



**TOWN OF NANTUCKET**  
**AGREEMENT BETWEEN**  
**THE TOWN OF NANTUCKET**  
**AND**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS GROUP, LLC**

<i>Town of Nantucket Use Only</i>	
Contract No. _____	
PO No. _____	
Vendor No. <b>96041</b>	

THIS AGREEMENT made effective a **August 2, 2023**, by and between the **TOWN OF NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS**, a municipal corporation, acting by and through its Town Administration, with offices at Town Hall, Nantucket, Massachusetts 02554 (hereinafter called the "TOWN"), and **ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS GROUP, LLC** whose principal office address and state of incorporation are as set forth on **Exhibit A** (hereinafter called the "CONTRACTOR").

**RECITALS:**

WHEREAS, the TOWN desires to retain the CONTRACTOR to provide certain services for the TOWN, as described below, and the CONTRACTOR is willing to accept such engagement, all on the terms hereinafter set forth,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1 - ENGAGEMENT OF THE CONTRACTOR**

- 1.1 The TOWN hereby engages the CONTRACTOR, and the CONTRACTOR hereby accepts the engagement to perform certain services for the TOWN, as described in Article 2.
- 1.2 In the performance of any service under this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR acts at all times as an independent contractor. There is no relationship of employment or agency between the TOWN, on the one hand, and the CONTRACTOR, on the other, and the TOWN shall not have or exercise any control or direction over the method by which the CONTRACTOR performs its work or functions aside from such control or directions which are consistent with the independent contractor relationship contemplated in the Agreement.

**ARTICLE 2 - SERVICES OF THE CONTRACTOR**

- 2.1 The CONTRACTOR will perform the services described in the Scope of Services set forth on **Exhibit B** (the "Work").

- 2.2 The CONTRACTOR shall report, and be responsible, to the TOWN and its designee (if any) as set forth on **Exhibit A**.
- 2.3 There shall be no amendment to the Scope of Services or Work provided for in this Agreement without the written approval of the TOWN. The TOWN shall be under no obligation to pay for any services performed by the CONTRACTOR which are not explicitly agreed to by the TOWN in writing.
- 2.4 The CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to the TOWN that the CONTRACTOR (including all of its personnel, whether employees, agents or independent contractors) will be qualified and duly licensed (if necessary) to perform the services required by this Agreement and further agrees to perform its services in a professional manner, and in accordance with the reasonable standard of care implied by law and all applicable local, state or federal ordinances, laws, rules and regulations, all of which are incorporated herein by reference. The CONTRACTOR will obtain and pay for any and all permits, bonds and other items required for the proper and legal performance of the Work.
- 2.5 The CONTRACTOR represents and warrants to the TOWN that it is not a party to any agreement contract or understanding which would in any way restricts or prohibits it from undertaking or performing its obligations hereunder in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 2.6 All written materials and any other documents (whether in the form of “hard” copies, graphics, magnetic media or otherwise) which are received and produced by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be “work for hire” and shall be and become the property of the TOWN upon the receipt and production of such items by the CONTRACTOR. The TOWN acknowledges that such materials are being prepared with respect to the specific project contemplated hereby and that any reuse of such materials by the TOWN in connection with any other project shall be at the TOWN’s sole risk, unless otherwise agreed to by the CONTRACTOR in writing.
- 2.7 This is a CDM design. EP shall assume no liability for errors or omissions arising from the performance of the design by CDM. The CONTRACTOR shall perform its work under this Agreement in such a competent and professional manner that detailed checking and reviewing by the TOWN shall not be necessary. The CONTRACTOR shall supervise and direct the Work, using its best skills and attention, which shall not be less than such state of skill and attention generally rendered by the design and engineering profession for projects similar to the subject project in scope, difficulty, and location.
- 2.8 The CONTRACTOR shall not use any subcontractors or sub-consultants (not identified herein) for any work required under this Agreement unless such use has been approved in advance in writing by the TOWN.
- 2.9 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the CONTRACTOR shall not be relieved of its obligations under this Agreement by the TOWN’s performance, or

failure to perform, any of the TOWN's administrative duties under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the TOWN's review and/or approval of plans, estimates, programs, documents, materials, work and services furnished by CONTRACTOR.

### ARTICLE 3 - PERIOD OF SERVICES

- 3.1 Unless otherwise provided on **Exhibit A**, the term of this Agreement shall commence on the date hereof and continue until the Work is completed to the TOWN's reasonable satisfaction.
- 3.2 The CONTRACTOR shall proceed with the Work promptly after receiving Notice to Proceed and will diligently and faithfully prosecute the Work to completion in accordance with the provisions hereof. In any event, the Work shall be completed no later than the date set forth on **Exhibit A**. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that time is of the essence of this Agreement.
- 3.3 If the CONTRACTOR is delayed in the performance of any of its obligations under this Agreement by the occurrence of an unforeseen event beyond its control such as fire or other casualty, abnormal adverse weather conditions, acts of God (collectively, "Unavoidable Events") which materially and adversely affect its ability to perform the Work, then the time for the CONTRACTOR to perform the Work shall be extended for such time as the TOWN shall reasonably determine is necessary to permit the CONTRACTOR to perform in light of the effects of the Unavoidable Event.

