

SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this 7th day of March, 2023, by and between the **City of Missoula**, a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Montana, 435 Ryman, Missoula, Montana 59802, hereinafter referred to as “City”, and Sprinkler Maniac, LLC, whose principal place of business is located at 2203 Stephens Avenue, Missoula, MT 59801, hereinafter referred to as “Contractor.”

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the City desires to utilize Contractor to furnish independent services in connection with landscaping tasks for the upcoming summer and fall season; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has represented to the City that Contractor has the necessary expertise to furnish said services and has available to Contractor the necessary staff and resources to perform the independent services in a timely manner consistent with the nature of the project.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

1. **Purpose:** The City desires to have Contractor perform services as outlined in the Scope of Services, attached as Exhibit A.

2. **Effective Date:** This Agreement is effective upon the date of its execution by both parties and will terminate on October 31, 2023, or upon 30 days’ notice by the City to Contractor of its desire to terminate the Agreement by giving such notice to Contractor’s designated liaison identified below.

3. **Scope of Work:**

a. Contractor will perform the work and provide the services in accordance with the requirements of the Scope of Services attached here to as Exhibit A; and

b. If authorized in writing as provided in this subsection, Contractor shall also furnish additional services. To the extent additional services have been identified at the time of executing this Agreement, they are itemized in Exhibit A and will be paid for by the City as indicated in Section 4. As further additional services are requested of Contractor, this Agreement may be modified and subject to mutual consent by execution of an addendum by authorized representatives of both parties, setting forth the additional scope of services, their performance time schedule, and the compensation for such services.

4. **Payment:**

a. The City agrees to pay Contractor for services outlined in Exhibit A at a cost not to exceed **One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$110,000.00)** and Contractor shall be

compensated for additional services authorized pursuant to Section 3.b. above, which have not been identified at the time of executing this Agreement as more particularly described in a fully approved and executed addendum to this Agreement. Payment for work beyond that described in Exhibit A or as contained in a fully approved and executed addendum to this Agreement is expressly denied without prior written authorization from the City. Such authorization must include signature of the Public Works Director.

b. Contractor shall submit monthly statements for basic and additional services rendered. The City shall pay Contractor within 30 days of receipt of an itemized invoice for the services rendered or shall notify Contractor of any dispute by the City concerning the performance of any services and the basis therefore and shall pay Contractor within thirty days for the services not in dispute. If any items are disputed by the City, Contractor and representatives of the City shall meet and confer regarding the disputed items within ten business days after the City notifies Contractor of the services in dispute. The City shall pay for any disputed services for which the dispute has been resolved to the satisfaction of the City within thirty days after such resolution.

5. Independent Contractor Status: The parties agree that Contractor is an independent contractor for purposes of this Agreement and is not to be considered an employee of the City for any purpose. Contractor is not subject to the terms and provisions of the City's personnel policies handbook and may not be considered a City employee for workers' compensation or any other purpose. Contractor is not authorized to represent the City or otherwise bind the City in any dealings between Contractor and any third parties.

Contractor shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Workers' Compensation Act, Title 39, Chapter 71, MCA, and the Occupational Disease Act of Montana, Title 39, Chapter 71, MCA. Contractor shall maintain workers' compensation coverage for all members and employees of Contractor's business, except for those members who are exempted by law.

Contractor shall furnish the City with copies showing one of the following: **(1)** a binder for workers' compensation coverage by an insurer licensed and authorized to provide workers' compensation insurance in the State of Montana; or **(2)** proof of exemption from workers' compensation granted by law for independent contractors.

6. Indemnity and Insurance: To the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless against claims, demands, suits, damages, losses, and expenses connected therewith that may be asserted or claimed against, recovered from or suffered by the City by reason of any injury or loss, including but not limited to, personal injury, including bodily injury or death, property damage, occasioned by, growing out of, or in any way arising or resulting from any intentional or negligent act on the part of Contractor or Contractor's agents or employees.

For the professional services rendered, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold the City harmless against claims, demands, suits, damages, losses, and expenses, including reasonable defense attorney fees, to the extent caused by the negligence

or willful misconduct of the Contractor or Contractor's agents or employees.

For this purpose, Contractor shall provide the City with proof of Contractor's liability insurance issued by a reliable company or companies for personal injury and property damage in amounts not less than as follows:

- Workers' Compensation - statutory
- Employers' Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 annual aggregate
- Commercial General Liability - \$1,000,000 per occurrence; \$2,000,000 annual aggregate
- Automobile Liability - \$1,000,000 property damage/bodily injury; \$2,000,000 annual aggregate

The City shall be included or named as an additional or named insured on the Commercial General and Automobile Liability policies. The insurance must be in a form suitable to the City.

