that the project is substantially complete the Construction Manager shall prepare a Certificate of Substantial Completion. The Certificate shall establish the date of Substantial Completion and the responsibilities of the City and Contractor for security, maintenance, heat, utilities, damage to the Work and insurance, commencement of warranties required by the Contract Documents, and shall fix the time, not to exceed 60 days, within which the Contractor shall finish all items on the punch list accompanying the Certificate. When the preceding provisions have been approved by both the City and the Contractor, they shall sign the Certificate to acknowledge their written acceptance of the responsibilities assigned to them in such Certificate. By such acknowledgement, the Contractor agrees to pay the City's actual costs including, but not limited to, charges for engineering, inspection and administration incurred due to the failure to complete the punchlist within the time period provided in the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

## **8.6 Final Inspection and Payment**

Upon completion of the Work, and upon completion of final cleaning, the Contractor shall so notify the Construction Manager in writing. Upon receipt of the notification, the Construction Manager, the City and/or their authorized representatives will make the final inspection, to determine the actual status of the Work in accordance with the terms of the Contract. If materials, equipment, or workmanship are found which do not meet the terms of the Contract, the Construction Manager shall prepare a punch list of such items and submit it to the Contractor. Following completion of the corrective work by the Contractor, the Construction Manager shall notify the City that the Work, has been completed in accordance with the Contract. Final determination of the acceptability of the Work shall be made by the City. After completion of the work, but prior to its acceptance by the City, the last partial payment will be made to the Contractor in accordance with Paragraph 00700-8.2, Partial Payments.

After receipt of the last partial payment, but prior to acceptance of the Work by the City, the Contractor shall send a letter to the Construction Manager. The letter shall state that acceptance of the final payment described below shall operate as and shall be, a release to the City, the Construction Manager, the Design Consultant, and their duly authorized agents, from all claims of and/or liability to the Contract arising by virtue of the Contract related to those amounts. Disputed Contract claims in stated amounts previously filed as provided in Paragraph 00700-7.5, Potential Claims/Change Orders, may be specifically excluded by the Contractor from the operation of the release.

Following receipt of all required submittals and the Construction Manager's written statement that construction is complete and recommendation that the City accept the project, the City will take formal action on acceptance.

Within ten (10) days of the acceptance by the City of the completed work embraced in the Contract, the City will cause to be recorded in the office of the County Recorder a Notice of Completion.

Thirty-five (35) days after recording the Notice of Completion of the work involved in the Contract, the City will pay the Contractor in lawful money such sums of money as may be due the Contractor including all sums retained but excluding such sums as have previously been paid the Contractor. This payment will constitute the final payment to the Contractor under this Contract.

### **8.7 Warranty of Title**

No material, supplies, or equipment for the work under this Contract shall be purchased subject to any chattel mortgage, security agreement, or under a conditional sale or other agreement by which an interest therein or any part thereof is retained by the seller or supplier. The Contractor warrants good title to all material, supplies, and equipment installed or incorporated in the work and agrees upon completion of all work to deliver the premises, together with all improvements and appurtenances constructed or placed thereon by the Contractor, to the City free from any claim, liens, security interest, or charges, and further agrees that neither the Contractor nor any person, firm, or corporation furnishing any materials or labor for any work covered by this Contract shall have any right to a lien upon the premises or any improvement or appurtenances thereon.

### **9.0 EXISTING UTILITIES**

#### **9.1 General**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 4216, et. seq., the Contractor shall notify the appropriate notification center, U.S.A., 1-800-642-2444.

#### **9.2 Notification and Location**

At least two (2) working days before performing any excavation work, the Contractor shall request the utility owners to mark or otherwise indicate the location of their service.

It shall be the Contractor's responsibility to determine the exact location and depth of all utilities, including service connections, which have been marked by the respective owners and which the Contractor believes may affect or be affected by the Contractor's operations. If no pay item is provided in the Contract for this work, full compensation for such work shall be considered as included in the prices bid for other items of work.

#### **9.3 Damage and Protection**

The Contractor shall immediately notify the Construction Manager and utility owner of any damage to a utility.

For work within a public right of way or utility easement, the party responsible for the cost of repairing and/or relocating damaged utilities shall be as follows:

Description	Responsible Party
a. Utility mains delineated incorrectly on City's plans	City/Utility Company
b. Utility mains delineated correctly on City's plans but information provided incorrectly by utility company	Utility Company
c. Utility mains not shown on City's plan	Utility Company
d. Utility mains incorrectly marked in the field by utility company	Utility Company
e. Utility mains incorrectly marked and/or delineated on City's plans	Contractor
f. Utility service laterals whether indicated or not indicated on plans and whether correctly or incorrectly shown on City's plans	Contractor

#### 9.4 Utility Relocation and Rearrangement

The right is reserved to the City and the owners of utilities or their authorized agents to enter upon the Work area for the purpose of making such changes as are necessary for the rearrangement of their facilities or for making necessary connections or repairs to their properties. The Contractor shall cooperate with forces engaged in such work and shall conduct its operations in such a manner as to avoid any unnecessary delay or hindrance to the work being performed by such forces and shall allow the respective utilities time to relocate their facility.

The Contractor assumes responsibility for the removal, relocation, or protection of existing facilities wherein said facilities are identified by the Plans, field located by a utility company, or as provided for in the General Requirements. The Contractor shall coordinate with the owner of utility facilities for the rearrangement of said facilities.

In the event that underground utilities are found that are not shown in the Contract Documents or are found to exist in a different location than shown in the Contract Documents, the Contractor shall: (1) notify the Construction Manager of the existence of said facilities immediately; and (2) take steps to ascertain the exact location of all underground facilities prior to doing work that may damage such facilities.

Requests for extensions of time arising out of utility rearrangement delays shall be determined by Construction Manager. In accordance with Government Code Section 4215 the Contractor shall not be assessed liquidated damages for delay in completion of the project, when such delay is caused by the failure of the City or utility company to provide for the removal or relocation of facilities for which they are the responsible party as defined in Paragraph 00700-9.3, Damage and Protection.

Where it is determined by the Construction Manager that the rearrangement of an underground main, the existence of which is not shown on the Plans, Specifications, or in the General Requirements, is essential in order to accommodate the contemplated improvement, the Construction Manager will provide for the rearrangement of such facility by other forces or by the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 00700-7.2, Change Orders.

When the General Requirements, Specifications, or Plans indicate that a utility is to be relocated, altered or constructed by others, the City will conduct all negotiations with the utility company and the work will be done at no cost to the Contractor.

Temporary or permanent relocation or alteration of utilities desired by the Contractor for its own convenience shall be the Contractor's responsibility and it shall make arrangements and bear all costs.

\*\*\*\*END OF SECTION\*\*\*\*