If an Unavoidable Event occurs which, in the TOWN's reasonable determination, makes the performance of the Agreement impossible without the expenditure of additional TOWN funds, the TOWN may, at its option, elect to terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice.

### ARTICLE 4 - PAYMENTS TO THE CONTRACTOR

- 4.1 The compensation due to the CONTRACTOR shall be paid in the amounts, and in the manner set forth on **Exhibit C**, attached hereto.
- 4.2 The CONTRACTOR will bill the TOWN at the completion of the work unless otherwise provided on **Exhibit C**, with one or more invoices broken down to show the quantity of work performed and the percentage of the entire project completed, categories and amount of reimbursable expenses (if any) and provide such supporting data as may be required by the TOWN.
- 4.3 The TOWN will pay the CONTRACTOR upon review and approval of such invoices by the TOWN or its designee.
- 4.4 This engagement may be subject to budgetary restrictions which may limit the total amount of funds available for the Work. Accordingly, unless otherwise stated on **Exhibit C**, the

TOWN will not be obligated to pay any amount in excess of the maximum project amount without the express written approval of the TOWN.

- 4.5 The CONTRACTOR and its sub-contractors shall not be compensated for any services involved in preparing changes that are required for additional work that should have been anticipated by the CONTRACTOR in the preparation of the documents, as reasonably determined by the TOWN.

#### **ARTICLE 5 – TERMINATION**

- 5.1 This Agreement may be terminated, with cause, by either the TOWN or CONTRACTOR, upon written notice given by the non-defaulting party. For the purposes of this provision, "cause" shall include the failure of a party to fulfill its material duties hereunder in a timely and proper manner.
- 5.2 The TOWN shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for its convenience and without cause upon ten (10) days written notice.
- 5.3 Following termination of this Agreement, the parties shall be relieved of all further obligations hereunder except:
- (a) unless the TOWN terminates for cause under paragraph 5.1, in which event the TOWN shall be under no obligation to make any payments to CONTRACTOR except for those services satisfactorily provided, the TOWN shall remain responsible for payments for the services satisfactorily performed and, unless this Agreement is for a lump-sum, expenses of CONTRACTOR reasonably accrued prior to the effective date of the notice of termination in compliance with this Agreement (less the value of any claims of the TOWN), all as determined by the TOWN in its sole discretion, but for no other amounts, including, without limitation, claims for lost profits on Work not performed; and
  - (b) The CONTRACTOR shall remain liable for any damages, expenses or liabilities arising under this Agreement (including its indemnity obligations) with respect to WORK performed pursuant to the Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 6 - INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION**

- 6.1 The CONTRACTOR agrees to indemnify and save the TOWN harmless from any and all manner of suits, claims, or demands arising out of any errors, omissions or negligence by CONTRACTOR (including all its employees, agents and independent contractors) in performing the Work, or any breach of the terms of this Agreement by such CONTRACTOR and shall reimburse the TOWN for any and all costs, damages and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, which the TOWN pays or becomes obligated to pay, by reason of such activities, or breach. The provisions of this Section 6.1 shall be in addition to, and shall not be construed as a limitation on, any other legal

rights of the TOWN with respect to the CONTRACTOR, in connection with this Agreement, and shall survive termination or expiration of this Agreement. The CONTRACTOR shall not be liable for errors or omissions by the design engineer.

- 6.2 Before commencing work the CONTRACTOR shall obtain and maintain at its expense and from insurance companies of a Best Rating of A or better, which are licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, insurance as set forth below. If the CONTRACTOR is permitted to sub-contract a material portion of the Work or is otherwise identifying a third party to perform services for the Town, the CONTRACTOR shall assure that such subcontractor or other third party also has such insurance.
- (a) Workers' Compensation, covering the obligations of the CONTRACTOR in accordance with applicable Workers' Compensation or Benefits laws.
  - (b) Commercial General Liability Insurance on an occurrence basis with a combined single limit of not less than \$1 million. Coverage is to include premises and operations, coverage for liability of subcontractors. The policy shall contain an endorsement stating that the aggregate limits will apply separately to the work being performed under this Agreement.
  - (c) Automobile Liability Insurance of not less than \$1 million combined single limit covering owned, hired, and non-hired vehicle use.
  - (d) Errors and Omissions Insurance of not less than \$2 million per claim. The coverage shall be in force from the date of execution of the Agreement to the date when all design and construction work is completed and accepted by the TOWN, unless, however, the policy is a "claims made policy," in which event the policy shall remain effective and in full force for a period of six (6) years after completion of all design and construction work relating to the engagement.
  - (e) Such additional insurance as may be required to be carried by the CONTRACTOR by law.
  - (f) Such additional insurance as the TOWN may reasonably require, as set forth on **Exhibit A**.