7. Professional Service: Contractor agrees that all services and work performed hereunder will be accomplished in a professional manner.

8. Compliance with Laws: Contractor agrees to comply with all federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, including the safety rules, codes, and provisions of the Montana Safety Act in Title 50, Chapter 71, MCA. Contractor agrees to obtain, and maintain for the duration of its work for the City pursuant to this Agreement a City business license. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the City

will make no payments under this Agreement until a valid City business license has been obtained.

9. Nondiscrimination: Consultant agrees and shall comply with the following Non-Discrimination policy:

NON-DISCRIMINATION. All hiring shall be on the basis of merit and qualification and there shall be no discrimination in employment on the basis race, ancestry, color, physical or mental disability, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital or familial status, creed, ex-offender status, physical condition, political belief, public assistance status, vaccination status, or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, except where these criteria are reasonable bona fide occupational qualifications.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY. Contractors, subcontractors, sub grantees, and other firms doing business with the City of Missoula must be in compliance with the City of Missoula's Affirmative Action Plan, and Title 49 Montana Codes Annotated, entitled "Human Rights" or forfeit the right to continue such business dealings.

The City's Affirmative Action Policy Statement is:

The Mayor of the City of Missoula or the Mayor's designee may adopt an affirmative action plan to provide all persons equal opportunity for employment without regard to race,

ancestry, color, handicap, religion, creed, national origin, sex, age, vaccination status, or marital status. In keeping with this commitment, we are assigning to all department heads and their staff the responsibility to actively facilitate equal employment opportunity for all present employees, applicants, and trainees. This responsibility shall include assurance that employment decisions are based on furthering the principle of equal employment opportunity by imposing only valid requirements for employment and assuring that all human resource actions are administered on the basis of job necessity.

Specific responsibility for developing, implementing, monitoring and reporting are assigned to the City Personnel staff under the supervision and direction of the Chief Administrative Officer and the Mayor.

It is the policy of the City of Missoula to eliminate any practice or procedure that discriminates illegally or has an adverse impact on an "affected" class. Equal opportunity shall be provided for all City employees during their terms of employment. All applicants for City employment shall be employed on the basis of their qualifications and abilities.

The City of Missoula, where practical, shall utilize minority owned enterprises and shall ensure that subcontractors and vendors comply with this policy. Failure of subcontractors and vendors to comply with this policy statement shall jeopardize initial, continued, or renewed funds.

Our commitment is intended to promote equal opportunity in all employment practices and provide a positive program of affirmative action for the City of Missoula, its employees, program participants, trainees and applicants.

10. Default and Termination: If either party fails to comply with any condition of this Agreement at the time or in the manner provided for, the other party, at its option, may terminate this Agreement and be released from all obligations if the default is not cured within ten days after written notice is provided to the defaulting party. Said notice shall set forth the items to be cured. Additionally, the non-defaulting party may bring suit for damages, specific performance, and any other remedy provided by law. These remedies are cumulative and not exclusive. Use of one remedy does not preclude use of the others.

The City may terminate this Agreement at any time by giving written notice to Contractor's liaison of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof at least thirty days before the effective date of such termination. If this Agreement is terminated by the City as provided herein, Contractor shall be paid for all work done pursuant to this Agreement until the date of termination.

Notices shall be provided in writing and hand-delivered or mailed to the parties at the addresses set forth in the first paragraph of this Agreement.

11. Modification and Assignability: This document contains the entire agreement between the parties and no statements, promises or inducements made by either party or agents of

either party, which are not contained in this written Agreement, may be considered valid or binding. This Agreement may not be enlarged, modified or altered except by written agreement signed by both parties hereto. The Contractor may not subcontract or assign Contractor's rights, including the right to compensation or duties arising hereunder, without the prior written consent of the City. Any subcontractor or assignee will be bound by all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

12. Ownership and Publication of Materials: All reports, information, data, and other materials prepared by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement are the property of the City. The City has the exclusive and unrestricted authority to release, publish or otherwise use, in whole or part, information relating thereto. Any re-use without written verification or adaptation by the Contractor for the specific purpose intended will be at the City's sole risk and without liability or legal exposure to the Contractor. No material produced in whole or in part under this Agreement may be copyrighted or patented in the United States or in any other country without the prior written approval of the City.

13. Liaison: The City's designated liaison with Contractor is Gene Connell, and Contractor's designated liaison with the City is John Cuddy.

14 Applicability: This Agreement and any extensions hereof shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Montana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this instrument the day and year first above written.

CITY OF MISSOULA

CONTRACTOR

Jordan Hess, Mayor

Sprinkler Maniac, LLC

ATTEST

FORM AND CONTENT

Martha L. Rehbein, CMC, City Clerk

Jim Nugent, City Attorney