CONTRACTOR shall maintain such insurance during the term of Agreement and give the TOWN twenty (20) days written notice of any change or cancellation of coverage. Each insurer providing policies hereunder shall waive its right to subrogate claims against the TOWN. The TOWN will be added as an additional named insured with respect to each such policy and such endorsement shall be reflected on a Certificate of Insurance to be delivered to the TOWN upon the execution of this Agreement and at such times thereafter as the TOWN may reasonably request.

## ARTICLE 7 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 7.1 Upon the expiration or the termination of this Agreement for any reason, all data, drawings, specifications, reports, estimates, summaries and other work product which have been accumulated, developed or prepared by the CONTRACTOR (whether completed or in process) shall become the property of the TOWN upon payment for such to the CONTRACTOR and the CONTRACTOR shall immediately deliver or otherwise make available all such material to the TOWN.
- 7.2 Neither party may assign, transfer, or otherwise dispose of this Agreement or any of its rights hereunder or otherwise delegate any of its duties hereunder without the prior written consent of the other party, and any such attempted assignment or other disposition without such consent shall be invalid and of no force and effect.
- 7.3 Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, any decision or action made by the TOWN relating to this Agreement, its operation, amendment or termination, shall be made by the Board, Committee or Authority of the TOWN specified in the initial paragraph of this Agreement, unless specifically authorized or delegated by a lawful vote of such body.
- 7.4 This Agreement, together with **Exhibit A** (Contractor, Term), **Exhibit B** (Scope of Work), **Exhibit C** (Payments), **Exhibit D** (Tax Compliance Certificate) and **Exhibit E** (Certificate of Non-Collusion), and any additional exhibits referred to therein, constitute the entire agreement of TOWN and CONTRACTOR with respect to the matters set forth therein and may not be changed, amended, modified or terms waived except by a writing signed by TOWN and CONTRACTOR. If there is any conflict among the terms set forth in the body of this Agreement and the terms or provisions set forth in **Exhibit A, Exhibit B, or Exhibit C**, or in any other attachment hereto, or in any other document or law incorporated by reference herein, such conflict shall be resolved by giving precedence to the party's address above by certified mail, return receipt requested Terms or provisions contained in the following documents in accordance with the following hierarchy, with the topmost document of the highest priority:
- A. Applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations.
  - B. Amendments to this Agreement, if any.
  - C. **Exhibits A, B, and C.**
  - D. This Agreement.
  - E. Any other attachments to this Agreement.

To the extent the conflict is not resolved by applying the above hierarchy, the conflict shall be resolved in a manner that results in the highest quantity and best quality of goods and services to the TOWN.

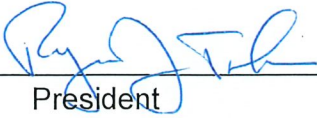
- 7.5 This Agreement is governed by the law of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts and shall be construed in accordance therewith. The parties agree that exclusive jurisdiction for any action arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall lie with the state and federal courts having jurisdiction over the county and state in which the Town is located and the parties hereby irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any objection which they may now or hereafter have to the venue of any proceeding brought in such location and further irrevocably waive any claims that any such proceeding has been brought in an inconvenient forum.
- 7.6 Any notices required or allowed shall be sent to the person's address above by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 7.7 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, this Agreement is subject to the appropriation and availability of funds.


*[Signatures to Follow]*

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

**CONTRACTOR: ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS GROUP, LLC**

**TOWN OF NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS:**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
President

  
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C. Elizabeth Gibson  
Town Manager

DATE: August 18, 2022

DATE: 8/18/22

Approved as to Funds Available:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Brian E. Turbitt  
Director of Municipal Finance

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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*FOR TOWN OF NANTUCKET USE ONLY*

Funding ORG/OBJ(s):

Purchase Order #:

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**CONTRACT EXHIBIT A**  
**CONTRACTOR, TERM, COMPLETION**

1. **Name of Contractor:** Environmental Partners Group, LLC
2. **State of Incorporation:** Maryland
3. **Principal Office Address:** 1900 Crown Colony Dr Ste 402, Quincy, MA, 02169
4. **Person, Department, or Committee, if any, to whom CONTRACTOR reports (§ 2.2):** Paul Berard, Department of Public Works, Nantucket, MA
5. **Term of Agreement (§3.1):** 2 years
6. **Completion Date (§3.2):** July 31, 2025
7. **Additional Insurance Coverage (§6.2(e)):**

**CONTRACT EXHIBIT B**  
**SCOPE OF SERVICES, DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE**

*[Please See Below]*